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Robert Foster

California ISO Board of Governors

Robert Foster accepted an appointment to the California Independent System Operator by Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger on March 4, 2010. His three-year term expires on December 31, 2012. Mr. Foster is also the mayor of Long Beach, first elected in 2006.

Before taking up public service, Mr. Foster was President of Southern California Edison from 2002 to 2006 and served as Senior Vice President of External Affairs from 1996 to 2002 for SCE and its parent Edison International. He held several positions with Edison, including Vice-President of Public Affairs (1993-1996), Sacramento Regional Vice President (1986-1992) and an operations executive (1984-1986). Prior to joining Edison, Mr. Foster owned Foster Consulting (1978-1984) and was Deputy Executive Director of the California Energy Commission (1975-1978) where he led the work in establishing statewide energy efficiency standards, many of which are still in force today.

Mr. Foster is a graduate of San Jose State University with a degree in public administration.

Until his election as Long Beach mayor, Mr. Foster served as a trustee to the California State University system and was appointed chair of the U.S. Conference of Mayors – Environmental Committee while elected to the group's Advisory Board in 2009.

Mr. Foster is active in a number of community and public policy organizations, including the Public Corporation for the Arts and he coached his son's baseball team all the way to the Little League World Series in 1983.