CALL FOR PAPERS

Persons interested in submitting papers are invited to submit abstracts not exceeding two double-spaced pages for consideration for either of the two conferences. Abstracts for the 8th Annual Western Conference are due November 23, 1994 and those for the 14th Annual Conference are due December 19, 1994. Abstracts on Health Care are invited for the 14th Annual Conference (to be presented during concurrent sessions). Please indicate the conference for which you are applying and whether you would be prepared to present the paper at either one. Abstracts may be faxed to 201-648-1348.

The Workshop Organizing Committee is responsible for the selection of the 14th Annual Conference program. The Western Committee is responsible for selection of the Western Conference program. Decisions on the papers will be conveyed promptly. Copies of the completed papers are due by April 17, 1995, for the Eastern Conference and May 15, 1995, for the Western.

All persons presenting papers are required to register for the conference at the reduced enrollment fee of $600 (govt. $300) for the Eastern and $640 (govt. $340) for the Western Conference, provided that completed application forms are received by February 17, 1995. After this date, the full conference fee will apply. In the case of full-time faculty of colleges and universities selected for the program, an honorarium plus full support for registration and lodging may be available.

FEES

The enrollment fees for the workshop are:

Workshop I: Includes the three Newark meetings only.
$560 (government rate: $280)

Workshop II: Includes the three Newark meetings and one conference:
14th Annual Conference or 8th Annual Western Conference
$865 (government rate: $435)

Workshop III: Includes the three Newark meetings and both conferences
$1145 (government rate: $575)

Conference only:
14th Annual Conference: $630* (govt. rate: $315*)
8th Annual Western Conference: $670* (govt. rate: $355*)

Health Care Workshop packages, which include the 14th Annual Conference are also available. (Please call 201-648-5761 for more information.)

The enrollment fees are per person and include prescribed learning materials, meals at the Newark meetings, all receptions, and coffee breaks. The enrollment fees do not include the cost of overnight lodging and meals at the residential meetings, which is to be paid directly by participants to the hotels. However, all fees for the Western Conference include the dinner on July 5, 1995 in San Diego. There are a limited number of government rate rooms available on a first-come-first-served basis at the conference sites for the Eastern and Western Conferences. Early registration is advised.

The government rate for the conference fee is available to government employees. There is a volume discount of 5% on second and subsequent applications received in the same envelope or fax or made at the same time over the phone. If applications for different Workshop packages arrive together, the discount will be taken off the least expensive packages.

* Rates apply to applications received by December 31, 1994, only. After this date rates for the 14th Annual Conference are $650 ($325) and 8th Annual Western Conference, $690 ($365).

NEW!

ADVANCED WORKSHOP
IN REGULATION AND PUBLIC UTILITY ECONOMICS
1994–1995

New for 1995:
14th Annual Conference includes concurrent sessions on HEALTH CARE POLICY AND REGULATION

Newark Meetings
November 18, 1994 • January 13, 1995 • April 21, 1995

14th Annual Conference
Newport, Rhode Island • May 24–26, 1995

8th Annual Western Conference
San Diego, California • July 5–7, 1995

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The workshop is motivated by the increasing need to apply economic analysis to many of the economic and regulatory problems of public utilities. Considerable economic research is being undertaken by commissions and companies into problems of public utility pricing, investment, competition, and regulation. During the thirteen workshops held between 1980 and 1994, several hundred economists, commission staff members, and managers have participated in the Advanced Workshop and Conferences.

Health Economics and Regulation Program: The 14th Annual Conference will feature a day of concurrent sessions on Health Care, in conjunction with the Health Care Policy and Regulation Workshop, which is also held by the Center for Research in Regulated Industries. The Health Care Policy and Regulation Workshop provides a forum for individuals from a wide range of disciplines and interests to meet and discuss health care policy and regulation; and how ongoing health care reforms affect their organizations, institutions, and society at large. Workshop participants include individuals from national, state, and local government and regulatory agencies, the academic community (health and regulatory economists, health care policy analysts, etc.), health care industries (pharmaceutical, health insurance, hospitals, and physicians), and nonprofit health care organizations.

OBJECTIVE: The general objective of the workshop is to promote economic research, public policy analysis and improve understanding of current issues facing regulators, regulated industries, and consumers. To this end, the workshop attempts to develop the individual’s research capacity in the field of public utility economics and regulation. Thus, the workshop has direct benefits for the individual’s employer and offers career development opportunities for the participants.

APPROACH: For the first six years, the Workshop was organized annually as three one-day meetings combined with a two-day conference. Beginning in 1987-1988, a second two-day conference was offered on the West Coast. This year the Workshop will again offer two conferences in addition to the three one-day meetings. The meeting format is designed to allow for both presentation of recent research and the open discussion of new ideas.

Some examples of research topics that are examined in the workshop include pricing policy of public utilities, equity and efficiency in regulation, regulation and incentives, developments in demand analysis and forecasting in utilities, conflicts in state and federal regulation, the interaction of antitrust and regulation, economics of multiproduct utilities, cross subsidy issues, cost allocation, capital recovery, phase-ins and nuclear plants, effects of energy price changes on electric and gas utilities, mandatory and voluntary wheeling of power, and the implications of diversification for utilities. Where relevant, instruction is provided in areas where economists need at least background knowledge, but often lack formal training; for example, economic theory of contracts, depreciation and capital recovery, bidding, fairness, and the role of financial models in regulation.

Participants should be active in public utility economics or regulation. Since the approach of the workshop is to create open discussion of ideas, members will be encouraged to produce a paper which is intended as a contribution to knowledge or provide comments and discussion of the papers presented.

FACULTY

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SCHEDULE & LOCATION

The Workshop will consist of:

(a) Three one-day meetings held at Rutgers University, School of Management, Newark, NJ, beginning at 10:00 a.m. and ending at 4:00 p.m. The dates of these meetings are: November 18, 1994; January 13 and April 21, 1995.

(b) The 14th Annual Conference of the Advanced Workshop which is a residential meeting to be held at the Newport Marriott, Newport, Rhode Island, 4:00 p.m., Wednesday, May 24, through 1:00 p.m., Friday, May 26, 1995.

(c) The 8th Annual Western Conference of the Advanced Workshop, also a residential meeting, to be held at the Catamaran Hotel, San Diego, California, 4:00 p.m. Wednesday, July 5, through 2:00 p.m., Friday, July 7, 1995.


November 18, 1994

“Regulation and the Law: The Year in Review”
William Kovacic, George Mason University Law School

“Risk Management and Environmental Policy: The Case of the Clean Air Act Amendments, 1990”
Paul Kleindorfer, The Wharton School, University of Pennsylvania

January 13, 1995

SYMPOSIUM ON REGULATORY AND MARKET DEVELOPMENTS

“Opportunism and Price Caps”
Brenda Kahn, AT&T

Commentary: William Kovacic, George Mason University Law School

“Regulation, Insurance and Carriers of Last Resort”
Emilio Veneziani, Rutgers University

Commentary: Richard Sinnett, Bell Communications Research

April 21, 1995

“Economic Issues in Implementing the Clean Air Act, 1990: Ozone and SO2”
Robert H. Patrick, Rutgers University

Commentary: Melanie DuPuis, New York State Department of Economic Development

SYMPOSIUM ON REGULATORY AND MARKET DEV. (Continued)

“Developments in Electric, Postal and Telecommunications: Cross Subsidization and Predation Issues”
Miles Bidwell, NERA
Michael A. Crew, Rutgers University
Paul Kleindorfer, The Wharton School, University of Pennsylvania
William Kovacic, George Mason University Law School
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Billing Information:
☐ Payment enclosed
☐ Send invoice to participant at above address
☐ Send invoice to: ________________________________

Package: Please specify the Workshop package for which you are enrolling:
☐ Workshop I ($560): Newark sessions ONLY
☐ Workshop II ($865): Newark sessions and ONE conference:
  □ 14th Annual Conference (Newport, RI, May 1995)
  □ 8th Annual Western Conference (San Diego, CA, July 1995)
☐ Workshop III ($1145): Newark sessions and BOTH conferences
☐ 14th Annual Conference ONLY ($630): Newport, RI, May 1995
☐ 8th Annual Western Conference ONLY ($670): San Diego, CA, July 1995

Government Rate: Government employees may apply for the following reduced enrollment fees:
Workshop I: $280; Workshop II: $435; Workshop III: $575; 14th Annual Conference Only: $315; and 8th Annual Western Conference Only: $355.
☐ I would like to apply for the government rate for my Workshop fee.

Volume Discount: Second and subsequent applications received in the same envelope or fax or made at the same time by phone will receive a 5% volume discount.

Telephone Reservations: You may register for the Conference by telephone (201-648-5049), however, your call should be followed up by a completed signed application form.
☐ This form confirms a telephone reservation.

CANCELLATION POLICY: Until October 31, 1994 cancellation is allowed without penalty and refunds will be allowed in full. After this date the indicated fee is due in full whether or not the participant actually attends. Substitutions may be made at any time.

Signature of Participant: ________________________________

Please return completed application form by October 31, 1994* to:
Linda S. Brennan, C.R.R.I., Rutgers University, School of Management, 180 University Avenue, Newark, NJ 07102 or fax your application to 201-648-1348!

Applications received after October 31, 1994, will be admitted on a space available basis.

BENEFITS: The workshop will provide the following benefits to participants and their employers:
• Instruction in relevant topics.
• Interaction among academic researchers, industry managers, and staff of regulatory commissions, and opportunities for better communication and exchange of ideas.
• Improved awareness by industry and commissions of research developments at universities that may be relevant to solving current problems.
• Opportunities to contribute and improved access to the literature of regulatory economics.
• An atmosphere that encourages participants to grow as researchers.

APPLICATION PROCEDURES

Utilities, regulatory commissions, consulting companies and others are encouraged to propose candidates currently active in research in public utility economics and regulation. Consideration should be given to the candidate's potential for development within the company or commission.

To apply for the workshop, please complete and return the attached application form. All registrations received by telephone should be confirmed by sending in a completed and signed application form. Applications may be faxed to 201-648-1348. The deadline for Workshop applications is October 31, 1994.

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