Patricia McDonald Joins Port of Portland Commission

Patricia McDonald is a newly appointed member of the Port of Portland Commission.

McDonald is vice president of human resources and director of the Intel Talent Organization at Intel Corporation. Since joining Intel in 1986 as a summer intern, McDonald has held a wide range of engineering, manufacturing and management positions, including vice president and plant manager of Fab 20 in Hillsboro, leading 1,800 employees. She has also served as director of the ATMx organization, director of the Product Health Enhancement Organization, and pioneered Intel's Healthcare Marketplace Collaborative, an alliance of Portland health care providers, a health plan, and the Virginia Mason Institute.

Long a champion of diversity at Intel, McDonald is Intel's executive sponsor for the Women at Intel Network with 40 chapters worldwide. McDonald earned a bachelor's degree in chemical engineering from Oregon State University. She lives in Portland with her husband and son.

McDonald will replace Commissioner Diana Daggett. Other members of the Port Commission are: Jim Carter, Commission president; Tom Chamberlain, Commission vice president, and president, Oregon AFL- CIO; Linda Pearce, Commission treasurer, and CFO of Tillamook County Creamery Association; Robert Levy, Commission secretary, and self-employed farmer operating both Windy River and L&L Farms in Hermiston; Peter Bragdon, vice president and general counsel, Columbia Sportswear Company; Alice Cuprill-Comas, legal counsel at Oregon Health & Science University; Tom Tsuruta, adjunct professor at Marylhurst University; and Gary Young, business manager for the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 48.
The nine-member Commission sets Port policy during its monthly meetings. At least two commissioners must each live in one of the three counties in the Port district (Multnomah, Washington and Clackamas counties). The remaining members may live in any part of the state. Commissioners are unpaid volunteers who are appointed by the Governor and confirmed by the Oregon Senate. They serve four-year terms and can be reappointed for an additional term. Commission presidents are selected by and serve at the pleasure of the Governor. The Commission appoints the Port's executive director.

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Established in 1891 by the Oregon legislature, the Port today owns four marine terminals, three airports (Portland International, Hillsboro, and Troutdale) and five business parks. The mission of the Port is to enhance the region's economy and quality of life by providing efficient cargo and air passenger access to national and global markets, and by promoting industrial development. The most recent economic impact study shows that the Port generated 27,000 jobs, $1.7 billion in wages, salaries and consumption impacts and nearly $164 million in state and local taxes in 2011.