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The monopoly on cable set-top boxes should end. I agree that the FCC "Unlock the Box" proposal is the right thing to do and is long overdue and the monopoly on cable set-top boxes should end. Consumers deserve the freedom to purchase their own equipment, instead of paying exorbitant monthly lease fees. Cable companies have abused their monopoly position and charge exorbitant fees for something that is free over the airwaves. TV networks get paid by advertisers and then charge enormous fees to the cable providers who gouge the consumer by making the purchase program bundles instead of just the channels they want. It is time for the FCC to start protecting the rights of consumers and this is a good start.