

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

Dear Chairman Powell:

Gentlemen,

I am a current subscriber of Dish Network TV and I strongly urge your support of the merger of Echostar and DIRECTV. I am a life long resident of Florida. The cable TV in our area is of very poor quality in audio, video and programing choices. I contacted them numerous times and they in effect said that they were not interested in upgrading the service or the equipment necessary to give adequate service.

We in rural counties and towns of smaller markets need a stronger competetor to the arrogant cable operators in able to be on equal footing with the major market cities. I have been subscribing to satellite service for over two years and have found them to be truly concerned about their service.

Please, please support this merger as this is in the best interest of competition and us many voters in 'TV' land.

Thanks and I will not forget your support.

Sincerely,

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