

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

Dear Chairman Powell:

Please don't allow this merger to go through. It will virtually create a monopoly for Echostar in the satellite TV business. Having two separate companies such as Dish and Directv gives customers a choice. If the merger goes through, that choice, for all practical purposes will be lost. This merger could make Echostar the Microsoft of the satellite tv business. Having separate companies encourages innovation, customer satisfaction and overall better total quality management.

Sincerely,

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