

Biography



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Foster Wade joined Statoil in 2012 as the Manager of Regulatory Affairs in Houston, TX. His focus is on oil and gas policy and regulatory matters relevant to Statoil's offshore business areas.

Prior to joining Statoil, Foster was the Principal Consultant of Foster L Wade & Associates, providing consultative services in the areas of energy, environment, health, safety and new business development.

Before reestablishing his consulting firm, he was the Deputy Assistant Secretary for Land and Minerals Management at the U.S. Department of the Interior in Washington, DC. The Office of the Assistant Secretary has administrative oversight over four bureaus, the Bureau of Land Management (BLM), Bureau of Ocean Energy Management (BOEM), Bureau of Safety & Environmental Enforcement (BSEE), and the Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement (OSMRE).

Previously, Foster held a wide variety of executive and managerial positions at Texaco and ChevronTexaco, spanning more than 20 years. His experience includes upstream, downstream, and corporate executive positions. In addition, he has held positions on professional boards and associations.

Foster is a native of New Orleans, Louisiana and a graduate of Louisiana State University in Baton Rouge, Louisiana. He earned his ME in Petroleum Engineering and Ph.D. in Civil and Environmental Engineering from Tulane University in New Orleans, Louisiana.