

Thank you for your time. I am writing some personal comments to add to this form letter. This is the effect of allowing Media Corporations to buy unlimited media outlets and the result of the FCC hearings that occurred in December 2007. The FCC allowed Corporations to purchase any media outlet that they wanted. The law is unfortunate in that the result we see today is an extension of that ruling that would allow Corporate giants like Comcast to grow at the expense of the public and the employees of this corporation.

I lobbied and petitioned my Federal representatives and, then FCC Chair Kevin Roberts, to not allow unlimited growth in this industry due to the FCC's 1987 reversal of the Fairness Doctrine (Federal Radio Commission, 1928. FCC, The Mayflower decision 1941. FCC, 1949). I think that the extension of capitalism to derive a profit at the expense of the obligation to the public good has proven itself to be a falsehood. The public's right to know the facts of an issue are guaranteed by the 1st Amendment and cannot be abridged by the corporation's right to make a profit. The issue here is the worst accumulation of the fairness Doctrine. The right of the corporation to extract a fee for information that the public has a right to know and the corporation to deny good service by denying complaints, charging exorbitant fees for services and attacking it's own employees for organizing to gain a better workplace condition. These issues have not been resolved. These issues are going to co!

ntinue until we re-establish the fairness doctrine and refuse to allow corporations to own more than one media outlet per city. This would again be the mechanism that would help to insure that the needs of the community are being met and that the corporation does not view the community as their own personal property. Thank you for your time.

I am writing to voice my opposition to the proposed Comcast-NBC merger.

A merger of this size would give one company unprecedented control over media content and platforms. It would allow the largest cable and Internet access provider to control one of the nation's largest media companies. It would also give Comcast-NBC an incentive to prioritize its own online content over other content and stifle the free flow of Internet traffic.

That's too much power for one company, and it threatens competition and innovation at a moment when new forms of online video delivery are emerging.

This merger would negatively affect competition and prompt a new wave of media consolidation as other companies scramble to match Comcast-NBC's market power, making these problems even worse.

A bigger, more powerful Comcast will do nothing to address the pressing need for better media in our communities and our democracy. The FCC must stop this merger.

