

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

Dear Chairman Powell:

As a subscriber to Dish Network and a former subscriber to Direct TV I strongly encourage you to please support the merger of Dish and Direct TV.

I changed to satellite because of the much higher picture quality, ccustomer service and lower overall prices with an abundance of channel choices (i.e., foreign channels for my visiting inlaws). Cable can't cut it because of the constant rising prices.

Additionally I cannot get DSL or a cable modem for my internet connection. Satellite offers a broadband connection at a competitive price.

Again I urge you to allow these two companies to merge. It is a WIN WIN for the consumer as it will allow more HDTV programming to reach consumers who have taken the HD plunge (me).

Sincerely,

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