

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

Dear Chairman Powell:

A merger of two satellite programming providers would greatly increase the programming available to their subscribers. I especially look forward to an internet service provide via my existing satellite dish. Why? Because I live in a rural area. Cable is usually too expensive if the line is not near your home and broadcasted service can easily be interrupted by my surroundings. Therefore my neighbors and I have satellite dishes. Also due to our location is our poor internet capablities. We are too far from a DSL connection, so a phone line connection is needed. Since that is slow due to the FCC's regulations, an internet service from our existing satellite service would help us greatly. Thank you.

Sincerely,

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