

Historians will likely look back at FCC auctions as a case study of the most foolish dissipations of national wealth of all time. And they will be equally severe in their judgment of these private/public partnerships the FCC seems so fond of promoting.

Let's stop the pretense. That "private/public" is just a smokescreen. It's a way of hiding behind popular ideologies so one isn't forced into the hard choices.

Bottom line: While there is ample evidence that the United States *needs* a coherent *national* public safety communications system ? there is no willingness to pay for it.

So the FCC's goal then should be to "do no harm?". *Don't * give away spectrum we'll need when this country finally comes to it's senses.