

WHO'S LOBBYING WHO IN BC? Monthly Snapshot – January 2021

The following organizations and consultant lobbyists re-activated or submitted new registrations under the BC *Lobbyists Transparency Act*, and they were activated between January 1 and January 31, 2021. A brief summary of lobbying activities organizations and consultant lobbyists have carried out or expect to carry out is provided. Search the Lobbyists Registry for full details of each registration at <u>www.lobbyistsregistrar.bc.ca</u>.

- 1. Kevin Ainsworth, a consultant lobbyist with VisVia Energy Partners Ltd., is lobbying public office holders in a number of public agencies on behalf of Haida Gwaii Forest Products Corporation to seek forest tenure for the client to resume lumber manufacturing activities.
- 2. Michael Ainsworth, a consultant lobbyist with Ainsworth Energy Co Ltd., is lobbying public office holders in a number of public agencies on behalf of Haida Gwaii Forest Products Corporation to seek Forest Tenure(s) on behalf of the client, and funding to offset capital costs associated with resuming operations at the client's facility.
- 3. Michael Bailey, a consultant lobbyist with Western Policy Consultants Inc., is lobbying public office holders at a number of public agencies on behalf of the Advanced Biofuels Canada Association regarding matters including transportation fuel policies and programs such as the Renewable and Low Carbon Fuels Requirements Regulation, CleanBC, carbon tax, and fuel taxes; amendment of the carbon tax to relieve biogenic carbon emissions from the tax; advocating for renewal of the BC Low-Carbon Fuel Standard; and aligning the BC Carbon Tax with the Federal Government Carbon Tax Program.

- 4. Michael Bailey, a consultant lobbyist with Western Policy Consultants Inc., is lobbying public office holders at a number of public agencies on behalf of RBB Innovations Ltd. operating as One Human Service Network, to advocate for the development of a provincial child care registry.
- 5. Philip Baldwin, a consultant lobbyist with TACTIX Government Relations & Public Affairs Inc., is lobbying public office holders at a number of public agencies on behalf of the Association of Equipment Manufacturers regarding occupational health and safety regulation and the Health, Safety and Reclamation Code for mines.
- 6. Bradley Bennett, a consultant lobbyist, is lobbying public office holders in the Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations, and Rural Development on behalf of Haida Gwaii Forest Products regarding forest policy related to commitments made in the Minister's mandate letter, specific to the value-added sector.
- Bradley Bennett, a consultant lobbyist, is lobbying public office holders in the Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations, and Rural Development on behalf of Woodco Industries Ltd. regarding provincial forest license policy, and specifically, license opportunities for the value-added sector.
- Bradley Bennett, a consultant lobbyist, is lobbying public office holders in the Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations, and Rural Development on behalf of Domtar Inc. regarding fiber supply issues and the importance of a certain Provincial license and related policies.
- 9. Tyler Bjornson, a consultant lobbyist with T. Bjornson & Associates Consulting Inc., is lobbying public office holders at a number of public agencies on behalf of the Western Grain Elevator Association with respect to the BC Government response to the federal Port Modernization Review (Canada Marine Act) and its impact on the operation of grain port terminals on the West Coast.
- 10. Maailah Blackwood, a consultant lobbyist with Crestview Strategy Inc., is lobbying public office holders in the Ministry of Tourism, Arts, Culture and Sport on behalf of Canadian Basketball Ventures L.P. operating as the Canadian Elite Basketball League, to seek a gradual return to play for professional basketball in British Columbia in accordance with provincial and local public health measure to control the spread of COVID-19, together with funding.
- 11. Nicole Brassard, a consultant lobbyist with Global Public Affairs, is lobbying public office holders in the Ministry of Jobs, Economic Recovery and Innovation on behalf of D-Wave Systems Inc. regarding the development of policy and application of quantum computing in British Columbia.

- 12. Dennis Chan, a consultant lobbyist with Pathway Advisory Services, is lobbying public office holders at the Ministry of Health on behalf of Vertex Pharmaceuticals (Canada) Inc. regarding reimbursement of patients for Vertex's medicines treating cystic fibrosis.
- 13. Lise Fenton, a consultant lobbyist with Strategies 360 Canada, is lobbying public office holders at several public agencies on behalf of Seaspan ULC regarding a grant to support development of new business opportunities in the marine transportation sector.
- 14. Nicola Hill, a consultant lobbyist with Earnscliffe Strategy Group, is lobbying public office holders at several public agencies on behalf of the BC Women's Health Foundation regarding the impact of the pandemic on women's health and programs required to support BC women.
- 15. Stephen Howard, a consultant lobbyist with Strategies 360 Canada, is lobbying public office holders at several public agencies on behalf of the Science Alberta Foundation operating as Mindfuel, to seek support from the BC government for online learning, specifically related to Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM).
- 16. Mark Jiles, a consultant lobbyist with Bluestone Government Relations, is lobbying public office holders in the Ministry of Attorney General and Minister responsible for Housing, on behalf of Lex Cortex Ltd. operating as NoticeConnect, to recommend that the government allow on-line notices to creditors for estate administration.
- 17. Catharine Kavanagh, a consultant lobbyist with Crestview Strategy, is lobbying public office holders at several public agencies on behalf of TTSG The Veritas Edge Family Office Support Ltd. regarding the insurance industry and the impacts of current government policies and regulations to clients with respect to life insurance, estate planning, and taxation.
- 18. Kyle Larkin, a consultant lobbyist with Impact Public Affairs, is lobbying public office holders at several public agencies on behalf of the Intellectual Property Institute of Canada regarding development of a first patent program to support innovative companies acquiring their first patent.
- 19. Anna Lilly, a consultant lobbyist with FleishmanHillard HighRoad, is lobbying public office holders at a number of public agencies on behalf of Metro Vancouver, to seek strategic co-investments from the Provincial Government in shovel-ready projects that will assist with economic recovery by creating jobs and protecting the environment.
- 20. Anna Lilly, a consultant lobbyist with FleishmanHillard HighRoad, is lobbying public office holders at a number of public agencies on behalf of Walmart Canada with respect to matters including policy and program recommendations regarding retail operations, supply chain management and food security,

recycling, industry product stewardship, and the distribution of influenza and COVID-19 vaccinations to pharmacies.

- 21. Keith McLaughlin, a consultant lobbyist with New West Public Affairs, is lobbying public office holders at several public agencies on behalf of the Canadian Association of Oilwell Drilling Contractors regarding matters including the Provincial Sales Tax Exemption and Refund Regulation, prorated application of the Employer Health Tax, and initiatives for the carbon capture and storage industry.
- 22. Alex McMillan, a consultant lobbyist with McMillan Solutions, is lobbying public office holders at a number of public agencies on behalf of the Mining Association of British Columbia, regarding matters including the mining industry's economic reconciliation activities with indigenous communities; changes to the administration and application of the BC Carbon Tax; and fiscal and regulatory policy changes to enhance mining industry competitiveness.
- 23. David Molinski, a consultant lobbyist with OnPoint Consulting Inc., is lobbying public office holders at several public agencies on behalf of Alpha Helium Inc. regarding petroleum and natural gas development opportunities as well as petroleum and natural gas tenures.
- 24. Rob Nagai, a consultant lobbyist with Bluestone Government Relations, is lobbying public office holders in the Ministry of Finance on behalf of Spud.ca regarding permission or license from the Province to expand the client's product lines to include the delivery of alcoholic beverages.
- 25. Richard Prokopanko, a consultant lobbyist with P. Richards Inc, is lobbying public office holders at a number of public agencies on behalf of Rio Tinto Canada Management Inc., regarding matters including climate change policies, regulations and programs, specifically on sectoral targets for greenhouse gas emissions; and tracking and management of foreign tariffs that could impact the aluminium manufacturing sector.
- 26. Jim Rutkowski, a consultant lobbyist with Counsel Public Affairs Inc., is lobbying public office holders in the Ministry of Health on behalf of FACTBC (Federation of Associations for Counselling Therapists in British Columbia) with respect to the professional title "Counselling Therapist" under the Health Professions Act or its equivalent replacement.
- 27. Scott Takenaka, a consultant lobbyist with Global Public Affairs, is lobbying public office holders at a number of public agencies on behalf of Cineplex Entertainment Limited Partnership regarding matters including streamlining British Columbia's film classification system; the liquor licensing process for theatres; and public health orders issued during the Covid-19 pandemic that impact cinemas.

- 28. Scott Takenaka, a consultant lobbyist with Global Public Affairs, is lobbying public office holders in the Ministry of Health on behalf of the Movie Theatre Association of Canada, regarding public health orders issued during the Covid-19 pandemic that impact cinemas.
- 29. Brian Teefy, a consultant lobbyist with StrategyCorp Inc., is lobbying public office holders at a number of public agencies on behalf of NCIC Inmate Communications regarding communication and technology services for correctional institutions, including provision of telephone services to inmates.
- 30. Steve Vander Wal, a consultant lobbyist with Hill+Knowlton Strategies, is lobbying public office holders at a number of public agencies on behalf of Food, Health & Consumer Products of Canada regarding matters related to the competitiveness of the food, health and consumer products sector (retail practices).
- 31. Marilyn (MJ) Whitemarsh, a consultant lobbyist, is lobbying public office holders in the Public Safety and Solicitor General on behalf of the BC Common Ground Alliance to request support to mandate "Call Before You Dig" for all entities across BC who are engaged in ground disturbance, including homeowners digging for fences, decks, play structures etc. in their back yards.
- 32. Kim Wright, a consultant lobbyist with Wright Strategies, is lobbying public office holders at a number of public agencies on behalf of Trans Canada Trail with respect to enhancement of the trail network throughout the province.
- 33. Alpha Helium Inc. is lobbying public office holders at several public agencies to outline petroleum and natural gas development opportunities and to discuss acquiring Crown petroleum and natural gas tenure.
- 34. The Association of Interior Realtors is lobbying public office holders at several public agencies with respect to matters including provincial measures to counter money laundering; changes to the Strata Property Act related to strata property insurance rate increases; improvements to the energy efficiency of existing homes through voluntary measures and incentives for property owners; and amendment of the Real Estate Services Act to create a Professional Standing Committee.
- 35. The Canadian Manufacturers & Exporters BC is lobbying public office holders at several public agencies to advocate for matters including changes to the Provincial Sales Tax applied to machinery and equipment; a program to encourage the development of made in BC products; procurement practices that use local manufacturers; financial support for investment in advanced manufacturing equipment and in green technologies; and funding for manufacturers to support investment in manufacturing equipment, particularly for development of PPE and other critical supply chain items.

- 36. The Canadian Propane Association is lobbying public office holders at a number of public agencies regarding the advancement and further use of propane as a low emission fuel.
- 37. The Chamber of Shipping of British Columbia is lobbying public office holder at several public agencies regarding changes to policies or programs that may have a direct impact on the movement and operation of international commercial vessels operating on the West Coast of Canada.
- 38. The Chemistry Industry Association of Canada is lobbying public office holder at several public agencies regarding various matters including a low carbon industrial strategy; protection of energy intensive trade exposed (EITE) sectors; opportunities for new investments in resource value-added chemical and plastics manufacturing; the regulatory framework for permitting natural gas value chain manufacturing projects; and advocating for government policy that supports a circular economy for plastics, building off Extended Producer Responsibility in BC.
- 39. The Down Syndrome Resource Foundation is lobbying MLAs and public office holders in the Ministry of Health regarding changes to prioritization guidelines in the province's COVID-19 vaccination allocation plans with respect to individuals with Down syndrome.
- 40. Ducks Unlimited Canada is lobbying public office holders at a number of public agencies regarding alignment of policy and the regulatory environment with the needs of Ducks Unlimited Canada's conservation business, and enhancing wetland conservation in BC through planning and regulatory measures.
- 41. Inclusion BC is lobbying public office holders at a number of public agencies regarding matters including equitable access for children with special needs to therapy services; infant development and supported child development programs; respite care; supports for adults with intellectual disabilities; and COVID-19 emergency responses and recovery plans that address the unique needs of people with intellectual disabilities.
- 42. The Plan Institute for Citizenship & Disability is lobbying public office holders in the Ministry of Health to ensure people with disabilities are incorporated in BC's COVID-19 Vaccination Strategy.
- 43. Palette Skills Inc. is lobbying public office holders at several public agencies to make policy and program recommendations regarding programming in the areas of reskilling and workforce development, and to seek funding for the expansion of Palette's programs to Western Canada.
- 44. The Take a Hike Youth at Risk Foundation is lobbying public office holders at several public agencies to advocate for early intervention providing supports for vulnerable youth, embedded in classrooms, and to seek funding for such programs.

- 45. Terra Remote Sensing Inc. is lobbying public office holders at several public agencies to advocate for changes in specifications and funding with respect to provincial mapping programs using LiDAR technology or similar remote sensing methods.
- 46. Thrive Health Inc. is lobbying public office holders at a number of public agencies with respect to professional services related to the deployment, content, features and upgrades of the BC Covid-19 application, as well as providing technical solutions to problems throughout the Healthcare system in British Columbia.
- 47. Uber Canada Inc. is lobbying public office holders at several public agencies regarding policy and program recommendations related to the growth of ridesharing and delivery in BC, and to provide a briefing on the delivery business model in anticipation of government-imposed commission caps for restaurants during the COVID-19 crisis.
- 48. UFV Student Union Society is lobbying public office holders at BC Transit, the Ministry of Education and the University of the Fraser Valley to advocate for changes to post secondary policies or programs related to matters including tuition, student funding and student housing.
- 49. The Umbrella Multicultural Health Cooperative is lobbying public office holders in the Ministry of Health to advocate for the Community Health Centre model for the delivery of health care, and newcomer health.

