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Mary Gade is currently the President of Gade Environmental Group, LLC, an international consulting firm that provides strategic advice on energy, climate and environmental issues.

From October 2006 until June 2008, Ms. Gade served as the Region V Administrator of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. Prior to her Presidential appointment, she was a Partner in the environmental practice group of Sonnenschein, Nath & Rosenthal LLP in Chicago and Washington, D.C.

Previously, Ms. Gade was the Director of the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency under Governor Jim Edgar. During her eight years there, she was a co-founder of the Environmental Council of the States.

Ms. Gade has also held other senior management positions at the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency in key areas such as emergency response, Superfund cleanup and air quality. She served as the Deputy Assistant Administrator of U.S. EPA's Office of Solid Waste and Emergency Response in Washington, D.C. In 2008, Ms. Gade was awarded the prestigious Richard Beatty Mellon Environmental Stewardship Award by the Air and Waste Management Association. Ms. Gade has a J.D. from Washington University School of Law.

Ms. Gade has been hired by Johnson Controls as a Consultant and Director of Neighbor Engagement to enhance its community outreach efforts related to PFAS contamination in the Marinette/Pestigo, Wisconsin area. She is a Wisconsin native and resident of Reedsburg, Wisconsin.