

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

Dear Chairman Powell:

I do not agree with the merger of Hughes and echostar as I personally feel that this would lead to a monopoly that would raise prices and subject the public to only one choice.

The lack of choices is always a bad thing, you become a victim to these monopolies because they have no competition and this allows them to set their practices and prices to whatever they see fit.

I would much rather see goverment regulations and incentatives that promate the spread of cable-DSL and other new expading technologies.

I think that this type of approach is more to the good of the consumer and america than to trust the expansion of Broadband and Tv services to the greed of one giant company such as Echostar.

As an example, look at Electric-phone and water companies who have no competition.

The public is at the mercy of these companies and by allowing Echostar to become a monopoly like this, we the public will suffer a simular fate at their hands.

thank you,

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Sincerely,

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