

Statement

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IPART Chair's Term Concludes

Independent Pricing and Regulatory Tribunal Chair Carmel Donnelly PSM has announced that she will not seek reappointment in the role of Chair when her current five-year term of appointment ends in June.

Ms Donnelly said she has been proud to be part of the Tribunal.

"This was not an easy decision, but for a range of personal and family reasons it is time for me move to a new chapter of my life," Ms Donnelly said.

"It has been a privilege to serve as Chair of IPART since 2021, and to have had the opportunity to contribute to a broad range of decisions, advice and outcomes, in consultation with the community, customers and stakeholders across NSW."

Ms Donnelly is an experienced chief executive, board member and regulator with over 35 years of public sector experience including as Chief Executive of the State Insurance Regulatory Authority (SIRA).

She joined IPART as Chair of the Tribunal in July 2021 and was awarded the Public Service Medal in 2022 for outstanding public service to regulatory reforms in NSW.

"I am grateful for the dedicated work and insight of fellow Tribunal members over the years since 2021, and for the support of the hard-working and talented multi-disciplinary team of public servants in the IPART Secretariat," Ms Donnelly said.

"I understand the Government will commence a process to appoint my successor. However, until the end of June, it will be business as usual."

Ms Donnelly's appointment concludes on June 30, 2026.

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