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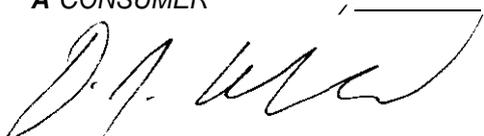
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This is follow-up to email sent March 22, 2007, regarding XM/Sirius proposed merger. A PDF file of that email communication is enclosed.

**SUBJECT:** Consumers do NOT perceive satellite radio mergers as monopolies (or even potential monopolies) due to their infancy, insignificance and substantial alternative media competition (streaming, HD, etc, etc, etc, etc).

**Anna Eshoo:** why are you and your constituents wasting our time and money under the guise of looking out for the consumers' good on such a potentially insignificant issue (note *intentional* absence of question mark).

Sincerely,  
A CONSUMER



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**Subject:** Satellite Radio-MONOPOLY??!

Mr. Kevin J. Martin  
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Kevin,

This email is in reference to the proposed XM/Sirius satellite radio merger. First, let me get this out up front: we are shareholders.

Normally, I have made it a practice of being politically (diplomatically?) correct. For sake of brevity in these communications, I will be blunt. Democrats are living up to their anti-"*big business*" and mergers reputation by vehemently objecting to this merger (seemingly - to a majority of voters - for political reasons).

I promised to be to the point - you're busy, so are we. How would this be a monopoly (*a fustian question only - not open for discussion*). If approved, it comes down to this: **FREE ENTERPRISE/FREEDOM OF CHOICE. In the unlikely event that we should end up disliking the "new" satellite radio's service (policies, customer satisfaction and . . . OH, prices!) then we simply cancel service.** Guess who suffers should this hypothetical chain of events (customer cancellations) happen. Hint: **NOT** the subscribers! Another way of looking at it . . . UH, we can live without our satellite radios.

**FREEDOM OF CHOICE:** democrats seem to have forgotten that. Many a LARGE organization has been buried in the sea of bankruptcies by overlooking the power of the consumer. Again, I don't know of many people (and we know *MANY*) that cannot live without their satellite radio.

I've made my point.

*Now, let's see. What's our next "choice" of "entertainment?" Streaming video/music/news to my cell phones? Maybe HD radio (oops! Forgot - the major network HD radios are in competition with Satellite AND, any other type of alternative broadcast media). Nah, on second thought I think I'll just do as many of my acquaintances have done - forget the satellite/HD radio, etc, get a better stereo in my next vehicle, listen to the local stations (that provide us with better local coverage!) and my CD player!*

This seemingly sardonic message is very serious in its intent. It is hard to believe that democrats are blatantly wasting the taxpayers' "*contributions*" with such a worthless obstruction. All of us (all the way from the average housewife to senior corporate managers) are scratching our heads over the democrats' ineffectual use of our time and money over what none of us can even remotely envision as a monopoly.

Yes, we're shareholders in Sirius, but we'll sell our paltry 2,000 shares, if would mean that democrats would get

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their noses out of such an insignificant, unproductive issue.

Sincerely,  
*A former Democrat (now a registered independent - since B. Clanton)*

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