

The Honorable Michael K. Powell
Chairman
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554

Dear Chairman Powell:

Greetings! I am writing in support of the DIRECTV and EchoStar merger. I believe that the combination of these two satellite companies will provide greater choice to the consumer, particularly by creating a company with the spectrum to match cable's offerings. Also in particular, I believe that an expanded internet service offering will help to stabilize prices that our local cable company, Comcast, is charging for its broadband service.

The combination of DISH Network and DIRECTV does NOT reduce competition, so long as a nationwide rate card is employed. I feel that if both companies agree to this, they would not be able to offer an uncompetitive price in areas not served by cable. They would also need to demonstrate the value of their offerings to all consumers to justify any rate hikes.

Sincerely,

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