

As a cable and satellite subscriber I am looking forward to being able to discontinue cable service completely.

I subscribed to dish service several years ago when my cable carrier changed ownership, for the 4th time, and immediately dropped channels I wanted and added channels I did not want.

My cable service is terrible. All my neighbors complain to no avail. The cable service is a monopoly to one serving area. Why is one satellite service any different? By allowing satellite services to merge it makes it stronger and better able to compete with the monopoly cable company.

Maybe after the merger I will be able to get both Washington D.C. and Baltimore local service like I do now with cable. If cable can offer both local services, satellite should be able to do the same.

For some assinine reason you go by the Neilson rating structure which puts my zip code (21037) in the Baltimore serving area.

If you were to actually check the areas you would find out that the vast majority of people in this area are Wash. D.C. oriented, not Baltimore. We abut Prince Georges County which is able to get local Washington, D.C. service. If you doubt this check the subscriptions for the Wasington Post and Baltimore Sun newspapers.

let the merger go through. The cable comp[anies need the competition.