

December 12, 2018

Peter Mucchetti, Chief  
Healthcare and Consumer Products Section, Antitrust Division  
Department of Justice  
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Washington, DC 20530

Dear Mr. Mucchetti,

We are a group of 5 shareholders who operate 4 small-town independent pharmacies at different locations. We have 40 employees total. These people are hard working individuals who may not have a job if CVS and Aetna merge.

A person without much vision at all can see this would be a monopoly.

CVS has their PBM'S which is destroying the small independent pharmacies.

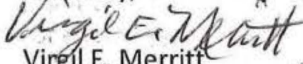
At this time, we are considering the closing of 2 of our stores. It is not a fair playing field with CVS, their PBM'S, and their own insurance companies.

At each store the pharmacist and pharmacy technicians can tell horror stories in dealing with CVS drug stores.

CVS and their group have become dictators with iron fist rule over independent pharmacies. This should not be.

We urge you to block their intended merger.

Sincerely,



Virgil E. Merritt

President

