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Richard Kauffman joined the administration of New York State Governor Andrew M. Cuomo in February 2013 as the Chairman for Energy Policy and Finance. In this capacity he oversees and coordinates energy policy through a subcabinet of energy agencies and public authorities. His mission is to develop and implement a strategic plan for the clean energy economy by developing financial, legislative and regulatory policies that focus on scaling clean energy while ensuring a resilient and reliable energy. He has worked in energy and finance at some of the highest levels of both the public and private sector.

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In his private sector career, he was Chief Executive Officer of Good Energies, Inc., a leading investor in renewable energy and energy efficiency technologies, a partner of Goldman Sachs where he chaired the Global Financing Group, and vice chairman of Morgan Stanley's Institutional Securities Business and co-head of its Banking Department.

Mr. Kauffman has served as Board Chairman of Levi Strauss & Co., as well as on the boards of several organizations, including the Brookings Institution and the Wildlife Conservation Society.

Mr. Kauffman earned a bachelor's degree from Stanford University, a master's degree in international relations from Yale University and a master's in public and private management from the Yale School of Management. He is a member of the Council on Foreign Relations.