

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

Dear Chairman Powell:

I am a Dish Network subscriber. I strongly support the proposed EchoStar/Direct TV merger. At my location in Pickaway County I get poor over-the-air reception of local broadcast channels. My only available cable service (Adelphia) offers a poor variety of stations and faces a very uncertain future due to its financial difficulties. The proposed merger would allow me to receive local stations over my dish receiver and would open the door to broadband internet access at my rural location. I urge your support for this merger which will greatly enhance my television and internet access.

Sincerely,

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