



U.S. Energy Information
Administration

Howard Gruenspecht

Acting Administrator and Deputy Administrator

Duties

Howard Gruenspecht was named Deputy Administrator of the U.S. Energy Information Administration (EIA) in March 2003 and became Acting Administrator on January 20, 2017.

As the second-in-command at EIA and the agency's top career official, Howard is involved in all aspects of analyzing, and disseminating independent and impartial energy information to promote sound policy-making, efficient markets, and public understanding of energy and its interaction with the economy and the environment. He works closely with the Administrator to provide overall leadership, planning, and policy direction for the agency. EIA provides a wide range of information and data products covering energy production, stocks, demand, imports, exports, and prices. It also prepares analyses and special reports on energy topics of current interest.

Biography

Over the past 35 years, Dr. Gruenspecht has worked extensively on electricity policy issues, including restructuring and reliability, regulations affecting motor fuels and vehicles, energy-related environmental issues, and economy-wide energy modeling. Before joining EIA, he was a Resident Scholar at Resources for the Future. From 1993 to 2000, Howard served as Director of Economic, Electricity and Natural Gas Analysis in the Department of Energy's (DOE) Office of Policy, having originally come to DOE in 1991 as Deputy Assistant Secretary for Economic and Environmental Policy. His accomplishments as a career senior executive at DOE have been recognized with three Presidential Rank Awards.

Prior to his service at DOE, Howard was Senior Staff Economist at the Council of Economic Advisers (1989-1991), with primary responsibilities in the areas of environment, energy, regulation, and international trade. His other professional experience includes service as a faculty member at the Tepper School of Business, Carnegie Mellon University (1981-1988), Economic Adviser to the Chairman of the U.S. International Trade Commission (1988-1989), and Assistant Director, Economics and Business, on the White House Domestic Policy Staff (1978-1979).

Howard received his B.A. from McGill University in 1975 and his Ph.D. in Economics from Yale University in 1982.



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