

## 2002 News Archive

### November 2002

- **[National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners](#)**  
PURC Research Associate Dr. David Sappington delivered a presentation, "Effects of Incentive Regulation," to the NARUC Staff Subcommittee on communications at its annual convention. He described the effects of incentive regulation to the state commission and FCC regulatory staff and explained the predictions of theory, presented actual results from empirical analysis, and described international best practices.  
**Find more presentations on the faculty page [here](#).**
- **Basic Regulatory Training Program for the Ghana Energy Commission**  
Members of the Ghana Energy Commission studied rate-of-return regulation, price-cap regulation, pricing for environmental and social considerations, and worldwide experience in energy sector restructuring and reform during a training program delivered in Gainesville, Florida by PURC Director of Energy Studies Dr. Paul Sotkiewicz.  
**Find the course calendar and more information about specialized courses [here](#).**

### October 2002

- **Florida Outreach**  
PURC Executive Director Dr. Mark Jamison delivered the presentation, "Players and Challenges in U.S. Telecommunications," to the staff at Naylor Publications, Inc. in Gainesville.  
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### September 2002

- **PURC in Washington, D.C.**  
**Formulating a Research Agenda for Communications Policy**  
PURC co-sponsored a workshop with UF's [Public Policy Research Center](#) and Michigan State University's Quello Center. The workshop identified research needs in broadband deployment, wireline competition, spectrum assignment and allocation, and media competition. Attendees included senior FCC staff, Department of Justice economists, and leading academics. Dr. Mark Jamison delivered a presentation on the paper, "[Competition in Networking: Research Results and Implications for Further Reform](#)."  
**Find more partnership information [here](#).**
- **PURC in Yugoslavia**  
**Montenegro Training Program**  
Employees of Yugoslavia's Agency for Telecommunications in Montenegro studied international best practices for telecommunications pricing, incentive regulation, cost measurement, interconnection, and universal service during a training program delivered by Dr. Mark Jamison.  
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### PURC in Bolivia

- **[Association of Water and Sanitation Regulatory Entities of the Americas](#) conference**  
PURC Director Dr. Sanford Berg presented two papers in Santa Cruz titled "Suggestions for Improving Regulatory Practice and Sector Performance" and "U.S. Water and Wastewater: Are There Lessons for Developing Countries?"  
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- **PURC in South Africa**  
**Frontiers in Managing Reform and Regulation of the Electricity Sector in Africa**  
Participants studied electricity reform around the world and rate-of-return and price cap regulation. PURC Director of Energy Studies Paul Sotkiewicz been invited several times to serve as a featured lecturer at the Graduate School of Business, University of Cape Town, and develop course materials. PURC and the University of Cape Town partnered to present this course for infrastructure regulators in the Southern Africa region.  
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- **PURC in South Africa**  
Paul Sotkiewicz delivered a presentation, "Understanding Electricity Restructuring: Lessons Learned" to the Portfolio Committee on Minerals and Energy of the Parliament of South Africa in Cape Town. He also presented "The California Power Crisis: What Happened" at the Department of Minerals and Energy (DME) of South Africa in Pretoria. At the request of the Department of Public Enterprise (DPE) and DME, Dr. Sotkiewicz also delivered a presentation to high-level officials from these departments as well as the NER focusing on mistakes in market and regulatory design/implementation of California's wholesale electricity market.  
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#### August 2002

- **PURC in Germany**  
**Economics of Information and Network Industries workshop**  
Dr. Mark Jamison served as a discussant for a paper, "Investments and Network Competition," before academic researchers from Europe and the U.S. at a workshop in Kiel sponsored by the Kiel Institute on World Economics.  
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- **PURC in South Korea**  
**International Telecommunications Society Biennial Conference**  
Dr. Mark Jamison delivered the presentation, "Incumbent and Entrant Incentives with Network Interconnection: The Case of US Telecommunications," in Seoul.  
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#### July 2002

- **PURC in Australia**  
**[Australia Competition and Consumer Commission Conference](#)**  
Dr. Sanford Berg presented a paper, "Institutional Requirements for Second-Generation Reform" at the ACC Conference in Sydney.  
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- **PURC in Washington, D.C.**  
Dr. Mark Jamison delivered the presentation, "Network Interconnection and Telecommunications Competition: The Case in the U.S.," at a workshop sponsored by the Department of Justice and attended by about fifty people from industry, the Department of Justice, and the Federal Communications Commission.  
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#### June 2002

- **12th PURC/World Bank International Training Program on Utility Regulation and Strategy**

75 regulatory professionals from 27 nations participated in the program.

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- **PURC in Tennessee**

Dr. Mark Jamison delivered a presentation at the University of Memphis as part of [CIBER's](#) Globalization Seminars.

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#### May 2002

- **Florida outreach**

Dr. Mark Jamison presented the keynote address, "Where Would Darwin Place his Bet?" at the Florida Telecommunications Industry Association Annual Convention in Ponte Vedra.

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#### April 2002

- **PURC in Trinidad and Tobago**

**PURC Training Program for the Regulated Industries Commission: Market Reform and Managing the Regulatory Process**

The staff of the Regulated Industries Commission studied incentive regulation, cost of capital, institution building, rate reviews, emerging competition in formerly regulated industries during a training program delivered by Dr. Paul Sotkiewicz in Port-of-Spain.

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- **University of Florida award**

Dr. Sanford Berg received the Outstanding Faculty Award, Internet MBA Class of 2002. The [Warrington College of Business Administration](#) at UF now offers one of the first online MBA degrees by a fully accredited business school.

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- **[Association of Water and Sanitation Regulators of the Americas](#)**

Dr. Sanford Berg was invited to serve on the Advisory Board for the newly created organization of Latin American water regulators, ADERASA.

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#### March 2002

- **PURC in South Africa**

**Frontiers in Managing Reform and Regulation in the Electricity, Gas, Telecommunications and Water Industries in Africa**

Participants studied electricity reform around the world and rate-of-return and price cap regulation during a training program delivered by PURC Director of Energy Studies Dr. Paul Sotkiewicz.

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- **PURC in Washington, D.C.**

Dr. Mark Jamison delivered a presentation on the paper, "[Competition in Networking: Research Results and Implications for Further Reform](#)," to government and industry representatives at the Quello Center Conference on Rethinking Access.

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## February 2002

- **Competition in Wireless: Spectrum, Service, and Technology Wars**  
PURC co-sponsored this research conference with the London Business School and secured for speakers from Verizon, the US Department of Commerce, various universities, and national regulatory agencies in Brazil, Germany, and Morocco.  
**Find more information under 2002 collaborations [here](#).**
- **29th Annual PURC Conference**  
**Regulation/Deregulation: It's Performance that Counts**  
Michael Crew, Director of the Center for Research in Regulatory Industries at Rutgers University was the recipient of the 2002 PURC Distinguished Service Award. Lisa Harvey was named the recipient of the 2002 Gerald L. Gunter Distinguished Service Award.  
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## January 2002

- **American Economic Association**  
Dr. Mark Jamison was elected President of the AEA's Transportation and Public Utilities Group (TPUG) for the year.  
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- **Utilities Policy**  
Dr. Mark Jamison was appointed to the editorial advisory board of this international journal that addresses economic, environmental, institutional, legal, and other strategic issues.  
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- **Florida outreach**  
Dr. Mark Jamison testified before the Florida House Committee on Utilities and Telecommunications and the Florida Senate Committee on Regulated Industries on the issue of price rebalancing. He described international best practices, explained research results that highlight the market distortions caused by uneconomic pricing in telecommunications, and explained how prices affect universal service.  
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- **PURC in Washington, D.C.**  
Dr. Mark Jamison delivered the presentation, "International Telecom Regulation and Finances," at the Michigan State University Institute of Public Utilities' Conference.  
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- **11th PURC/World Bank International Training Program on Utility Regulation and Strategy**  
79 regulatory professionals from 41 nations participated in the program.  
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