

As a recent Dish Network subscriber, the only regret is not having local channels. This merger will be nothing but beneficial to all satellite subscribers, but especially to those of us in rural or secondary markets.

Pricing is always a concern, but I am confident that we will have even better pricing than before with more options, including local channels.

I realize the trend lately has been de-regulation but in my opinion that has done more harm than good. My power bill has gone up and so has our telephone bills. My cable bill was constantly increasing with little or no increase in selection and service.

I see this merger as a giant step in the right direction for all consumers. Not only for satellite subscribers, but it will make the cable companies become more competitive as well and thus help those customers.

I look forward to receiving my local channels soon via satellite. Thank you.