

Presenter Bio

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Randy Cardoza is Managing Director, Economic Development for AGL Resources, a natural gas holding company headquartered in Atlanta. AGLR is the parent company for five natural gas distribution companies including the largest, Atlanta Gas Light.

Cardoza has over 35 years experience in the field of economic development at the local, regional and state levels. He served as Commissioner of the Georgia Department of Industry, Trade & Tourism from 1990 until mid 2000, working for Governors Harris, Miller and Barnes. Cardoza was Deputy Commissioner of the Economic Development Division from 1986 until his appointment as Commissioner. During this time period, Georgia attracted more than 350,000 new jobs and \$30 billion in investment.

Prior to joining AGL Resources, Cardoza was Senior Vice President, Economic Development, for the Montgomery (AL) Area Chamber of Commerce and worked on the successful location of the Hyundai automotive assembly plant and several key supplier operations.

Cardoza is now responsible for the AGL Resources economic development program which includes assisting in the five states where AGLR has business operations. Cardoza works closely with the Georgia Department of Economic Development and other utilities through the Georgia Allies to recruit and retain jobs and investment and in assisting Georgia communities in their economic development efforts.

Cardoza is a past president and honorary life member of the Georgia Economic Developers Association, was included in the Georgia Trend "100 Most Influential Georgians" in 1992, 96-98, and has served on numerous boards over the years within Georgia state government and in the private sector. Cardoza presently serves on the Georgia Department of Economic Development Advisory Board and the Boards of the Georgia Cities Foundation, Georgia Allies, Korea-Southeast U. S. Chamber of Commerce, Newnan-Coweta Chamber of Commerce, Georgia Foreign Trade Zone, Georgia Academy for Economic Development & Quick Start Advisory Board.

