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Please do not approve the AT&T and DirectTV Merger.

There are only two sources of cableTV services in my area, DirectTV and DishTV. There is only one source of Internet services in my area, AT&T Uverse. By approving the merger you will further increase AT&T's monopoly in my local community. With AT&T's monopoly on this region, it will further increase the digital divide for my community.

AT&T promises that it will increase the Internet connection to millions of houses. What has AT&T done to increase community Internet with Federal Erate funds? Hasn't AT&T made this promise before? I have AT&T Uverse and for \$45 a month the fastest Internet I can receive is a max of 6mbs. A max of 6mbs which is really 5.2mbs. If I download a HD movie from iTunes it takes about 3 to 4 hours to download it. I can drive to the Apple Campus and back before my movie finishes downloading.

If AT&T was doing this merger to provide better customer offerings, then why wouldn't AT&T expand the Fiber network with the 48.5 Billion it is reporting spending on the DirectTV deal. That would benefit the public good, the President of the United States mission, and provide access to education and job opportunities nationwide. The problem is AT&T would rather monopolize than innovate. AT&T strategic thinking is still pre 1982 mode before the Federal government broke apart the Bell System to anti-trust lawsuit.

AT&T's monopoly is in the best interest of AT&T not consumers. Please don't approve this deal and let competition and innovation lead consumer's choices.