

I have subscribed to Dish Network for two years, after dumping the cable provider for poor, over-priced service. I want the merger of Echostar and Direct TV to be approved for the following reasons:

- A combined company will put them on equal footing with the major cable companies and allow them to negotiate better pricing
- The combined company will provide genuine competition for all cable companies nationwide, keeping prices down for everyone including cable subscribers
- Rural customers will finally have access to local programming, high-speed internet connections and HDTV, services that would otherwise not be available in the foreseeable future
- The one price structure for the entire nation guarantees that the combined company will offer fair pricing
- Dish is an excellent service provider with an outstanding product that everyone should have the opportunity to purchase

I encourage you to approve the merger!