

This merger will be very bad for consumers as it reduces overall competition and will drive up prices. Cable companies essentially have a monopoly on wired services in a given area. The only competition available for programming is from satellite. Giving Comcast more control over channels would surely hurt the other providers further strengthening an area-based Comcast monopoly and driving up prices for those of us that choose not to use Comcast (and highly likely for those that do use Comcast).