

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

Dear Chairman Powell:

I am writing to urge your support for the merger of EchoStar and Dish Network. I live in a rural part of Arizona and have poor reception of Tucson channels (which are my 'local' channels) even with a good antenna and signal booster. It would be a great benefit to me to be able to receive the Tucson channels via satellite.

In addition, I have been informed that there will be no broadband internet access in my area for the foreseeable future, 'if ever'. The proposed merger would allow me access to broadband that will otherwise be unavailable. Please support this merger. People in Arizona need the benefits the merger will bring.

Sincerely,

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