

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

Dear Chairman Powell:

I am writing in support of the Echostar/Directv merger.

This merger would not be a monopoly as the cable companies would have you believe, but it would be good competition for them. Only the consumer can benefit from this merger.

Poor picture quality, high rates, and awful customer service have been trademarks of the cable companies for decades. It is now time for them to wake up.

I was a Directv customer for years, but now I live in an apartment complex where I cannot receive a signal. Being back to cable is a nightmare. The picture is terrible and my channel choices are awful.

I hope you agree to this merger. I just want to say in the years I was a Directv subscriber I had very few problems, but when I did, they were there to help me in any way they could

Thank you for your time and consideration on this matter.

Sincerely,

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