

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

Dear Chairman Powell:

I'm not sure we want this merger. We live in rural community that depends on satellite for any type of programming and these two companies are the only choices available. A little competition helps keep our prices reasonable. Already Dish Network has had two price increases in the last 6 months and have decreased our programming availability unless we upgrade to a Dish 500 System. These costs are prohibitive in this area. Also, the added benefit of broadband is a much high price then our local internet provider via phone modem. I don't see how rural communities are going to benefit from any of this.

Sincerely,

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