

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

Dear Chairman Powell:

This letter is in regards to the echostar direct tv merger. This has become a ridiculous wait for services that should have been provided long ago. I live in a small town. We do not have good TV reception or a decent cable service. Even after this merger is approved it will probably be a couple of years before the changes go in effect. Get the bureacrats moving. There is no good reason to oppose this merger unless someone is afraid it will hurt his own profits. The home satellite viewers act that was passed has actually made it harder to get a waiver to view distant channels on the satellite. I am trying to get the testing done to prove that I don't have a class B signal. I cannot believe that it is this hard to get a simple service. The legislation that was passed was not written to support the people that do not live within big cities where the tv channels are broadcast on satellite. If this merger is approved it will make the satellite home viewers work better for those of us in this country that are in the smaller market areas.

Thank You,

Sincerely,

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