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National Security and Public Safety could be severely impacted. Over the air broadcast is decentralized by design. Each broadcaster maintains independent transmission equipment, and in many cases they broadcast from different locations around a given area, and are powered from different sources. In contrast, Satellite distribution depends on relatively few transmission facilities; common uplinks, backhaul, satellites, etc. Likewise, many cable distribution systems depend on common satellite and or fiber backhaul facilities. A well planned terrorist attack could much more easily cut off large geographic areas from public information by disrupting fewer common and centralized systems like satellite and cable than they could the more de-centralized over the air transmission facilities.

Who will suffer the most? The lower income, under privileged, and elderly. Those who can least afford to spend \$50 to \$70 per month. They won't be able to pay; they'll just go dark. The government is supposed to serve the public! How can it be in the best interest of these people to cut them off from public information?

Statistics on percentage of Over The Air viewership.  
Some broadcasters indicate the percentage of over the air viewers as closer to 20% rather than the 10% FCC Chairman Genachowski keeps citing. These numbers need to be credibly qualified before making a decision based on them.

Who says the TV spectrum is only solution?  
To arrive at such a conclusion one would expect an unbiased study of multiple spectrum choices, followed by review and consensus by all industries utilizing those choices. To push forward a proposal based on the recommendation of single industry segment, as is being done now, and then to make a decision based on it, is clearly irresponsible.