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Tony Coleman announced as Actuary of the Year

Tony Coleman, a leader in the Australian financial services sector has been announced today as Actuary of the Year 2004 by the Institute of Actuaries of Australia.

Tony is the Chief Risk Officer and Group Actuary of the Insurance Australia Group (IAG).

“The award is made in recognition of Tony’s outstanding contribution to the profession, business, and the community”, said Graham Rogers, President of the Institute.

“Tony has made a significant contribution to the Institute and the Australian actuarial profession for his work in the fields of risk management, corporate governance and climate change in the general insurance industry, and more broadly in the financial services sector”, said Mr Rogers.

Throughout his career, Tony has played a very active role in the actuarial profession. In 2001 he was President of the Institute of Actuaries of Australia. He was later appointed Chairman of the Institute’s HIH Royal Commission Taskforce, and he also served as a member of the Institute’s Corporate Governance Taskforce.

Internationally, Tony is Vice-President of the Financial Risks Committee of the International Actuarial Association (IAA) and is a member of the IAA Insurer Solvency Subcommittee. He was recently appointed to the IASB Insurance Working Group as the only Australian representative, and one of two actuaries internationally.

In late 2003, Tony was instrumental in the formation of the Australian Climate Group convened by World Wildlife Fund Australia and IAG to promote a better understanding of global warming and climate change in the community.

“The Actuary of the Year award recognises Tony’s achievements and acknowledges his role as a leading figure in the financial services industry. Tony is a great example of how significant experience and skills in the financial services sector can be effectively utilised to raise public awareness of major social issues, such as climate change”, said Mr Rogers.

Tony Coleman’s citation for Actuary of the Year can be found at <http://www.actuaries.asn.au/PublicSite/pdf/2004citation.pdf>

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