

I strongly urge you to deny this transfer. The result would be to increase costs and remove any incentive for improving programming and service, hurting the consumer particularly in the rural areas. These two companies created this industry with their eyes open, don't bail them out of a tough situation. Force them to improve their systems, their service, and their programming in order to capture the market that they originally forecasted. That is what our free market system is all about. They should not be able to escape at the expense of the customers that they have attracted, their employees that will no doubt face layoffs, or their subcontractors or suppliers that are dependent upon their business. Thank you