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Dear Dave,

I believe that "mega-mergers" are almost exclusively bad for America. I cannot speak exactly for these two companies, because I do not know them like you do. But, here's the deal.

CVS bought out Longs Drugs.

What do I find?

Less selection, higher store prices overall, higher prices on their weekly sale flyer.

Now Walgreens, one of the highest price drug stores (IMO) wants to buy Rite Aid, the one left with the better prices and sales. (But not for long if this goes through.) LESS JOBS, LESS COMPETITION, **MONOPOLY**, and all of us pay for it! THIS MERGER NEEDS TO BE STOPPED. How can we do it?

When the Walgreens and CVS CEO's play golf on Wednesday, IT DOESN'T TAKE EINSTEIN TO CONNECT THE DOTS AND KNOW WHERE OUR PRICES ARE HEADING!

As always, I appreciate you asking for your constituents opinion and the good communications you always have with me.

Best regards,

Gary Germano