

Exec threatens to pull Fox signal if Aereo goes on

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(AP)—A top executive with the owner of the Fox broadcast network is threatening to convert the network to a pay-TV channel if Internet startup Aereo continues to "steal" Fox's over-the-air signal and sell it to consumers without paying for rights.

News Corp. Chief Operating Officer Chase Carey made the comments Monday at the NAB Show in Las Vegas, just a week after an appeals court said Aereo could continue its \$8-a-month service. Aereo takes broadcast signals for free from the air and sends them to subscribers' computers, tablets and smartphones.

Although all broadcasters send out free-to-air signals, they usually require payment when those signals are retransmitted by a cable or satellite company.

Fox owns 27 TV stations that thrive on such signals. Carey didn't explain how they might be affected.

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