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This merger is reminiscent of the trusts and monopolies during the gilded era in the US, in which the rich and poor were separated by a wide margin. These companies claim they do not compete and would therefore not be a monopoly, but the current state of internet providers can already be called an oligopoly or a trust, in which a small number of providers have agreed to not infringe on each other's territory, allowing them to dictate supply and demand as they choose, and provide poor quality service and sub-par internet speeds.

This is unacceptable, if the FCC doesn't put the peoples best interest's first, rather than the companies lining their pockets, tensions will rise dramatically around the country.