

Despite numerous concerned citizens in recent weeks filing individual comments critical of the Verizon SpectrumCo deal (with each citizen filing one comment) with the FCC on the Verizon SpectrumCo proceeding (12-4) about the danger of the marketing agreements Big Red has struck with cable companies to resell each other's services undermining competition and threatening to dividie the Internet in two -- wireless for Verizon and fixed broadband, phone and TV for the cable companies the FCC seems intent on approving the the Verizon Cable deals now despite the concerns of the JOE. This is a mistake and wrong for consumers. I know the FCC thinks with Verizon's deal with T-Mobile any negative issues in relation to the license transfer to Verizon from cable have been negated. However, even if the spectrum concentration issues are resolved and they would still have 30 MHz of AWS spectrum but excess spectrum in some markets where they are not giving T-Mobile spectrum.

Also I understand DOJ might be willing to bless the Verizon Cable deals now because Verizon and Comcast agreed to tough conditions on the JOE forbidding them from implementing it in places where Verizon plans to expand FIOS or already have FIOS. This should include places where Verizon offers standard DSL. Also please investigate Verizon New York Inc.'s application to do discontinue basic telecommunications services and Big Red's (Verizon Wireless) application to discontinue interconnected VOIP services.

Please reconsider allowing these deals or put even tougher conditions on them.

We need competition, not monopoly. Please do not allow these types of mergers that benefit the corporate executives rather than being good for the people of the country.

I oppose this verizon spectrum deal. Your department is to look out for the consumer, not to allow a big business come in and allow them to ultimatly destroy jobs, end competition, and raise prices. I can not believe your department would allow this. I thought you were for the "little people." Issues and approvals like this, make me sick to be a resident of NYS. No wonder we are losing our middle class. Please consider how many people this will indirectly hurt.

Between loss of jobs, no choice in competition and increased prices. Unreal.. You are letting a multi BILLION \$\$ company rule the pocketbooks of many people without even taking into consideration the public feedback, all of which I have read has been negative!

The internet and cable need to be affordable to the middle class.

Please, please, please look out for once for the consumer and jobs in our country. Before long we will not be able to feed our families or send our children to college because all of the jobs will be in another country or very low wage in this country. Please think of us

Protect consumer choice do not allow Verizon to team up with the cable companies it will be extremely bad for the competitiveness that keeps prices down. There is no reason the largest cable companies should be taking up with cellphone companies out grants then too much power and control over media and consumer services.

Stop the deal! If the deal between Verizon Wireless and large cable companies goes through, it will end up costing consumers like me much more than the price of your cable bill.

The lack of cable competition will send your cable and Internet rates up, but the hidden costs will be even bigger. With no competition, we'll lose the freedom to choose between providers. And with no incentive to keep up with improvements, communities will lose the chance to connect to a high-speed future.

Stop Verizon and cable deal. People need jobs in this country. And we need to keep the market competitive.

Do not pass the Verizon- Cable deal...ANTITRUST!!! No competition and due to this possible deal Verizon is neglecting the copper infrastructure hoping to get everyone on LTE!

In 1984 the monopoly of (ATT) was broken up. now the government is trying to recreate the same type monopoly in times where the consumer is in serious

trouble.our good paying jobs are at risk and also the cost of these services. i am asking you please do not allow the american people to suffer more pain.

*Allowing Verizon and the other big cable companies to sell each others' services would mean worse service and higher bills for consumers. It'll deepen the digital divide, cutting off poor and rural communities for high speed access. It'll also mean thousands of lost jobs.*

*Verizon and the other cable giants Verizon and the cable giants want their monopoly deal to go through to make life easier for them. Instead of having to compete against each other for our business, they'll just be able to raise prices and leave consumers without another choice. The deal would funnel money out of the pockets of consumers and workers into the pockets of cable and wireless executives.*

*With no competition, the rural communities where Verizon has already been reluctant to extend its best services will be left behind. Everywhere else, we'll see higher costs for worse service. Verizon and cable executives will surely increase their profits and bonuses, but the only thing consumers would get out of this deal are higher prices, fewer choices, and fewer job opportunities.*

No to Verizon. No big cable deal.

Stop the Verizon cable deal. It is bad for the consumer and will cost Communication Workers jobs.

Please work for the public interest and stop the deal between Verizon Wireless and Big Cable. We need honest competition not another monopoly.

Please don't do this it is extremely bad for consumers because they will have a quindestintial monopoly on internet access and cable which would allow them to jack up prices exponentially and force consumers to pay much more then they need to at a time when the economy is bad any higher bills like this going to corporations takes money away from them spending money on small buisnesses and promoting the economy it could also make it more likely for them to go into debt

I oppose the cable spectrum/verizon deal Which will kill competition and drive up prices for the consumer & I might Mention that verizon is deliberately neglecting their copper infrastructure to drive customers to the competitors so they don't have to upgrade or maintain the network. And they ran a smear campaign

against employees when they were on strike claiming sabotage when they are neglecting their own network, this is criminal!

For reasons already known, I (Shawn McEwen) urge you to not allow this deal between Verizon and the various cable TV companies to proceed.  
Thank You.

Stop the up-coming monopoly on wireless and Cable company mergers! This will cost us consumers far too much money if this is allowed to happen! Many of us will have to drop the services which, are barely affordable now!  
Thank you for serious thought and stop the mergers!

I am voicing my concern towards the action of Verizon and big cable companies merger because it will damage consumers right to pick a provider that is affordable during these financial crisis. People who work and struggle to pay for their utilities shouldn't have to suffer more just because companies want to profit more in their pockets while middle class citizens have to pay extra on their cable or satellite bill. These actions can cause issues with not only the consumers but the provider as well. Increasing your pockets will not save your company quarterly quotas but decrease in your consumers upon making such action. Please take the time to consider and not proceed in these actions. Let us have the freedom to pick among providers and allow us to have service for a reasonable price.

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Stop the Verizon big cable deal- This information monopoly will continue to funnel money out of the pockets of consumers and into the pockets of cable and wireless executives.

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Help the struggling middle class keep at least one luxury in this tough time- not the CEO's! We NEED the break more than they WANT it.

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