

I have just received notice that the Select Choice programming package will no longer be available to new subscribers, but will be available to current subscribers for \$3.00 more per month.

I feel obligated to express my frustration with the limitation of choice in programming packages resulting from this change. From reviewing the Dish Network programming packages, they continue to have a package similar to Select Choice available to new and current subscribers, for \$2.00 less even.

With the pending merger of Directv and Dish, is this a preview of what is to come: less choice in programming packages? At least now, with two different satellite providers, I still have a choice of which provider to use. Since I feel the Dish programming packages and the pricing is more appealing, I would be inclined to switch to Dish. However, knowing that a merger is possible in the future, I currently choose not to switch.

With competition in the Cable industry being encouraged, to increase subscribers choices, the pending merger of Directv and Dish seems to be encouraging less choice. The elimination of your Select Choice programming package also seems to prove that point.

Thank you for your time and consideration.