Guidelines for second written assignment (Regulation), due Monday, May 3rd.

Choosing an article: The article should be relevant to a regulatory topic covered in the course. The best places to look for potential articles are the business press: i.e., *The Wall Street Journal*; the Business sections of daily newspapers such as *The Chicago Tribune* or *The New York Times*; magazines such as *The Economist*, *Business Week*, *Regulation*, and *U.S. News & World Report*. The article need not be long, but it should contain enough information to enable you to do an effective write-up.

The report itself: I have in mind a length of about 2 pages, double spaced. You can organize your report any way you wish, but since many students like to have more structure in an assignment, I offer the following suggested outline:

Introduction. (Provide a concise summary of the report. The objective is to give the reader a roadmap of what you’re going to do and make him want to continue. I usually write this last.)

Statement of the facts. (Present relevant factual information.)

Summarize the regulatory issue.

Analysis. (Evaluate the economic arguments used in the article. Do you agree with the view presented in the article? Explain why or why not. If, on the basis of the article, you cannot reach a conclusion, explain what additional information would you need.)