

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

Dear Chairman Powell:

As a customer of DIRECTV, I am writing to urge you to NOT support the pending merger of EchoStar and HUGHES, the parent company of DIRECTV. I believe the merger will DEcrease video and broadband choices for consumers like me.

The combined company will MONOPILIZE SAT. TV AND A stronger FOOT HOLD to cable operators by ELIMINATING COMPETION..

Broadband access to the Internet is not available to me at this time. If the merger is approved, the new company will NOT be able to provide me with affordable high-speed Internet access via satellite ,AT A COMPETITVE PRICE along with the other 40 million American households who do not have affordable high-speed Internet access now. IT WON'T HELP OUR QUALITY EITHER.

I appreciate your consideration of my views.

Sincerely,

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