

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

Dear Chairman Powell:

i sent the pre prepared letter by echostar re: the merger but feel compelled to add a personal note to try to make the point that the current cable monopoly has bled us all for too long. the proposed improved satilite service is long overdue and for the federal government to restrict our use is obserd. i cannot recieve local television channels within CT (local news, sports, etc.)without basic cable and the dish network is not able to provide them to my family due to government intervention. please explain this logic to me. Thank you

Sincerely,

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