

I strongly OPPOSE the DirectTV and EchoStar merger. I am an EchoStar subscriber now, and their service and broadcast quality has greatly deteriorated over the past six months. I am considering switching to DirectTV to get improved quality (EchoStar is bad and very poor due to over-compression and software issues • they used to have a fairly good picture, but as the merger approaches they have gone to pot) • with the merger there will be a monopoly (as with our computers • Micorsquish• the only provider) and no incentive to improve quality and service.

The EchoStar advertising is not ethical and their support is poor, and seems to be getting worse • is this a sign of things to come (as a monopoly)? I moved from TCI/ATT because of their poor quality and service (over-compression, outages) to EchoStar (when they at least had a quality picture • before adding all the channels and over-compressing) .

We need more competition in the US and the world, not less. What would happen if there were only one automobile company • would you like to see that? Then why would one satellite TX provider be a good thing?

Regards,

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