

Dear FCC, I have been a Sirius subscriber for nearly 3 years, and an XM subscriber for the previous 2. Normal radio has become unlistenable, with far too many commercials and content that does not stimulate the mind. Satellite radio has made my 1 hour commute each way to work a pleasure. In no way would this proposed merger cause any monopolistic issues, as I know I would still have my iPod, standard radio, and many other options available to me for my listening pleasure.

The combined systems and content would provide for improved coverage and increased content while allowing for consumers to pick the content they would desire to pay for. I fully support this merger provided there are conditions imposed on the combined company that prevent price increases for standard programming, and allow for the selection of individual channels for a reduced fee. Both of these proposals have been offered by the CEO of Sirius as acceptable protections for consumers. Ultimately, reduced fees and finer channel selections would allow satellite radio to become an option for more consumers, therefore increasing its competition with free radio, ultimately benefiting both technologies. An example of this can be observed in the free-TV vs. cable markets, where pay services ultimately are true competitors to the broadcast providers.

Please approve the merger and do not fall victim to the Viacom, CBS, and ClearChannel propaganda that only continues to provide for the profit of their companies.

Regards,

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