



## **Bennett L. Gaines**

Senior Vice President, Corporate Services and  
Chief Information Officer

Bennett L. Gaines is senior vice president, Corporate Services, and chief information officer for FirstEnergy Service Company, a subsidiary of FirstEnergy Corp. Gaines is responsible for the delivery of Information Technology (IT) services, including FirstEnergy's corporate IT strategy and governance process, as well as the company's communications and data network. He also is responsible for Corporate Security (physical and cyber), Flight Operations and Supply Chain. He was appointed to his current position in July 2012.

Gaines joined FirstEnergy in 2006 as vice president, Information Technology/Corporate Security and chief information officer. Earlier in his career, he was vice president and chief information officer at Cincinnati-based Cinergy Corp., where he was responsible for the delivery of IT services and telecommunications and network operations.

Before joining Cinergy in 2003, Gaines was managing director, Business Services, at Powergen plc in the United Kingdom. He was responsible for the strategy and delivery of IT and other shared services and managed IT activities. Prior to this position, he was corporate director, Supply Chain, for LG&E Energy Corp., a subsidiary of Powergen, based in Louisville, Ky. From 1998 to 2000, he was employed by EDS Corp. in Dallas, Texas.

Gaines earned a Bachelor of Arts degree from Baldwin-Wallace College and a Master of Arts degree from the University of Phoenix.