

Continuous disclosure policy

IPART is committed to continuous disclosure to ensure impartial and transparent decisions through extensive consultation, as well as accountability for performance against corporate goals, key indicators and expenditure of public funds.

Objectives

IPART aims to meet community expectations of a more open and transparent government and proactively releases government information.

Scope

This policy applies to the Independent Pricing & Regulatory Tribunal only. IPART employees are required to disclose relevant matters in line with IPART's [Code of Ethics and Conduct](#).

Principles

IPART will continuously disclose information on current and planned reviews, performance outcomes and expenditure through its website, parliamentary reports and the IPART Annual Report.

Specifically we:

- ▼ Continuously disclose to the public and key stakeholders information on:
 - Current and planned **reviews** via our website as part of our [review process](#). Also refer our 'Open Access Information' page.
 - Current and planned regulation and compliance activities via our website as well as our annual reports to the relevant Minister:
 - [NSW Energy network operator compliance – 31 October](#)
 - [NSW Energy Savings Scheme Compliance and Operation – 31 July](#)
 - [Licence Compliance Under the Water Industry Competition Act 2006 \(NSW\) – 31 October](#)
 - Disclose performance and expenditure information on key metrics in our **Annual Report** after it is tabled in Parliament.
- ▼ Regularly seek **submissions** from members of the community and industry stakeholders in line with our [submissions policy](#).
- ▼ Refine and improve our processes on an ongoing basis including our [stakeholder surveys](#) every two years.
- ▼ Support the [right to Information](#) under the Government Information (Public Access) Act 2009, and have made the following available on our website in line with **open access information**:
 - [IPART's information guide](#)
 - Documents about the agency that have been [tabled in Parliament](#).
 - IPART's [Disclosure Log](#) of access applications where IPART decides it may be of interest to other members of the public
 - IPART's register of [Tenders & Contracts](#)

- ▼ Publish a **pecuniary interests register for current Tribunal members** that records any disclosures made by current Tribunal members under schedule 2, clause 6 of the Independent Pricing and Regulatory Tribunal Act 1992 (NSW).
- ▼ Publish a copy of our register of **gifts and benefits** that meet the definition per our policy.
- ▼ Maintain confidentiality and privacy of information as part of any disclosure.

Monitoring and review

This Policy is a managed document. Changes will be issued as a complete replacement document. This Policy will be reviewed, at a minimum every 3 years, or in response to material changes in the operating environment.

Implementation date: 31/05/2018

Contact:	Principal Risk Officer	Information Manager (Executive Officer)
Email:	anthony_wallis@ipart.nsw.gov.au	diana_pavkovic@ipart.nsw.gov.au
Phone:	02 9113 7741	02 9290 8456

Definitions

Table 2 provides a glossary of key terms that are not explained elsewhere in this document.

Table 2 **Definitions**

Term	Definition
Continuous Disclosure	▼ Regular disclosure of information of which members of the public would reasonably expect to be informed including performance against corporate goals, key indicators and expenditure of public funds.

End of policy document