

While I am in favor of Verizon acquiring a broader spectrum, I feel that they must prove that they can live up to their previous agreements. I am referring to the Block C auction. The FCC had to force them into compliance with regards to disallowing tethering and thus restricting consumers.

Verizon is still doing the same thing with the locking of the boot loaders on several of their devices. With a locked boot loader, they are still restricting my freedom to use the device as I want/please and thus is in direct violation of their purchase of Group C. Every other major carrier in the US is carrying the Samsung Galaxy S III. Every other carrier has an unlocked boot loader. Why is it that Verizon, who is expressly denied to lock it and run it on their 4G network, the only carrier that has it locked.

If the representatives from Verizon state that it would inhibit their network, why have they entered into an agreement with Samsung to allow an unlocked Galaxy S III on the network, but it is one that we must pay full price for and is not eligible for upgrade (a difference of \$351 per unit to the consumer). This shows that it is Verizon's express intent to restrict the customer since it is not a manufacturer's decision.

The relevant portion of the Group C license agreement:

Verizon Wireless bid at auction to acquire that spectrum, understanding that it was accompanied by open device and application obligations. Specifically, licensees offering service on C Block spectrum 'shall not deny, limit, or restrict the ability of their customers to use the devices and applications of their choice on the licensee's C Block network, subject to narrow exceptions.'

Please have Verizon live up to their previous agreements before allowing them to move into more agreements and creating a larger problem down the road.

Thank you