



# Pawnee Nation of Oklahoma

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The Honorable Michael K. Powell, Chairman  
Federal Communications Commission  
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Washington, D.C. 220554

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Federal Communications Commission  
Office of the Secretary

Re: FCC Docket No.01-348

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Dear Chairman Powell:

I am writing on behalf of Pawnee Nation of Oklahoma to express our strong support for the pending merger involving EchoStar Communications Corporations and the Hughes Electronics Corporation.

As a tribal community, access to the best communications an information technology is critical to our bridging the digital divide across Indian land, if approved, we believe the merger will swerve as an importantly, have the available spectrum to offer greater diversity in programming to the benefit of all Native Americans.

I urge you to approve the merge.

Sincerely,

  
Robert L. Chapman, President  
Pawnee Business Council

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