

Please stop the proposed merger of Sirius and XM Satellite Radio. We do not need another monopoly in this country. Regardless of what the two entities are promising, there will invariably be an increase in subscription rates if this merger is allowed to proceed. And the combined "buying power" of a merged satellite radio company would result in virtually all important sports and entertainment events being broadcast on satellite radio instead of free radio, thus disenfranchising millions of listeners.

The FCC wisely required that there always be at least two competing satellite radio companies when Sirius and XM were originally licensed. There is no reason to abandon that premise now just because these companies wish to provide better return on investment to their shareholders.

Please oppose this merger.

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