

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 NOT to support the pending merger of EchoStar and HUGHES, the parent company of DIRECTV. Although I am not currently a DIRECTV customer, I have been in the past and am now a Dishnet customer. I believe the merger will increase cost of satellite programming to us, the customer, and be a negative influence on customer service. Having dealt with both Dishnet and Directv I much prefer to deal with Directv. The customer service is much better.

The merger of the two is a monopoly. Comparing satellite programming to cable programming is like comparing apples to bananas.

I appreciate your consideration of my views

Sincerely,

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