

# Who's Lobbying Who in BC?

## Monthly Snapshot – May 31, 2013

The following organizations and consultant lobbyists submitted their registrations under the BC *Lobbyists Registration Act* between May 1 and May 31, 2013. Here is a brief summary of lobbying that organizations and consultant lobbyists expect to carry out. The full details of each registration are searchable at [www.lobbyistsregistrar.bc.ca](http://www.lobbyistsregistrar.bc.ca).

1. Andrew Leyne, a consultant lobbyist with Hill+Knowlton Strategies, is setting up meetings with Ministry of Health staff on behalf of the Canadian Diabetes Association to raise awareness of their objectives and goals and to further diabetes education, advocacy and prevention.
2. Lorne Valensky, a consultant lobbyist with Strategies West Consulting, is helping facilitate discussions between his client, LifeLabs BC LP, and the Ministry of Health to create greater efficiencies in the delivery of laboratory services.
3. Lorne Valensky is also facilitating contact between several ministers and VIA Sport, who are seeking assistance in providing opportunities for British Columbians to participate in sport.
4. AltaGas Ltd. is lobbying the Minister of Environment and Minister of Energy, Mines and Natural Gas on a number of issues including a favourable outcome on company applications and permits for new developments (BMWP near Dawson).
5. Amgen Canada Inc. is lobbying staff of the Ministry of Health regarding reimbursement of their biotech medicines.
6. AstraZeneca Canada Inc. is lobbying several ministers on intellectual property issues, access to medicines, the drug review process as well as the Pan-Canadian Purchasing Alliance.
7. The BC Agriculture Council is lobbying several public office holders on Growing Forward 2 programs, revising or eliminating the carbon tax on food and revising how PST will apply to agriculture.
8. The BC Bioenergy Network is lobbying staff of the Ministry of Energy, Mines and Natural Gas to secure additional funding.
9. The BC Construction Association is lobbying staff of several ministries to improve and broaden education and skills training and improve government's infrastructure procurement practices.

10. BG North America LLC is lobbying several ministers on the development of their LNG export project and associated pipeline in Prince Rupert.
11. The British Columbia Medical Association is lobbying the Minister of Health and ministry staff on four policy papers the BCMA is working on with the intent of public release and promotion to government.
12. The British Columbia Real Estate Association is lobbying a number of public office holders on various issues including the property transfer tax thresholds and floodplain mapping.
13. The Chamber of Shipping of British Columbia is lobbying several public office holders on a broad range of topics including the “Beyond the Border Initiative” and new projects in the LNG, bitumen and dry bulk commodity export sectors.
14. Chevron Canada Limited is lobbying a number of public office holders on a broad range of issues including Kitimat LNG and fostering fair and equitable carbon tax treatment of refined transportation fuels.
15. Enbridge Northern Gateway Pipelines Inc is lobbying staff of various ministries to encourage government policies that would support approval and construction of the Northern Gateway Pipeline.
16. The Federation of Independent School Associations in British Columbia is lobbying several public office holders on a number of issues including access to learning resources similar to the LIF in the public sector and the property tax exemption for independent schools.
17. The Fitness Industry Council of Canada is lobbying Ministry of Health staff on the Adult and Children’s Fitness Tax Credits and the Caloric Menu legislation.
18. GS1 Canada is lobbying several public office holders on a broad range of topics including national collaboration for standards development and adoption in the healthcare supply chain.
19. The International Cinematographers Guild, IATSE Local 669, is lobbying the Minister of Finance and the Minister of Community, Sport and Cultural Development on tax credits for the film and television sector.
20. Nexen Inc. is lobbying the Minister of Energy, Mines and Natural Gas and the Minister of Environment (and/or their staff) on the sustainable development of their shale gas resources in northern BC.
21. Novartis Pharmaceuticals Canada Inc. is lobbying a number of public office holders pertaining to funding of medications and vaccines.

22. The Tides Canada Initiatives Society is lobbying several ministers and ministry staff on a number of issues including the introduction of provincial pesticide legislation and improvements to the carbon tax.
23. West Fraser Timber Co. Ltd. is lobbying Ministry of Forests, Lands and Natural Resource Operations staff on a number of topics including timber tenure reform and is lobbying British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority regarding potential bioenergy electricity sales agreements.