

Woolworths Group announces leadership update and organisational changes

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Australia's Woolworths Group announces changes to its Food leadership and organisational structure to allow a greater focus on the areas that have the most impact on customers.

Annette Karantoni has been appointed managing director of Woolworths Retail, reporting to Amanda Bardwell, Woolworths Group CEO and managing director of Australian Food. Woolworths Retail brings together key components of the Australian retail business including Woolworths Supermarkets, Metro, Greenstock (red meat supply business) and Woolworths Food Company Retail (Own Brand).

Amanda Bardwell said: "Annette has been leading Primary Connect, the Group's supply chain business, for over three years. This has included oversight of the NSW supply chain transformation, the Group's biggest strategic investment to date.

"Our Woolworths Retail business is the cornerstone of our Group and critical to our success. Getting it right for our customers starts with our team and we are taking the opportunity to simplify the way we work to create the biggest impact for our customers. With Metro, Greenstock and Woolworths Food Company Retail moving into Woolworths Retail under Annette's leadership, we will be able to enhance the role our retail food stores and own brand play in meeting the needs of

our customers.â?•

Jeanette Fenske, Director of Stores and Paul Harker, Chief Commercial Officer, who have been leading Woolworths Supermarkets on an interim basis will continue in their existing roles as part of Woolworths Retailâ??s leadership team, reporting to Annette Karantoni.

In New Zealand, Sally Copland has been appointed Managing Director, Woolworths New Zealand following Spencer Sonnâ??s decision to return to South Africa. Sally has been with Woolworths Group for over 18 years and will return to Woolworths New Zealand having previously held many senior positions including interim Managing Director, as well as leading eCommerce, Brand and CountdownX teams.Â