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Mary Leslie
California ISO Board of Governors

Gov. Gavin Newsom appointed Mary Leslie to the California Independent System Operator (ISO Board of Governors) in January 2019, for a term that expires on December 31, 2020. Confirmation by the California Senate is pending.

Ms. Leslie has served as president of Los Angeles Business Council since 2001, growing the council into a prominent organization that works with business, government, and non-profit organizations to enact policies and programs that strengthen Los Angeles’ economy and quality of life. She also currently serves on the LA Sustainability Leadership Council, UCLA Advisory Committee for the Luskin Center for Innovation, LA Cleantech Incubator, and is a member of the Pacific Council of International Policy.

Ms. Leslie was deputy mayor for the City of Los Angeles under Mayor Richard Riordan and a Los Angeles Department of Water and Power Commissioner under Mayor James Hahn. She was previously deputy director of the U.S. Small Business Administration and executive director of the California Economic Development Commission.

Ms. Leslie earned a bachelor’s degree from University of Santa Clara, and a master’s degree in Public Administration from the University of Southern California. She also attended the Executive Management Program at the UCLA Anderson School of Management.