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Mark Christie is a commissioner on the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) in Washington, DC, USA. FERC is the federal regulator of the bulk power system in the USA, with authority over interstate transmission rates and wholesale power sales.

Prior to becoming a FERC commissioner in January 2021, Comm. Christie was a state regulator. He was the Chairman of the Virginia State Corporation Commission, on which he served for nearly 17 years. The Virginia commission regulates retail power rates in Virginia, as well as exercising authority over the permitting of transmission and generation projects located in Virginia.

Christie taught regulatory law at the University of Virginia Law School for 10 years as an adjunct faculty member and taught constitutional law and government in a doctoral program at Virginia Commonwealth University for 20 years. He also has extensive teaching experience in Europe and Asia. He has lectured on electric and gas rate regulation in summer schools at the Florence School of Regulation (FSR) of the European University Institute. Christie taught commercial and constitutional law through the Fulbright program at the universities of Luzern, Switzerland and Trento, Italy, and taught constitutional law at the University of Heidelberg, Germany. He has also taught energy regulation at Queen Mary University Law School in London. He taught American constitutional law at the China University of Political Science and Law in Beijing.