

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

Dear Chairman Powell:

I am writing to urge you NOTto support the pending merger of EchoStar and HUGHES, the parent company of DIRECTV. I believe the merger will increase video and broadband choices for consumers like me.

The combined company will be a much stronger competitor to cable operators by offering local TV channels via satellite in every market in the United States. In addition, the merger will ensure that affordable high-speed Internet access service via satellite is available to Americans nationwide. This merger would be a travesty of justice because of hughe'spolicies with direct PC which I was happy to repace with cable intern

I appreciate your consideration of my views. please do not allow hughes ruin dish network through this merger.

Sincerely,

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