

I am writing to you regarding the potential merger of Echostar and DirectTV. As a current subscriber of the Dish Network, I feel that this merger will most definitely help the population of our area. Being a mostly rural area, our selection for television and internet access is very limited. By allowing homeowners to have a choice between cable and satellite, the consumer benefit will be enormous. And not only the consumers, but the local television stations will now receive additional viewers by being able to be better received by those many homes that already receive satellite and don't have an antenna strong enough to get their signal.

I request your support in this important initiative.