



**RODNEY (ROD) O. POWELL**

*President, Corporate Citizenship and  
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Rod Powell was named president, Corporate Citizenship for Eversource Energy in October 2014, where he is primarily responsible for directing and managing the Eversource Energy Foundation, and the Company's social responsibility programs consistent with the Company's mission and philanthropic strategy. Prior to his current position, Powell was president of the Northeast Utilities (NU) Gas Business Unit where he was responsible for the overall operations of the company delivering natural gas to approximately 200,000 customers in 71 cities and towns in Connecticut, and 300,000 customers in 51 cities and towns in Massachusetts.

Prior to the NU / NSTAR merger, Powell was president and chief operating officer of Yankee Gas Services Company, a subsidiary of the NU system and Connecticut's largest natural gas distribution company. Powell also held the position of president and Chief Operating Officer of Western Massachusetts Electric Company (WMECo), an electric operating subsidiary of the NU system, where he was responsible for its electric distribution system and satisfying the needs of WMECo's 200,000 customers throughout 59 communities in Western Massachusetts.

Powell began his career at NU in 1978 as a budget analyst. He held positions in customer engineering and marketing, regulatory relations and was general manager of Connecticut Light & Power's (CL&P) Simsbury Area Work Center. He was regional vice president of the Central Region of CL&P and served as vice president of Customer Relations and Conservation and Load Management for CL&P. Prior to joining NU, Powell worked for Arthur Anderson and Company as a senior staff auditor and as associate director of a federally funded community health program with the University of Connecticut Medical School.

Powell serves on the Board of Directors of the Hartford Foundation for Public Giving, the Bushnell Center for Performing Arts and the Middlesex Chamber of Commerce. Powell is a past member of the Board of Directors of the American Gas Association and former chairman of the Board of Directors of the Northeast Gas Association. Powell worships and is an active member of the Liberty Christian Center, Int'l.

Powell was born in Norfolk, Virginia, and graduated from Norfolk State College. He has four children.