

# **Suzanne E. Hilding**

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Suzanne Hilding is the Director of the Office of Systems Development at the National Environmental Satellite, Data, and Information Service (NESDIS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) since May 2010. In this role, Ms. Hilding oversees the development, acquisition, integration, installation, and acceptance of major system elements (spacecraft, instruments, launch services, and ground systems) for NOAA's operational environmental satellite systems. In support of these activities, she also oversees requirements definition studies, conceptual and detailed engineering design, and overall systems planning.

Prior to her appointment at NOAA, Suzanne Hilding served as the Chief Information Officer for the Department of Commerce (DOC), from March 2008 to May 2010. In this capacity, Ms. Hilding was responsible for managing DOC's Information Technology (IT) resources.

Prior to joining DOC, Ms. Hilding worked for the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) for 22+ years. She joined NASA in 1985 and through March 1991 served as an instrumentation engineer on a Life Support System project, and later as a Data Processing System (DPS) Engineer for the Space Shuttles Atlantis and Endeavor. While at NASA, Ms. Hilding served on 65+ Space Shuttle launch campaigns.

In 1991, Ms. Hilding was selected for the Section Chief of the Space Shuttle Main Engine Avionics Test and Checkout Team. She also held numerous management positions and served in increasingly responsible roles including the Division Chief, Guidance, Digital, and Software Systems Division, and Assistant Associate Administrator for Space Operations & Exploration Systems Integration. As the Chief of Staff to the NASA Deputy Administrator from 2002-2005, Ms. Hilding was the principal advisor to the Deputy on agency policy and management issues.