

# TMUS/S and the Sounds of Silence; C-Band and the Hum of Congress.

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*In this weekend update, we attempt to unravel the mystery of why the FCC order on the merger has not yet emerged (hint: rhymes with Tar<sup>[fnote]</sup>Aficionados of the history of North Carolina, known as the Tar Heel state (and also where this update is being written) will get the additional meaning of the hint.<sup>[/fnote]</sup>) and why DISH has not yet made announcements of corporate deals that would help the merger get through the state litigation. We also provide quick takes on Pennsylvania's entry as a plaintiff, the California PUC, news flowing from investor conferences, and disagreements over the trial calendar. We also try to interpret the vague messages being sent by Congress to the FCC on C-Band and close by noting a new case that could (but probably won't) lead to a significant deregulation of cable, telephone, and mobile companies.*

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