

Deregulation of broadcast ownership is a terrible idea, and I'm staunchly opposed. For one thing, radio is homogenous enough without letting one company own and program 80-90% of the stations in a single market. Second, huge conglomerates like Clear Channel can't serve the public interest/local needs of their individual markets because there's no "there there"--all of their decisions are centralized, not personalized. Third, deregulation wasn't such a great idea with the energy companies in California, was it? In fact, deregulation rarely seems to work--at least not in the public's favor. Big business does just fine, though.