

The Honorable Michael K. Powell
Chairman
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554

Dear Chairman Powell:

I am a current dish network subscriber and I want to express my support for the merger. My apartment complex stopped offering free cable and the local cable provider tried to get me to pay \$40 for BASIC service. I was able to use Dish network for MUCH less a month, I get 100's of channels and HBO!! Further, if the merger is not allowed to pass, I worry that the VOD offering of cable will allow them to force satellite television companies out of business and then increase the rates even more!! In addition, I know many people that use two way satellite as the only option for high speed internet and they really appreciate the availibility. Without the merger going through, I believe that broadband access will not be as widely available. Please take these concerns seriously as you weigh your decision in the role that you may play in the acceptance of the merger proposal. Thank you!

Sincerely,

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