

Who's Lobbying Who in BC?

Monthly Snapshot – August 31, 2014

The following organizations and consultant lobbyists submitted their registrations under the BC *Lobbyists Registration Act* between August 1 and August 31, 2014. Here is a brief summary of lobbying activities organizations and consultant lobbyists expect to carry out. The full details of each registration are searchable at www.lobbyistsregistrar.bc.ca.

1. Mike Bailey, a consultant lobbyist with Western Policy Consultants Inc., is arranging a meeting with staff of the Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure on behalf of Ivanhoé Cambridge to provide a briefing on the benefits of having directional signage at exits 17 and 17A interchanges on Highway 99 with regards to the Tsawwassen Mills Shopping Centre.
2. Michael Cunningham, a consultant lobbyist, is setting up meetings with the Minister of Health (and/or his staff) and several other ministers on behalf of Intermune Canada to raise awareness of idiopathic pulmonary fibrosis and treatment options.
3. David Cyr, a consultant lobbyist, is setting up meetings with the Minister of Finance and Minister of Transportation and Infrastructure on behalf of the Greater Victoria Harbour Authority to advocate for the best water, marine and marine-related use and development of the whole harbour while optimizing current and future harbour assets.
4. Dayna Dobrowolski, a consultant lobbyist with Global Public Affairs, is arranging meetings with staff of the Ministry of Health and the Provincial Health Services Authority on behalf of PKU Perspectives to become a vendor of record in government as it relates to the Inherited Metabolic Diseases program.
5. Michael Drummond, a consultant lobbyist with Earnscliffe Strategy Group, is setting up a meeting with staff of the Minister of Finance on behalf of Coast Capital Savings to provide government with options to improve credit union governance.
6. Mark Jiles, a consultant lobbyist with BlueStone Consulting Inc., is setting up a meeting with the Minister of Health on behalf of the Canadian Association of Bariatric Physicians and Surgeons to provide education on the tremendous value, innovation and cost savings they provide.

7. Adam Johnson, a consultant lobbyist with Earnscliffe Strategy Group, is arranging meetings with staff of the Premier and MLA Shirley Bond (Prince George-Valemount) on behalf of Tim Hortons to discuss a proposed investment in the company.
8. Jess Ketchum, a consultant lobbyist, is setting up a meeting with staff of the Ministry of Jobs, Tourism and Skills Training on behalf of Tourism Vancouver to increase the Vancouver Hotel Tax to enable continued and enhanced tourism marketing for Vancouver.
9. Jess Ketchum is also arranging meetings with the Minister of Justice and Attorney General and Ministry of Justice staff on behalf of the National Hospitality Group to explore the opportunity for establishing a provincial mediation/collaboration center for central BC.
10. Tamara Little, a consultant lobbyist with NATIONAL Public Relations, is lobbying the Minister of Advanced Education (and/or his staff) as well as Ministry staff on behalf of La Salle College Vancouver regarding their new Vancouver campus and the ongoing development of programs.
11. Ray Schultz, a consultant lobbyist, is setting up a meeting on behalf of the Southern Interior Beetle Action Coalition with the Minister of Forests, Lands and Natural Resource Operations to better understand possible government actions to grow the value added wood sector.
12. Bruce Young, a consultant lobbyist with Earnscliffe BC, is arranging meetings on behalf of Uber with staff of the Premier and Minister of Transportation and Infrastructure to share information about its company and business.
13. Ainsworth Engineered Canada LP is lobbying MLA Donna Barnett (Cariboo-Chilcotin), the Minister of Forests, Lands and Natural Resource Operations and Ministry staff to obtain long term forest tenure in support of the 100 Mine House oriented strandboard facility and to promote and enhance the engineered wood products industry.
14. The BC Construction Association is lobbying several public office holders on a range of topics including trades training in the high schools, apprenticeship training and development and fair, open and transparent practices within BC Hydro.
15. The B.C. Pharmacy Association is lobbying the Ministers of Health and Finance (and/or their staff) and staff of the Premier on a number of issues including funding for the rural pharmacy incentive program and improving the administration of the province's methadone maintenance program.
16. The Canadian Generic Pharmaceutical Association is lobbying Ministry of Health staff on a number of topics including development of policy concerning use of brand drug coupon cards, reimbursement of subsequent entry biologics and companies that cannot meet supply commitments for generic drugs.

17. The Canadian Life & Health Insurance Association is lobbying several public office holders on a range of issues including generic drug pricing policy, the Insurance Council of BC's proposed Conflict of Interest guidelines and the *Pension Regulations Insurance Act* amendments.
18. The Canadian Medical Association is lobbying staff of the Office of the Premier, Ministry of Health and Intergovernmental Relations Secretariat to advocate for health promotion and disease/injury prevention policies and strategies and access to quality health care.
19. Canadian Pacific is lobbying several public office holders on a number of issues including development of a provincial approach to land based spill response and development of an infrastructure for and promotion of the Pacific Gateway.
20. The Coal Association of Canada is lobbying the Minister of Energy and Mines regarding mine permitting and approval processes.
21. The Construction Labour Relations Association is lobbying a number of MLAs and public agencies on a range of topics including apprenticeship reform and revisions to the K-12 and post-secondary education systems.
22. The Council of Forest Industries is lobbying several public office holders on a number of issues including area based tenure legislation, renewal of the Softwood Lumber Agreement and the provincial response to the federal recovery strategy for mountain cariboo.
23. Ferus Inc. is lobbying MLA Bruce Ralston regarding cryogenic business opportunities.
24. Ferus Natural Gas Fuels Inc. is lobbying staff of the Minister of Energy and Mines on opportunities for liquefied natural gas.
25. FPIInnovations is lobbying the Premier and a number of ministers (and/or their staff) for the financing of forestry and forest products related research projects.
26. Futurpreneur Canada is lobbying the Premier and several ministers to seek funding in order to help young entrepreneurs start businesses.
27. General Motors of Canada Limited is lobbying several ministers concerning development or revisions to policies affecting light duty and medium duty vehicles.
28. The Health Sciences Association of BC is lobbying several MLAs and Ministers on a range of issues including the promotion of training of more health science professionals and the expansion and improvement of community social services.
29. IATSE Local 891 is lobbying the BC Labour Relations Board to ensure the BC Film Industry is competitive and attractive to ensure this industry continues to thrive in BC.

30. Imperial Oil Limited is lobbying several public office holders to encourage the repeal or amendments to B.C. low carbon and renewable fuel regulations requirements and to encourage the adoption of pro-development of fiscal policies for natural gas.
31. The Insurance Bureau of Canada is lobbying a number of public office holders on a range of issues including changes to the insurance part of the *Strata Property Act* to clarify the roles and responsibilities of condo owners and strata corporations and harmonization with Alberta of the *Insurance Act* regulatory regime regarding fire coverage.
32. The Investment Industry Association of Canada is lobbying the Premier and Minister of Finance to encourage government to address issues important to the investment industry in the annual provincial budget and to encourage the development of the Cooperative Capital Markets Regulatory System.
33. MERCK CANADA INC. is lobbying several public office holders to seek access for their products, explore partnership opportunities and engage in product listing and product agreements.
34. The Michael Smith Foundation for Health Research is lobbying several ministers and ministry staff regarding the implementation of a provincial health research strategy and continued funding.
35. Microsoft Canada Inc. is lobbying staff of the Ministry of Technology, Innovation and Citizens' Services to add additional products to their existing contracts.
36. The Mining Association of British Columbia is lobbying a number of public office holders on a broad range of issues including industry consultation with First Nations, rural post-secondary training initiatives and institutions and improvements to the mine permitting process.
37. Nexen Energy ULC is lobbying several ministers (and/or their staff) on a number of issues including fiscal terms and operational regulations that support the continued development of their shale gas resources in BC and the possible development of an LNG project on the northern BC Coast, including associated pipeline development.
38. Pfizer Canada is lobbying Ministry of Health staff regarding reimbursement of their medicines or vaccines as part of the pharmacare benefit program.
39. The Recreation Vehicle Dealers Association of BC is lobbying the Minister of Housing (and/or his staff) to modify the *Motor Dealer Act* regulations to allow the importation, sale, service and taking on trade of either Z240 or NFPA1192 recreational vehicles.

40. Westcoast Energy Inc. dba Spectra Energy Transmission is lobbying an extensive list of public office holders on a number of issues including the impact of carbon tax on the fiscal and competitive environment for the natural gas sector and the harmonization of permitting processes.
41. Weyerhaeuser Company Limited is lobbying several public office holders concerning long-term security of wood fibre for their Princeton sawmill, the impact of potential increases in electricity rates and the implementation of regulations regarding the accumulation of wood dust in wood processing facilities.