

Comments concerning the merger.

1. Require the companies involved to maintain the current independent channels. Do not allow any dropping of channels particularly independent rural channels such as RFD TV. Just because Al Gore sold his to a middle east company, we should not lose the American company that we enjoy viewing.

2. I am currently a subscriber with Direct TV. It is my understanding that for 6 years RFD TV has been trying to contract with AT & T. I do not want to lose the opportunity to view RFD TV channel. It has given me an opportunity to learn about the different parts of our country in addition to viewing old country shows. California Bountiful has given me new visions concerning the products I purchase in the store. Texas Country Reporter has made me want to visit Texas. Orion Samuelson and Max Armstrong keep me informed on farm things with This Week in Agri-Business. As a social studies teacher, these shows are great for students to learn from. Hee Haw is one of my favorite shows.

3. Please do not let the merger take the RFD TV channel from my life. Require them to keep our independent rural channel. Don't fall into the trap of catering to the Middle East people to make them feel welcome. The United States is my home and has been my home all of my life and I feel our rural independent channel is a patriotic part of our country and we should do everything in our power to keep it available.