

Felicia R. Howard

Felicia Howard joined the SC Ports Board of Directors in February 2022. She retired as vice president of Economic Development Strategy at Dominion Energy, where she led efforts to strengthen local, regional, and state economic development initiatives across the company's thirteen-state footprint, serving seven million electric and natural gas customers.

Howard's early career began in manufacturing with roles in technical sales, engineering, and quality management at Westinghouse Electric Corporation locations in North and South Carolina. Her more than thirty-year career in energy was launched as a quality advisor for process improvement at South Carolina Electric & Gas Company (SCE&G). In the years that followed, Howard worked in key accounts management, managed community/economic development and local government functions, and directed the startup of the company's Demand-Side Management department, which introduced a wide variety of energy efficiency and conservation programs for residential, commercial, and industrial electric customers. In 2013, she was named vice president of Gas Operations where she oversaw natural gas operations, construction and maintenance, engineering and system planning, and sales for over 400,000 residential, commercial, and industrial customers. Subsequent to the 2019 merger between Dominion Energy and SCE&G parent company SCANA, Howard was appointed vice president of Economic Development Strategy in 2021, a role she held until her retirement.

Howard has a long history of community and professional engagement through board and other leadership positions with several organizations and initiatives, including her current roles on the Boards of the University of South Carolina Educational Foundation Board and the Columbia Museum of Art. Prior to joining the South Carolina Ports Authority Board, Howard was also a member of its 2021 – 2022 Ambassador Program. As founder of The Alumni Project, Inc., Howard enjoys mentoring and providing experiential learning opportunities for students across all grade levels and college.

Howard holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Electrical and Computer Engineering and a Master of Business Administration degree from the University of South Carolina. A native of Georgetown, South Carolina, Howard is married and a mother of three.