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THE NATIONAL REGULATORY CONFERENCE
May 14, 1985
at
MARSHALL-WYTHE SCHOOL OF LAW
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WILLIAMSBURG, VIRGINIA

PROGRAM

8:00-8:45 REGISTRATION AND CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST

8:45-9:00 WELCOME
Leigh B. Middleditch, Jr., Chairman
Administrative Law Section
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William B. Spong, Jr., Dean
Marshall-Wythe School of Law
College of William and Mary
Preston C. Shannon, Chairman
Virginia State Corporation Commission

9:00-10:30 ALTERNATIVES TO TRADITIONAL ENERGY SOURCES
As traditional forms of energy continue to cause concerns relating to pricing, environmental hazards, and vulnerability of supply and delivery systems, consumers at every level of usage are increasingly considering alternative means of providing for comfort, lighting and industrial processes. Many alternatives are under development but the least expensive and most reliable “supply” of energy may still be conservation. Our speakers and panelists will offer their thoughts on appropriate responses to future energy needs.

Moderator:
Stewart E. Farrar
Deputy General Counsel
Virginia State Corporation Commission

Principal Speakers:
Amory B. and L. Hunter Lovins, authors of Brittle Power: Energy Strategy for National Security, Rocky Mountain Institute, Old Snowmass, Colorado

Panelists:
William W. Berry, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer
Dominion Resources, Inc.
Donna R. Fitzpatrick, Principal
Deputy Assistant Secretary for Conservation and Renewable Energy
U.S. Department of Energy

10:30-10:50 Break

10:50-12:30 THE FUTURE OF COGENERATION
Cogeneration, a concept that few understood ten years ago, may be a major contributor to the generating capacity in this country by the year 2000. Its supporters believe that cogeneration offers decentralized sources of generation that can efficiently use traditional and non-traditional fuel sources. But questions have been raised by the Department of Energy and others who suggest that certain cogeneration projects do not advance national energy goals because they will not offer the nation the lowest cost power possible and are little more than exotic tax shelters. Electric utilities are caught in the middle. More generation will be required as demand continues to grow and older plants are retired, but electric utilities are nervous about the long run reliability and costs of power from cogeneration units. This panel will discuss the pros and cons of future reliance on cogeneration and the cost and power supply implications of such reliance.

Moderator:
Richard D. Gary, Partner
Hunton & Williams

Principal Speaker:
E. Odgers Olson, Jr., Principal
Ernst & Whinney

Panelists:
J. Robert Sheppard, Jr.
Corporate Finance Officer
North Carolina National Bank
Roy J. Shanker, Independent Consultant
Johnnie M. Barr, Jr., Manager
Economic Development and Energy Services
Virginia Electric and Power Company
Linda S. Tuck, Director
Division of Economic Research and Development
Virginia State Corporation Commission
8:30 - 9:00
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9:00 - 9:15
WELCOME
Dean William B. Spong, Jr.
Marshall-Wythe School of Law

Waller H. Horsley, President
Virginia State Bar

Junie L. Bradshaw, Commissioner
Virginia State Corporation
Commission

9:15 - 9:45
Keynote Address
TELECOMMUNICATIONS: IT WILL NEVER BE THE SAME

The telecommunications industry has been turned upside down by its changing structure and regulatory philosophy. Commissioner Larkin will address the issues of universal service and the regulatory response to this Brave New World.

EDWARD P. LARKIN
Commissioner, New York Public Service Commission

9:45 - 10:00
Break

10:00 - 12:00
THE TELECOMMUNICATIONS INDUSTRY: EXPLORING THE NEW FRONTIER

With the United States Supreme Court’s affirmation of the AT&T divestiture settlement, with deregulation of terminal equipment now fully underway, with competition in the long distance markets firmly in place and with the boundaries between telecommunications, data processing, electronic publishing and other computer-assisted transmissions disappearing, the telecommunications industry has surged into uncharted areas. The result is a remarkable array of new game plans with all players hoping to secure a significant share of this billion dollar industry. The morning panel will explore the ramifications of this new era and will attempt to predict how the industry will shake down over the next several years.

Moderator:
EDWARD P. LARKIN
Commissioner, New York Public Service Commission

Panelists:
MR. ALFRED C. PARTOLL
Vice President, External Affairs,
AT&T (designated Executive Vice President,
AT&T Interexchange company)

MR. WILLIAM NEWPORT
President, Advanced Mobile Phone Service Corp. (designated Vice President, Mid-Atlantic Service Corp.)

MR. WARREN B. FRENCH, JR.
Vice President, United States Independent Telephone Association

MR. BERT C. ROBERTS, JR.
Senior Vice President, MCI
Communications Corporation

MR. CARL H. SELIGSON
Managing Director and Vice President,
Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner and Smith

12:00 - 2:00
Lunch - Great Hall, Wren Building