

I am a long time subscriber of DBS services. I have used both DirectTV and Dish Network and am currently a very happy Dish customer.

I strongly support the proposed merger as I feel it will allow for greatly increased service quality and quantity. The current requirements for DBS providers to transmit local stations has noticeably impacted the signal quality as the providers attempt to force more signal through limited bandwidth. The merger effectively doubles the bandwidth available to the combined organization allowing Dish Network to return to its previous quality.

In my opinion, if the merger fails both systems will end up providing inferior service in the effort to meet FCC requirements.