

Sirs,

I am writing to request your denial of the proposed sale of Rainbow DBS assets to Echostar. I have been a customer of Echostar for several years now and have found them, although comparable to cable, somewhat lacking as far as HD technology goes. They (Echostar) do not seem to respond to customer requests for new HD programming choices. I signed with Voom (Rainbow) about 2 months ago and have found them to have the most diverse group of programming around. Since the Voom install, I have hardly utilized my Echostar system. I still have both systems until the fate of the Voom service is determined. If Voom survives, I will be staying with them as they provide a better programming line-up and continue to push the HD industry forward by broadcasting the most HD channels of any DBS provider. If the equipment in question is indeed sold to Echostar, I do not foresee them using it to better their programming, but only to eliminate a rival DBS company. Competition is the only driver that will push this technology forward and reduce costs to broadcasters and consumers. I ask that you please take this under advisement in your decision.

Thank you,
Chris Snodgrass