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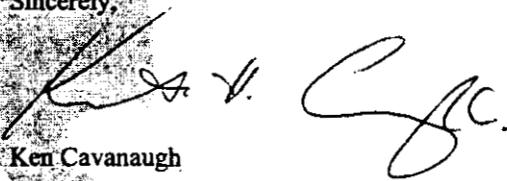
Dear Mr. Powell:

I am deeply concerned about the proposed merger of EchoStar and Hughes. I think this is obviously bad for the consumer, since the merged company will have a monopoly on satellite television in the US.

As a DirecTV customer, I am against this merger.

Sincerely,

Ken Cavanaugh



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