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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION  
Washington, D. C. 20554

September 25, 2008

OFFICE OF  
MANAGING DIRECTOR

Re: FOIA Control No. 2008-697

This letter responds to your Freedom of Information Act (“FOIA”) request we received on August 28, 2008 requesting a “copy of the list(s) of periodic employee colloquia, brown bag lunch talks, and employee training seminar discussions held at FCC HQ in 2006, 2007, and 2008 to date, preferably including at a minimum their title/subject, the speaker, and the date.”

We do not have a comprehensive list of such events on a Commission-wide basis. Attached please find lists of seminars or lectures prepared by the Office of Strategic Planning, the Office of Engineering and Technology, and the Public Safety and Homeland Security Bureau. Based on our telephone conversation, these are the topics that you had in mind and you are not interested in lists of seminars on the Paperwork Reduction Act, the Privacy Act, human resources matters, etc.

In addition, the Office of General Counsel presented a training class on November 29, 2007: “What Every FCC Attorney Should Know: An Overview of Administrative Law.”

Please note that under the FOIA, 5 U.S.C. § 552(a)(4)(A), and section 0.470 of the Commission’s rules, 47 C.F.R. § 0.470, we must charge FOIA requesters certain fees, depending on the classification of requesters into one of three categories defined in section 0.466 of the Commission’s rules, 47 C.F.R. § 0.466. The categories are: (1) commercial use requesters; (2) educational and noncommercial scientific institution requesters and requesters who are representatives of the news media; and (3) all other requesters. We are required to charge you our direct cost of searching for and copying records responsive to any request, except that, as an “other requester” the first 100 pages and the first two hours of search time are free of charge. We are not charging you for this FOIA request because our search time was less than two hours and we are providing fewer than 100 pages of documents.

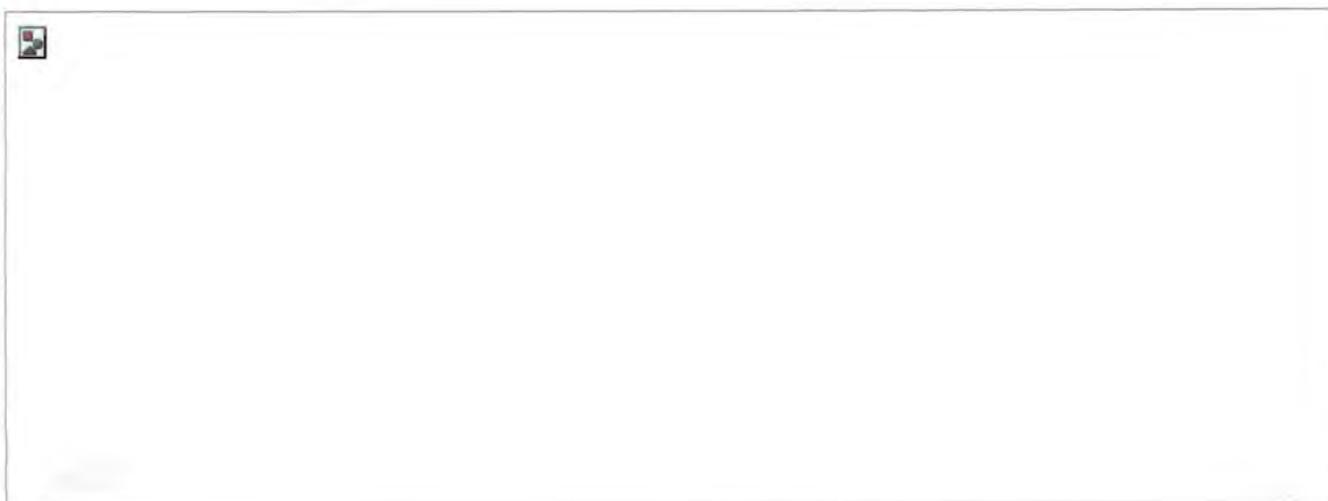
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Sincerely,

  
for Anthony J. Dale  
Managing Director

Attachments:

List of Office of Strategic Planning and Policy Analysis economics seminars  
List of Office of Engineering and Technology lectures  
List of Public Safety and Homeland Security Bureau seminars



**Autumn 2007**

2008 — 07 — 06 — 05 — 04 — 03 — 02 — 01

**Dec 12**

**Howard Shelanski**

**"IP Reform, Antitrust Reform, and Unilateral Duties to Deal," Coord. by Jonathan Levy, OSP**

[Slides](#)



**Dec 10**

**Chintan Vaishnav, MIT Engineer**

**"VOIP Requires New Regulatory Paradigm by Eroding Owner Control in Telecom Network Core"  
Coord. by Jonathan Levy, OSP**

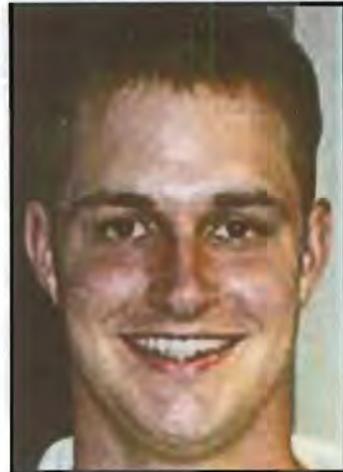
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**Oct 26**

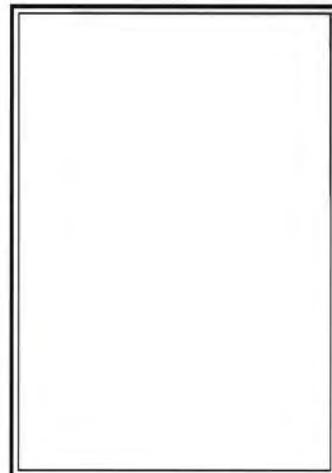
**Jeremy Burke, Duke Univ.**

**"Unbiased News Coverage and Information Loss,"**  
Coord. by Jonathan Levy, OSP,  
[Paper](#)



**Sept 27**  
**Scott Marcus, WIK Germany**  
**"Interconnection, Access, and Network**  
**Evolution to IP in Europe" Coord. by**  
**Bob Cannon, OSP**

**Sept 26**  
**Joanne McMullan, OFCOM**  
**"OFCCOM's Agency Structure and Regulatory Activities,"**  
Coord. by Jonathan Levy, OSP,  
[Slides](#)



**Summer 2007**



**Aug 7**  
**Bill Woodcock (L) and**  
**Lee Howard, ARIN**

**"Imminent Migration to IPv6 "**  
Coord. by Bob Cannon, OSP  
See [announcement](#)

**Aug 1**

**Matt Gentzkow, Univ. of Chicago**  
"Online Newspapers: Valuing New Goods  
With Complementarities," Coord. by  
Jonathan Levy, OSP, [Paper](#)



**July 25**

**John Horrigan, Pew Internet**  
"Home Broadband Adoption 2007"  
Coord. by Bob Cannon, OSP  
See [report](#)

**July 25**

**Richard Collins, Open Univ.**  
"European Union Broadcasting Policy"  
Coord. by Jonathan Levy, OSP  
[Slides](#) and [Vita](#)



**July 11**

**Gerald Faulhaber, Univ. of Penn.**  
"Effect of File Sharing on Music Production,"

Coord. by Jonathan Levy, OSP  
See [paper](#)

**June 6**

**Chris Snyder, Dartmouth**  
"Academic Journals as a Two-Sided Market "  
[Paper](#) and [Slides](#)



**Spring 2007**



**May 16**

**William Webb, OFCOM**  
"Spectrum Reform in the UK,"  
Coord. by Jonathan Levy, OSP

**May 1**

**Dennis Carlton, Univ. of Chicago**  
"Antitrust and Regulation "  
See [paper](#)



**Mar 20**

**Sherille Ismail, OSP**

**"World Bank Blueprint for Telecom Reform,"**

**Coord. by Irene Wu, IB**

**See his [FCLJ article](#)**

**Winter 2007**

**Jan 23**

**James Miller, OET**

**"Spectrum Management for Smart Radio:  
The US and Japanese Approaches"**

**See [paper](#)**



**Jan 9**

**Stephan Beckart, Telegeography**

**"Trends in International Communications,"**

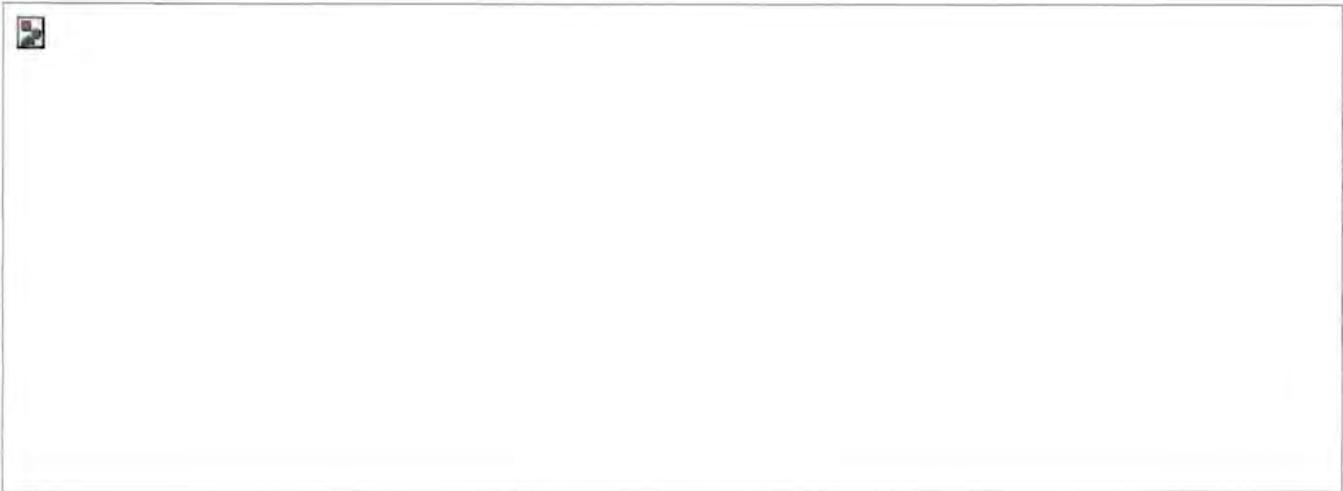
**Coord. by Irene Wu, IB**

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## Summer 2008



**Aug 12**

**Shahira Tewfik & Saira Saeed**

**U.S. Dept. of State**

**"Bloggers' Role in Middle East Democracy & Reform"**

**Coordinated by Irene Wu, IB**

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**Aug 4**

**Ariel Pakes, Harvard**

**"Moment Inequalities and Their Applications  
in Industrial Organization," Coord. by**

**Jonathan Levy, OSP**

**Paper**



**July 28**

**Daniel Ho, Stanford Law School**

**"Viewpoint Diversity and Media Consolidation"**



**Coord. by Jonathan Levy, OSP**  
**Paper 1 and Paper 2**

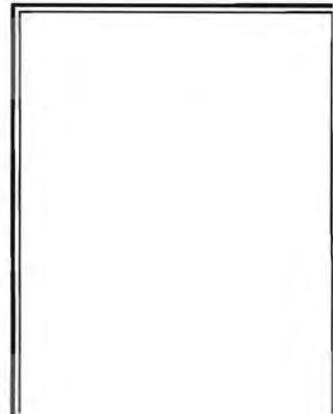


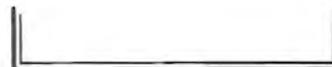
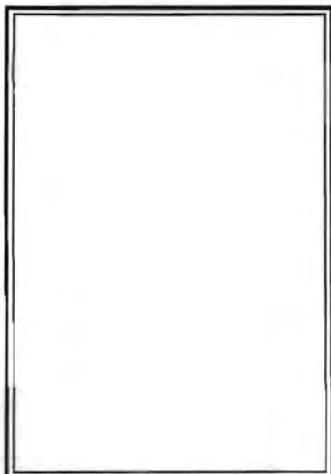
**July 22**  
**John Horrigan, Pew Internet Project**  
**“Home Broadband Adoption, 2008”**  
**Coord. by Bob Cannon, OSP**  
**Report**



**July 22**  
**Mark Bykowsky, OSP**  
**Bill Sharkey, WCB**  
**“Spectrum Management by Market Forces”**  
**Coord. by Jonathan Levy, OSP**  
**Paper 41, Paper 42, and Paper 43**

**June 26**  
**Jeff Rohlfs, Analysys Mason**  
**“Regulation of Interconnection Pricing”**  
**Coord. by Jonathan Levy, OSP**  
**Slides**





**June 18**

**Anthony Bush, OIG**

**Paul Zimmerman, FTC**

**“Technical Note on Use of PCAIDS”**

**Coord. by Jonathan Levy, OSP**

See [Paper](#)

**Spring 2008**

**May 16**

**Leslie Marx, Duke Univ.**

**“The Economics of Contingent Re-Auctions”**

**Coord. by Jonathan Levy, OSP**

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**April 25**

**Jonathan Knee, Columbia Business School**

**“Anatomy of a Media Merger: Role of the Investment Banker”**

**Coordinated by Dana Scherer, MB**

**April 22**

**William Webb, Ofcom**  
**"Will Health and Transport Sectors Need More Spectrum?"**  
Coordinated by Evan Kwerel, OSP



**April 18**  
**Bill Woodcock, PCH**  
**"Exhaustion of Internet Addresses and IPv6"**  
Coordinated by Bob Cannon, OSP

**Mar 27**  
**Fernando Beltrán, Univ. of Auckland**  
**"Access Charges and Interconnection in Model of Competition between IP Networks,"**  
Research with Bill Sharkey, WCB



**Winter 2008**

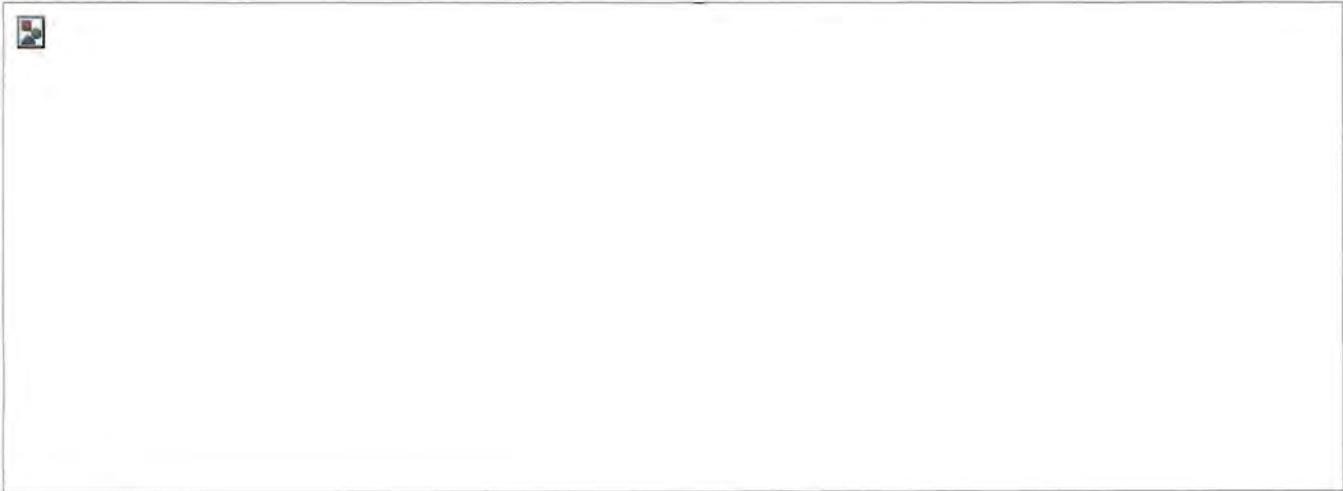


**Jan 9**  
**Alex Shcherbakov, Univ. of Arizona**  
**"Consumer Switching Costs in Television Industry"**

**Coord. by Greg Crawford, Chief Economist  
Paper**

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**Dec 19**

**Mark Bykowsky, OSP**  
**"Changing the Media Trading Process"**



**Oct 6**

**Jean-François Cazenave, TSF**  
**"Rapid Response Emergency  
Telecom Program,"** Coord. by  
Tim Peterson, HSB  
See [paper](#)



**Sept 18**

**Ad Van Loon, NY Law School**  
**"Proposed Changes in EU Framework  
and TV Regulation,"** Coord. by  
Irene Wu, IB



**Spring 2006**

**May 19**

**Jim Prieger, UC Davis**



**"New Estimates of Broadband Supply and Demand,"** Coord. by Jonathan Levy, OSP  
See [paper](#) and [slides](#)

**May 3**

**Alan Escovitz, Ohio State**  
"Wireless Solutions for Connecting Rural Ohio," Coord. by Jake Jennings, OSP



**Apr 21**

**Ken Berman, IBB**  
"Internet Filtering in China and Iran"  
Coordinated by Irene Wu, IB

**Apr 19**

**Ken Spratt, Irish Embassy**  
"Broadband Fiber Deployment: The Irish Approach," Coord. by Keith Bernard, OSP  
See [slides](#)



**Apr 4**

**William Webb, Ofcom**  
"Implementation of Spectrum Usage Rights," Coord. by Evan Kwerel, OSP

**Mar 28**

**Chris Forman, Carnegie Mellon**  
"Effect of Location on Internet Adoption" See [paper](#)



## Winter 2006



**Mar 14**

**Randeep Sudan, World Bank**

"Broadband Network Designed for a State In India," Coord. by

Keith Bernard, OSP

See [slides](#)

**Mar 9**

**Koutsky (R) & Spiwak, Phoenix**

"Video Franchising and a la Carte,"

See [cable duopoly](#), [cable vertical restraints](#), [franchises](#), [a la carte](#), [reform](#), and [reform addendum](#).



**Feb 27**

**Jon Peha, Carnegie Mellon Univ.**

"Technical Basis for Network Neutrality,"

Coordinated by Bob Cannon, OSP.

See [slides](#).

**Feb 1**

**Harry Roesch, ARC**

"Bringing Home the Rural Broadband,"

Coordinated by Robert Somers, CGC.

See [slides](#).



**Jan 25**

**Paul Welfens, EIWW**

"Rational Regulatory Policy for the Digital Economy: Theory and Reform Options," Coord. by Irene Wu, IB.

**Jan 24**

**Tom Vest, ABD at USC**  
"Internet Resource Development  
Trends," Coord. by  
Irene Wu, IB.



**Jan 18**

**Rafi Mohammed, Consultant**  
"The Art of Pricing: Finding Hidden  
Profits," Coord. by Chuck Needy, OSP  
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**Lectures:**

- Point-to-Point Method of Computing Service and Interference by Harry K. Wong December 27, 2007
- Radio wave Propagation Lecture Part 3 by Harry K. Wong June 7, 2006
- RF Propagation Lecture Part 2 by Harry K. Wong March 20, 2006
- RF Propagation and Interference Lecture Part 1 by Harry K. Wong March 3, 2006
- Simulation of Wireless Systems Using MATLAB", given by Dr. B.P. Paris July 2007

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MATLAB m-files [\[MATLAB\]](#)**Publications:**

- Seasonal Variation of LF/MF Sky-Wave Field Strengths by John C. H. Wang  
*IEEE TRANSACTIONS ON BROADCASTING, VOL. 54, NO. 3, SEPTEMBER 2008*

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## Education and Training

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The Public Safety and Homeland Security Bureau (PSHSB) hosts several summits and seminars throughout the year. Below are links to webcasts and Power Points of the summits and seminars hosted by PSHSB at the FCC.

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### Webcasts

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#### 2008

- **Communications Assistance for Law Enforcement Act (CALEA)**  
March 20, 2008 - 12:00pm-1:30pm  
Powerpoint Presentation
- **GETS/WPS/TSP**  
March 5, 2008 - 12:00pm-1:00pm  
Powerpoint Presentation
- **Vulnerability Assessment Report to Congress**  
February 21, 2008 - 12:00pm-1:00pm  
Powerpoint Presentation

- **National Response Frame Work and Emergency Support Function 2**  
January 28, 2008 - 12:00pm-1:30pm  
Powerpoint Presentation
- **High Frequency Direction Finding**  
January 22 , 2008 - 12:00pm-2:00pm

## **2007**

- **PS Licensing**  
October 4, 2007 - 12:00pm-1:00pm  
Powerpoint Presentation
- **An Introduction to the Disaster Information Reporting System (DIRS)**  
August 21, 2007 - 12:00pm-1:30pm  
Powerpoint Presentation
- **The ABC's of EAS (Emergency Alert System) - Presenter: Dan Emrick**  
May 9, 2007 - 12:00pm-1:30pm  
Powerpoint Presentation
- **800 MHz Rebanding: An Overview - Presenter: David Furth**  
March 21, 2007 - 12:00pm-1:00pm  
Powerpoint Presentation
- **Security Challenges in Hybrid Telephony**  
February 8, 2007 - 2:00pm-4:00pm  
Powerpoint Presentation
- **911 Tutorial by NENA**  
February 1, 2007 - 12:00pm-1:00pm  
Powerpoint Presentation

## **2006**

- **PSHSB Seminar: Communications Systems Reliability and Security**  
December 14, 2006 - 2:00pm-10:30pm  
Powerpoint Presentation
- **Communications System Overview**  
November 13, 2006 - 2:00pm-4:00pm  
Powerpoint Presentation 1  
Powerpoint Presentation 2

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## Summits

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### 2008

- **911 Call Center Operations and Next Generation 911 Technologies Summit**  
February 6, 2008 - 9:00am-1:30pm

### 2007

- **Health Care Summit - Emergency Communications: Preparedness, Response, Recovery**  
November 1, 2007 - 9:00am-12:45pm
- **Communications Network Surge Management in Emergencies**  
September 25, 2007 - 9:00am-1:30pm
- **Public Safety Spectrum Summit**  
June 1, 2007 - 9:00am-4:00pm
- **First Responders Summit: Focus on Public Safety Communications**  
April 20, 2007 - 9:00am-4:00pm  
Powerpoint Presentation 1  
Powerpoint Presentation 2

### 2005

- **Telecommunications Services Priority (TSP) Summit**  
February 17, 2005 - 9:30am-12:00pm  
Powerpoint Presentations