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Federal Communications Commission  
Office of Secretary

Dear Chairman Powell:

I am writing in support of the merger between EHOSTAR Communications and Hughes Electronics Corporation.

There are in my opinion several advantages this merger could provide: 1) More programming choices; 2) Access to both rural and urban areas in America; and 3) Lower costs to the consumer.

Again, there are numerous advantages to this merger, all of which are consumer friendly. Please support this merger.

Sincerely,



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