

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

Dear Chairman Powell:

I'm writing to urge you to support the proposed merger between EchoStar Communications and Hughes Electronics. I believe the merger is extremely important in that the larger satellite company will be competitive with cable companies. The new merged company will offer broadband service in competition with the local cable provider.

Sincerely,

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