

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

Dear Chairman Powell:

I am writing to urge your support of the merger of EchoStar and DirectTV to allow more choices for television viewing. Currently I have no option other than Cable to get 'local' channels. I live in a rural area of Florida, but not 'rural enough' to get waivers for getting the networks. This merger will allow me an alternative to the seemingly ever increasing costs of cable.

Sincerely,

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