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Jean M. Redfield joined NextEnergy in 2010 as vice president of Public Policy Programs. NextEnergy Center is a 501 (c)(3) incubator and accelerator of advanced energy technologies, businesses, and industries. In her role as vice president, she leads public sector initiatives that convene key technology, economic development, and public policy stakeholders to drive the deployment of advanced energy technologies. She joined NextEnergy after working with the firm as an independent strategy consultant.

Ms. Redfield's career includes roles driving strategy and organizational change at DTE Energy (from 1994-2001 as the electric industry was re-regulated); and serving clients in the United States, Europe, Brazil and India with McKinsey and Company, where she worked with clients to address the challenges associated with transformational dislocations within their industries, including investment banking, global commodity chemicals, pharmaceuticals and medical devices, aerospace and defense, satellite and telecommunications, and natural gas and electric utilities. She has also been a hands-on entrepreneur, first as president of DTE Edison America, an internet-based retail energy marketing start-up, and currently as co-owner and CFO of Fordsell Machine Products, a precision machining company which has successfully transitioned from a mature, negative cash flow screw machine shop to a 21st century manufacturer serving as strategic supplier to Fortune 50 companies.

Ms. Redfield's education includes a master's degree in business administration from the Wharton School, University of Pennsylvania; a bachelor of arts degree in biology with a major in ecology and environmental systems from Washington University, St. Louis; and a bachelor of science degree in civil engineering with a major in environmental engineering from the University of Memphis, where she published research on pesticide shock-load impact on wastewater treatment systems.