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Derek Passarelli has served since 2016 as the Director of the Department of Energy's Golden Field Office (Golden), which is dedicated to supporting the development of sustainable and environmentally clean energy. Golden is responsible for oversight and implementation of the Office of Energy Efficiency & Renewable Energy's (EERE) financial assistance portfolio, and management and oversight for the National Renewable Energy Laboratory, the nation's preeminent laboratory solely dedicated to the research and development of renewable energy and energy efficient technologies, and the transfer of those technologies into the marketplace. Mr. Passarelli has served EERE in a variety of roles for the past 19 years, including: Golden's Chief Counsel for six years; Golden's Human Resources Director, Senior Advisor to the Assistant Secretary for EERE, Acting Director of EERE's Business Services, and Golden's Acting Deputy Director.

Prior to joining DOE, Mr. Passarelli worked for the Justice Department, the Resolution Trust Corporation, and in private practice representing local governments and special taxing districts, as well as private business and personal clients.

Mr. Passarelli attended Stanford University for undergraduate and graduate studies, obtaining a Bachelor of Arts with Honors in Sociology, a Bachelor of Arts in Political Science and a Master of Arts in Sociology. He received his Juris Doctor from the Georgetown University Law Center.