

MICHAEL KEATING ANOUNCES DEPARTURE FROM IPART

Michael Keating AC, Chairman of IPART, has announced that he will be leaving IPART on 11 September 2009.

Dr Keating has been Chairman of IPART for 5 years. IPART initially started as the regulatory authority for government-owned water, electricity and public transport, but now also regulates gas, taxis, and private buses and is the administrator for the State's Greenhouse Gas Reduction Scheme and Energy Savings Scheme. In addition, IPART undertakes major Inquiries for government and has undertaken reviews in a range of areas including State Taxation, Red Tape, Local Government and Climate Change.

"IPART is one of the leading regulatory bodies in the country and plays a key role in both regulation and public policy within NSW", Dr Keating said. "IPART continues to attract some of the best and brightest talent and I believe will continue to make a major contribution to regulation and the development of policy in Australia".

"I found the past 5 years extremely stimulating after a career working with both State and Federal governments and of different political persuasions".

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