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LETTER OF PETITION

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Attorney General John Ashcroft
Department of Justice
Washington, D.C.

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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

Dear Mr. Ashcroft,

As an American citizen, I cherish the freedom of speech and the freedom of religion guaranteed by the First Amendment of the Constitution of the United States of America.

Mr. Ashcroft, my constitutional rights are being threatened by the proposed merger of Echo Star and Direct TV which is now pending before the Justice Department.

As an American and a Christian, I respectfully request that the merger between Echo Star and Direct TV be stopped for the following reasons:

1. Echo Star has fought hard in court against laws that ensure religious broadcasters' access to satellite television. If Echo Star wins this fight, religious broadcasters will not be able to reach satellite viewers.
2. Echo Star has proven to be a company who promotes pornography and broadcasts porn on a half-dozen of its channels now.
3. In rural areas, and other parts of the country not reached by cable, TV viewers would no longer have a choice between two providers of satellite TV, as they do today. A monopoly would dramatically affect the availability of religious programming in every rural area in America.
4. Echo Star has fought against the "must carry" law in court. The "must carry" law states that any Christian television station in any city "must be carried" on satellite and cable television. If you watch Christian television over satellite or cable TV right now, Echo Star wants that privilege revoked.

Mr. Ashcroft, I ask you again...stop this merger. It's not good for America. It's not good for people of faith.

Sincerely,

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Signature Lois G. Morgan

(must be 18 years of age)

To constitute a legal petition all the above information is required.

Return by: June 10, 2002

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