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Recently comments by comcast executives regarding RFD-TV indicated that they felt that because they were primarily an "urban cluster" provider that dropping RFD-TV from their programming assumes RFD-TV's programming would not be of interest to urban viewers. I beg to differ. I live in The Bronx. I regularly enjoy many of RFD-TV's programs such as Classic Trains, Classic Tractors, bluegrass and country music programs and even He-Haw and Mayberry RFD reruns.

I'm commenting in the Direct TV/AT&T filing section because I am Direct TV subscriber. A very diverse choice of networks and channels is one of the reasons I enjoy Direct TV. My local wired provider Cablevision doubtlessly does not offer RFD-TV for same shortsighted reason cited by the previously mentioned Comcast executive.

Mergers if approved should not be permitted to be a source of limiting access to a diverse programming suite for all, in all of their subscriber areas. In fact if an FCC ruling in favor of the mergers that would allow providers limit diverse programming to subscribers wherever they may reside the mergers should not be approved.

Insuring access to a diverse set cultural and social programming for all Americans wherever they reside should be a primary goal of the FCC. If this cannot be guaranteed the FCC should rule against the mergers. The mergers if approved should require increased access to diverse programming, not the opposite.