Subject: Re: legalities of reverse engineering Posted by Bill Martinelli on Fri, 13 Jan 2006 03:46:31 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

Well John, I'm no pro and just have my opinions. If a person or company has the right to control something. Is it not theirs. If something is controllable or you have rights to it. It seems to me that there is a form of ownership. For instance. You own a TV, It sits in your living room. Does that mean less fortunate children should be allowed to sit in your house, or take and use your TV so they can watch PBS and educate themselves, have a better life and someday because they watched the 'learning channel' have become a Nobel prize winner? All pretty far fetched right? but when it's 'your stuff' being pilfered you have a different opinion. The drug companies seem to do a damn fine job of keeping their shit 'theirs' until the patent runs out. So, if some guys invents a super atomizing annular discharge nozzle to save the free world from its evils of energy use. It would sure be nice for everyone to get to use it ASAP. worse case he patents the idea. charges an arm and a leg for this planet saving device until the patent expires in 17 years. Then, everyone can buy the generic Nozzle; wait, no I'm back on heart pills and pharmaceuticals again.

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