

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

Dear Chairman Powell:

I am writing to support the merger between these two companies, DISH & Echo star (DIRECTV). I know all about the local channels and I am tired of hearing it. I think that this will be good for both companies. The problem is when these two companies merge I would love to know when I will be getting the YES network. I live in the NEW YORK CITY AREA (Bronx) and the only cable company that services my borough is CABLEVISION. I decided to get rid of CABLEVISION along time ago and switch to DISH. I did not like CABLEVISION because of the price and I wasn't getting enough channels for the price. So I switched to DISH. I looked into DIRECTV and did not like what they were offering. When I signed up for DISH they told me that I would be receiving my local sports channels with the package. Now I am not. I also understand that DISH has to charge \$2 extra for certain cities (NY, NJ, CT, & parts of PA) for this channel. I really do not mind because if they do charge it will only be \$48.00 compared to \$50.23 for CABLEVISION. Since Cablevision does not know yet if they will be charging people \$10 extra or \$2.00. If it is \$10.00 then it would be \$60.23 and if it is \$2.00 it would be \$52.25. I know that this is not a lot of savings, but the channels and the quality of service (i.e. blackouts (there are none) clear picture, etc.) are important. I hope I will be receiving the YES network very soon when these two companies merge.

Sincerely,

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