

Who's Lobbying Who in BC?

Monthly Snapshot – March 1 to March 31, 2012

The following organizations and consultant lobbyists submitted their registrations under the BC Lobbyists Registration Act between March 1 and March 31, 2012. The full details of each registration are searchable at www.lobbyistsregistrar.bc.ca.

1. Mehmood Alibhai and Danny L'Abbe, in-house lobbyists for Boehringer Ingelheim Canada Ltd., are arranging meetings with various public office holders to increase awareness related to Stroke and Atrial Fibrillation and to discuss seniors' health issues and drug plans.
2. Mike Bailey, a consultant lobbyist with Western Policy Consultants Inc., is arranging meetings with various public office holders on behalf of his client, the British Columbia Association of the Appraisal Institute of Canada, to discuss the possibility of enhancing consumer transparency related to the real estate appraisal fee disclosures.
3. Roderick Bealing, an in-house lobbyist for the Private Forest Landowners Association, is arranging meetings with MLAs to discuss legislation regarding various topics.
4. Stephen Brown, an in-house lobbyist for the Chamber of Shipping of British Columbia, is lobbying various public office holders on a variety of topics including the impact of the proposed Marine Protected Areas and Marine Conservation Areas, ballast water management, and marine security.
5. Josh Christensen, a consultant lobbyist with Hill+Knowlton Strategies, is arranging meetings between various public office holders and his client, BHP Billiton, to discuss transportation infrastructure.
6. Michael Cunningham, a consultant lobbyist with Pace Group Communications Inc., is arranging meetings with MLA Rich Coleman (Fort Langley-Aldergrove) and the Minister of Transportation and Infrastructure (and/or their staff) on behalf of his client, Trinity Western University, to discuss the impact of the Roberts Bank Rail Corridor Program on the University.
7. Eric Denhoff, an in-house lobbyist for the Canadian Hydrogen and Fuel Cell Association, is arranging meetings with staff of the Ministry of Energy and Mines, the Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure and Tourism British Columbia to advocate for continued BC involvement in the hydrogen and fuel cell industry, a feed-in tariff for fuel cells and applicable policies.

8. Michelle Favero, an in-house lobbyist for the Mission Regional Chamber of Commerce, is lobbying various public office holders on a number of topics including the completion of the road upgrade for the Stave Lake Interpretive Forest Project, the Ruskin Dam Upgrade, and Hwy 7 truck traffic reduction.
9. Diane Finegood and Bev Holmes, in-house lobbyists for the Michael Smith Foundation for Health Research, are lobbying various public office holders to seek annualized funding to support the activities of the organization.
10. Jon Garson, an in-house lobbyist for the BC Chamber of Commerce, is lobbying a number of public office holders on a broad range of topics including developing harmonized workable regulatory processes for carrying out consultations with the aboriginal community, creating a provincial literacy champion, and adopting a Smart Spending Program.
11. Charles Gauthier, an in-house lobbyist for the Downtown Vancouver Business Improvement Association, is lobbying the Minister of Transportation and Infrastructure (and/or his staff) to amend the legislation governing TransLink.
12. Ann Marie Hann, an in-house lobbyist for the Coal Association of Canada, is lobbying the Minister of Energy and Mines and the Minister of Environment (and/or their staff) to ensure legislation, regulations and policies support a productive and socially responsible coal mining industry in BC.
13. David Hardy, an in-house lobbyist for the Fitness Industry Council of Canada, is lobbying the Minister of Health (and/or his staff) to become involved in public policy initiatives including the adult and children's fitness tax credits and the organization's proposed caloric menu legislation.
14. Michael Harrison, a consultant lobbyist with GCI Canada Group, is arranging meetings with several public office holders on behalf of his client, Vertex Pharmaceuticals (Canada) Inc., to raise awareness of Hepatitis C issues.
15. Michael Harrison is also arranging meetings with a number of MLAs on behalf of Prostate Cancer Canada, to raise awareness of prostate cancer issues.
16. In-house lobbyists for Allergan, Inc. are arranging meetings with Ministry of Health staff to discuss a pharmaceutical/device public formulary listing.
17. In-house lobbyists for the BC Association of Aboriginal Friendship Centres are arranging meetings with MLAs to discuss the establishment of an urban aboriginal strategy that includes a long-term investment in Aboriginal Friendship Centres.

18. In-house lobbyists for the British Columbia Real Estate Association are lobbying various public office holders to amend strata legislation, increase the 1% PTT threshold, and have floodplain mapping be a provincial government responsibility.
19. In-house lobbyists for the Canadian Bankers Association are lobbying the Minister of Finance and the Minister of Justice and Attorney General (and/or their staff) to encourage the development of elder financial abuse prevention policy, the introduction of legislation to promote and enhance a competitive tax regime, the modification of the *Securities Act*, the development of a National Securities Regulator and the development of the Pooled Registered Pension Plans.
20. In-house lobbyists for Canadian Pacific are lobbying various public office holders on a variety of topics including the impact of air emission policy on the railway industry, mechanisms to simplify collection of local taxes and development of an infrastructure for and promotion of the Pacific Gateway.
21. In-house lobbyists for the Canadian Youth Business Foundation are lobbying various public office holders to obtain a grant from the BC Government.
22. In-house lobbyists for the Canadian Generic Pharmaceutical Association are lobbying the Minister of Health (and/or his staff) to expedite the listing of generic drugs by PharmaCare and to discuss policies on the reimbursement of pharmacists for dispensing generic drugs.
23. In-house lobbyists for Canfor Corporation are lobbying a number of public office holders on a broad range of topics including First Nations consultation activities delegated to private sector operators, wood-based bioenergy, and the softwood lumber agreement.
24. In-house lobbyists for EPCOR Utilities Inc. are arranging meetings with Partnerships British Columbia Inc. to provide information on the organization's expertise in water and wastewater treatment operations and electricity distribution and transmission for commercial, industrial and municipal customers.
25. In-house lobbyists for General Motors of Canada Limited are lobbying several public office holders to develop policies regarding sustainable transportation initiatives to encourage adoption of advanced technology vehicles in accordance with BC's greenhouse gas reduction goals.
26. In-house lobbyists for GS1 Canada are lobbying various public office holders on national collaboration for standards development and adoption in the healthcare supply chain, the use of GS1 standards in agriculture/agri-food traceability initiatives, and enabling Canadian small businesses in the electronic supply chain and trade.

27. In-house lobbyists for Hoffmann-La Roche Limited are lobbying the Minister of Health and the Minister of Finance (and/or their staff) on a number of topics including policy and market access for pandemic planning and anti-virals, oncology, rheumatology, transplants, urgent care, virology and clinical research.
28. In-house lobbyists for Imperial Oil are lobbying various public office holders to encourage the repeal or amendments to the BC Low Carbon Fuels Requirements Regulation, to discuss municipal by-laws regarding remediated property certification, and to encourage the adoption of pro-development fiscal policies for natural gas in BC.
29. In-house lobbyists for the Insurance Bureau of Canada are lobbying various public office holders on a number of topics including encouraging government to invest in sewer/wastewater infrastructure, and advocating for the amendment of the *Limitation Act* and the creation of a BC automobile insurance statistical plan.
30. In-house lobbyists for LifeScan Canada Limited are lobbying various public office holders to provide an overview of the organization and their activities in BC and to present a case for reimbursement of their diabetes products.
31. In-house lobbyists for Novartis Pharmaceuticals Canada Inc. are lobbying a number of public office holders to discuss issues pertaining to the funding of medications and vaccines under various provincial programs.
32. Jess Ketchum, a consultant lobbyist with Ketchum Communications Ltd., is arranging meetings with the British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority and the Minister of Energy and Mines (and/or his staff) on behalf of his client, Sea Breeze Power, to gain acceptance for the Juan de Fuca Cable Project being a viable component of BC's electrical transmission network.
33. Eric Kristianson, a consultant lobbyist, is arranging meetings with various public office holders on behalf of his client, the Automobile Retailers Association, to discuss retail automotive industry issues concerning insurance, vehicle repair, rental, recycling and training.
34. Eric Kristianson is also arranging meetings on behalf of RX&D with various MLAs to discuss pharmaceutical issues.
35. Tamara Little, a consultant lobbyist with NATIONAL Public Relations, is arranging meetings with several public office holders on behalf of her client, Kleana Power, to raise awareness of the company and build relationships.

36. Glen Lucas, an in-house lobbyist for the BC Fruit Growers' Association, is lobbying various public office holders to request agricultural support programs for the ALR, replant program, marketing program, and BC procurement program and support for the recommendations of the Agriculture Minister's Working Group on the tree fruit industry.
37. David Molinski, a consultant lobbyist, is arranging meetings with several ministers (and/or their staff) on behalf of Chevron Canada Limited to discuss issues that may impact the operation of Chevron's Burnaby Refinery and other company assets in BC.
38. Marcella Munro, a consultant lobbyist with Earncliffe Strategy Group, is arranging meetings with various public office holders on behalf of her client, the Community Social Services Employers' Association, to gain support for CSSEA's long term planning.
39. Marcella Munro is also arranging meetings with the Minister of Health (and/or his staff) on behalf of the Canadian Beverage Association to discuss communications activities that impact the beverage sector.
40. Marcella Munro is also arranging meetings with several MLAs on behalf of McDonald's Restaurants of Canada Limited to provide details on nutritional information and education.
41. Andrew Pottinger, a consultant lobbyist with AJ Pottinger and Associates, is arranging meetings on behalf of his client, Andrew Peller Ltd., with MLA Douglas Horne (Coquitlam-Burke Mountain) to discuss the Evergreen Line station planning.
42. Robert Rauscher, an in-house lobbyist for Acceleras Consulting Inc, is lobbying the Health Authorities and select MLAs on policies and decisions related to diagnostic imaging, procurement and primary care.
43. Mark Reder, a consultant lobbyist with Fleishman-Hillard, is arranging meetings with staff of the Ministry of Energy and Mines on behalf of his client, Chevron Canada, to discuss issues that may impact the operation of Chevron's Burnaby Refinery and other company assets in BC.
44. Ian Russell and Susan Copland, in-house lobbyists for the Investment Industry Association of Canada, are arranging meetings with the Premier and the Minister of Finance (and/or their staff) to provide an overview of current issues facing the financial industry with respect to support for a national securities regulator and to discuss provincial budget matters.
45. Lisa Samson, a consultant lobbyist with StrategyCorp Inc., is arranging a meeting with the Office of the Premier on behalf of her client, the Nature Conservancy of Canada.

46. Allan Seckel, an in-house lobbyist for the British Columbia Medical Association, is lobbying the Minister of Health (and/or his staff) to promote a social, economic, and political climate in which members can provide BC citizens with the highest standard of health care while achieving maximum professional satisfaction and fair economic reward. The Association is also preparing two policy papers which it intends to present to government.
47. Robert Sloat and Steven Ness, in-house lobbyists for the Surety Association of Canada, are arranging meetings with several public office holders to inform them of Surety products and processes.
48. Donna Spalding and Greg Wirtz, in house lobbyists for the North West & Canada Cruise Association, are arranging meetings with various public office holders to provide information related to the cruise industry and cruise tourism.
49. Hal Stovall, an in-house lobbyist for Eli Lilly Canada Inc., is lobbying MLA Kevin Falcon (Surrey-Cloverdale) and Ministry of Health staff to discuss a product listing agreement and/or a drug policy.
50. Suzanne Strutt, an in-house lobbyist for the BC Recreation and Parks Association, is arranging meetings with various public office holders to discuss various topics including the association's Healthy Families Agenda, the need for recreation infrastructure renewal and development, and the role of the recreation sector in health promotion.
51. Stephanie Tan, a consultant lobbyist with Hill+Knowlton Strategies, is arranging meetings with several MLAs on behalf of her client, the Better PharmaCare Coalition, to ensure appropriate and timely BC PharmaCare program coverage, to improve coverage of medications on the drug formulary, and to encourage implementation of recommendations from the PharmaCare Task Force.
52. Stephanie Tan is also arranging meetings with a number of public office holders on behalf of Port Metro Vancouver to discuss the ongoing development of the Pacific Gateway and to continue the relationship between PMV and the Province of BC.
53. Maldwyn Thomas, a consultant lobbyist, is arranging meetings with various public office holders on behalf of his client, the Seafood Producers Association of British Columbia, to exchange views.
54. Christopher Tupper, a consultant lobbyist with Global Public Affairs, is coordinating meetings with various public office holders and his client, Cenovus Energy, to discuss the organization's role in BC's economy.
55. Christopher Tupper is also arranging meetings on behalf of the Canadian Natural Gas Initiative with various public office holders to educate them on the full value chain impact of natural gas in BC, from production to transmission to end-uses.

56. Lorne Valensky, a consultant lobbyist with Strategieswest Consulting Group, is arranging meetings with the Minister of Social Development and MLA Gordon Hogg – Surrey-White Rock (and/or their staff) on behalf of his client, LIFT, to develop a program for facilitating the exchange of ideas and for public policy development.
57. Geraldine Vance, an in-house lobbyist for the B.C. Pharmacy Association, is lobbying the Minister of Health (and/or his staff) for programs and policies that serve the interests of the BC population and are fair to pharmacists and pharmacies.
58. Andrew Wilkinson, a consultant lobbyist with McCarthy Tetrault, is arranging meetings with the Minister of Energy and Mines (and/or his staff) and staff of the Ministry of Forests, Lands and Natural Resource Operations to discuss opportunities for new wind power projects in northwestern British Columbia.
59. Meaghan Wilson, an in-house lobbyist for the Simon Fraser Student Society, is arranging meetings with the Minister of Advanced Education (and/or her staff) to discuss reducing tuition.