

As a satellite subscriber, I am strongly in support of the proposed merger. It will be best for the consumer if satellite can compete fairly with cable, not to mention the local markets than can be served with hi-speed internet plus local station service.

As a former cable subscriber, I am here to say cable service is inferior in quality, shows rapidly rising price history, indifferent customer service, and in almost all areas is a tacit monopoly. If the merger is approved, there a strong probability of lower prices and better service from the Echostar/DirectTV partnership.

Thank you.