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To Members of the AT&T Direct TV Merger Committee:

I was very distressed this morning to hear about the proposed merger between Comcast Cable and AT&T. I would like to strongly advocate for RURAL TV options to continue. We have had Direct TV services for approximately 3 years. The majority of evenings we watch RFD-TV and occasionally the Inspiration channel which has recently re-appeared for us as an option. We are country people with Christian values who enjoy watching wholesome TV. My husband is a team roper and we frequently watch "The Tyler Magnus" show on RFD. We also enjoy many of the Rodeo and other Horse Show options as well. This is our lifestyle!

Please do not make corporate decisions which will limit or destroy the availability of rural TV options. There is a large population of Americans in the US who live this lifestyle and enjoy this type of entertainment. IF RFD-TV is no longer available as well as some of our other favorite channels like GMC and the Inspiration Channel, we will be forced to drop our Direct TV programming. We work hard to pay our bills and the cost of having Direct TV is a luxury for our family. We went without TV for many years and will return to that- if there are no acceptable, wholesome options for us as a family to enjoy.

Thank you for your time.

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