

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

Dear Chairman Powell:

I oppose this merger. It clearly eliminates any competition, the basis of any protection of consumer rates. There needs to be a a la carte selection of channels at minimal rates for those of us that the SAT Dish is the only means of receiving reception for television or otherwise. Dish used to have a ten channel pick for \$15 but eliminated it, thus forcing the consumer to select a 'package' for several hundred dollars a year.

Sincerely,

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