

**Dr. Marvin Duncan**

**Biographical Sketch**

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Dr. Duncan is a Senior Agricultural Economist in the Office of Energy Policy and New Uses, within the Office of the Chief Economist, in the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA). Dr. Duncan works in the areas of industrial biotechnology and biobased products. Duncan led the development of the BioPreferred Program in USDA, which provides for preferential procurement of qualified biobased products by Federal agencies. Dr. Duncan also monitors the U.S. electric utility industry and renewable power development, along with the restructuring underway in that industry.

Dr. Duncan is a member of the Industrial Biotechnology Task Force of the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD), where he currently is chairman of that Task Force.

Dr. Duncan previously has held research and management positions at the Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City where he was a Vice President and Economist. At the Farm Credit Administration, the financial regulator for the Cooperative Farm Credit System, he has served as the Senior Deputy Governor and Chief Operating Officer and, later, a Member of the Presidential appointed and Senate confirmed Farm Credit Administration Board, Acting Chairman of that Board, and Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Farm Credit System Insurance Corporation.

Duncan also has been a professor and department chairman at a land grant university, and manager of a large scale grain and livestock farm. Duncan holds a B.S. degree in agronomy and an M.S. in agricultural economics from North Dakota State University, and a Ph.D. degree in agricultural economics from Iowa State University.