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ASX ANNOUNCEMENT

APA Group (ASX: APA)
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APA RETIREMENT OF CHAIRMAN AND BOARD CHANGES

Mr Leonard Bleasel AM, Chairman of APA Group (ASX: APA), today advised the Board that he intends to retire as a Non-Executive Director and Chairman of the Australian Pipeline Limited (APL) Board at the conclusion of APA's Annual Meeting next month. He will be succeeded in the role by current APA Non-Executive Director, Michael Fraser.

APL is the responsible entity of Australian Pipeline Trust and APT Investment Trust that together comprise APA. Mr Bleasel has been Chairman of APL since 2007.

Mr Bleasel said, "It has been very satisfying to see the growth of APA over the last decade with Total Securityholder Returns growing at a compound rate of 17.3%¹ pa but it is now time to step down as Chairman after ten years in the role."

Mr Bleasel also announced that Non-Executive Director, John Fletcher, Chairman of the APA Group People and Remuneration Committee had advised of his intention to retire as a Director no later than February 2018 when APA will announce its FY18 interim results and that Patricia McKenzie had advised of her intention to retire from the Board at the 2018 Annual Meeting.

Mr Bleasel said, "John and Patricia have been outstanding contributors to the APA Board over many years and their judgement and commitment to APA has been highly valued."

Mr Fraser said, "Board renewal will be a priority over the next 12 months. This will be led by the Board's Nomination Committee comprising myself as Chairman, Debbie Goodin and Russell Higgins. An external search firm will be engaged to ensure the best available candidates for the vacant Board positions are selected to steer APA through the challenges facing Australia's energy market."

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About APA Group (APA)

APA is Australia's leading energy infrastructure business, owning and/or operating in excess of \$20 billion of energy infrastructure assets. Its gas transmission pipelines span every state and territory on mainland Australia, delivering approximately half of the nation's gas usage. APA has direct management and operational control over its assets and the majority of its investments. APA also holds ownership interests in a number of energy infrastructure enterprises including SEA Gas Pipeline, SEA Gas (Mortlake) Partnership, Energy Infrastructure Investments and GDI Allgas Gas Networks.

APT Pipelines Limited is a wholly owned subsidiary of Australian Pipeline Trust and is the borrowing entity of APA Group.

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