

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

Dear Chairman Powell:

This merger between DirectTV and Echostar stinks! Echo will not carry the YES network in Ny carrying Yankee games but Direct does. Echo says they can't negotiate with Fox Sports West2 in LA so they refuse to carry. But Direct does. Echo says the heck with the TRIO network which is great. Direct carries. Plus Direct programming is cheaper. If this merger goes thru, Ergen can thumb his nose at the public, carry whatever he wants and the public will have nowhere else to go. Monopolies are never good for consumers - and this would be a monopoly. Merger? BAD, BAD MOVE!

Sincerely,

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