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Marilyn Kapitany joined the federal government department of Western Economic Diversification Canada (WD) in February 2004. Prior to arriving at WD, she spent three years as the Regional Director General for Indian and Northern Affairs. Ms. Kapitany grew up in western Canada and started her career in the public service in 1981 with Statistics Canada in Ottawa and Winnipeg. She subsequently held various positions with the Canadian Grain Commission where she was the Director of Industry Services at the time of her appointment to Indian and Northern Affairs in 2001. Ms. Kapitany has extensive experience in policy development, economic development, leadership and management. She has an Honours Science degree and a Master's degree in production economics from the University of Manitoba. Ms. Kapitany is also active in the volunteer sector. She is a long-time supporter of the United Way including service on the 2006 and 2007 Campaign Cabinets of the United Way of Winnipeg and on the 2009 National Cabinet for the Government of Canada Workplace Charitable Campaign. She is also an executive member of the National Board of YMCA Canada, a member of the Manitoba Innovation Council and a member of the Board of the Assiniboine Park Conservancy.