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

Dear Chairman Powell:

I strongly support the merger of Dish Network & DirectTV. I live in a very rural part of Eastern California, where cable service is prohibitively expensive, and broadband internet access is simply not available. The merger of these satellite providers will provide my family with local programming options and the possibility of high-speed internet service. I see no reason why we should be excluded from these services because we live in a rural area, particularly when there is an affordable option which could be made available to us.

Sincerely,

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