

Who's Lobbying Who in BC?

Monthly Snapshot - November 1 to November 30, 2011

The following organizations and consultant lobbyists submitted their registrations under the BC Lobbyists Registration Act between November 1 and November 30, 2011. The full details of each registration are searchable at www.lobbyistsregistrar.bc.ca.

1. Carolyn Bailey, a consultant lobbyist with Western Policy Consultants Inc., is arranging meetings with MLA Ralph Sultan (West Vancouver-Capilano) on behalf of her client, the Real Estate Institute of British Columbia, to provide information about the organization and how they could be a resource to the BC Government.
2. Gilbert Wayne Braid, an in-house lobbyist for the Society of Notaries Public of British Columbia, is lobbying the MLAs to propose new legislation for an updated *Notaries Act*.
3. Michael Brooks and Ross Curtis, consultant lobbyists, are arranging meetings with various public office holders on behalf of their client, Talisman Energy Inc., to discuss key issues in the natural gas policy and Talisman's plans for, and contribution to, the province of British Columbia.
4. Michael Brooks is also arranging meetings with various public office holders on behalf of his client, Tides Canada, to discuss environmental priorities in BC.
5. Bruce Carter and Matthew Angus, in-house lobbyists for the Greater Victoria Chamber of Commerce, are lobbying various public office holders to discuss a broad range of topics including value for money audits, the extension to Victoria International Airport and stable funding for tourism.
6. Michael Cunningham, a consultant lobbyist with Pace Group Communications, is arranging meetings on behalf of his client, the BC Pharmacy Association, with the Minister of Health (and/or his staff) to discuss pharmacy policy, re-imburement, and the scope of practice.
7. Michael Cunningham is also arranging meetings on behalf of his client, Retirement Concepts, with the Minister of Health (and/or his staff) to discuss home and community care policy.
8. Marko Dekovic, a consultant lobbyist with the Canadian Strategy Group, is arranging meetings with various Ministers (and/or their staff) on behalf of his client, Pacific Salmon Foundation, to discuss stable and sustainable funding mechanisms for BC salmon fisheries and community initiatives in preservation, conservation and rebuilding of salmon populations.

9. Audrey Diamant and Shawna Hansen, consultant lobbyists with PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP, are lobbying the Minister of Finance (and/or his staff), on behalf of their client, the BC SPCA, to include a specific exemption for the BC SPCA's activities upon the reinstatement of the BC Social Service Tax.
10. Michael Harrison, a consultant lobbyist with GCI Group, is lobbying various public office holders on behalf of his client, Vertex Pharmaceuticals Canada, to raise awareness of the Vertex brand in BC.
11. In-house lobbyists for the BC Construction Association are lobbying various public office holders on a broad range of topics including Aboriginal employment, apprenticeship training, safety standards, and procurement policies as they relate to the BC construction industry.
12. In-house lobbyists for the Cement Association of British Columbia are lobbying various public office holders on a broad range of topics including BC's climate change and air emissions policies, modification of the Wood First Act, and the sustainable benefits of cement and concrete.
13. In-house lobbyists for the Empire Life Insurance Company are lobbying the Financial Institutions Commission and the Insurance Council of BC to provide input and opinions on matters related to regulation of financial services.
14. In-house lobbyists for Talisman Energy Inc. are lobbying various public office holders on a broad range of topics including development of shale resources in BC, shale project development regulatory needs, and project specific decisions regarding company applications.
15. In-house lobbyists for Teck Metals Ltd. are lobbying various public office holders on a broad range of topics including provincial funding for skills and apprenticeship training, provincial electricity rates, and the *Clean Energy Act*.
16. Adam Johnson, a consultant lobbyist with Earncliffe Strategy Group, is arranging meetings on behalf of his client, Greyhound, with the MLAs for Cariboo-Chilcotin and Peace River South (and/or their staff) and staff of the Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure to discuss the regulatory framework pertaining to the competitive passenger bus transportation network in British Columbia.
17. Adam Johnson is also arranging meetings with the Premier and the Minister of Jobs, Tourism and Innovation (and/or their staff) on behalf of his client, Bluestar International Inc., to support Bluestar's activities on the BC Government trade mission to China.
18. Adam Johnson is also arranging meetings with the Minister of Jobs Tourism and Innovation (and/or his staff) as well as with staff of the Ministries of Finance and Jobs, Tourism and Innovation, on behalf of his client, RCI Capital Group, to educate and inform decision makers about RCI's services in an effort to encourage more immigrants to move to and invest in BC.

19. Buz Knott, a consultant lobbyist, is arranging meetings on behalf of his client, Genesis Recycling Ltd., with the Minister of Jobs, Tourism and Innovation, the Minister of Energy and Mines, and the Minister of Environment (and/or their staff) regarding opportunities for electronic parts recycling.
20. Gary Leach and Michelle Chidley, in-house lobbyists with the Small Explorers and Producers Association of Canada, are arranging meetings with the Minister of Energy and Mines (and/or his staff), to encourage government support for liquid natural gas exports to Asian markets and more natural gas drilling in BC through royalty based incentives.
21. Tamara Little, a consultant lobbyist with National Public Relations, is arranging meetings with the Minister of Jobs Tourism and Innovation and the Minister of Energy and Mines (and/or their staff), on behalf of her client, the Canada GTL Feasibility Project, to build relationships and provide ongoing updates to government.
22. Brenda Locke, an in-house lobbyist for the Massage Therapists' Association of British Columbia, is lobbying the Minister of Health and the Minister of Advanced Education (and/or their staff) to advance the RMT profession within the health care system.
23. Kirk Miller, a consultant lobbyist with KB Miller & Associates, is arranging meetings with the Agricultural Land Commission on behalf of his clients: Ecowaste Industries Ltd, to secure approvals for landfill operations; SmartCentres, to secure support for land development; and Steve and John Wynnyk, to have their property in Maple Ridge considered for removal from the ALR.
24. John Moonen, a consultant lobbyist with John Moonen and Associates, is arranging meetings with various public office holders on behalf of his client, the Corix Group of Companies, to discuss Corix's efforts to provide a water and wastewater infrastructure in BC.
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27. Geoffrey Morrison, a consultant lobbyist with Global Public Affairs, is arranging meetings with various public office holders on behalf of his client, Ferus Inc, to discuss liquid natural gas for use in transportation and onsite services for the energy industry.
28. Erin O'Toole, a consultant lobbyist with Heenan Blaikie LLP, is arranging meetings with the Premier (and/or her staff), on behalf of her client, Facebook Canada, to inquire about economic development programs in the province.

29. Geoffrey Plant, Susan Arnold, and Marcia McNeil, consultant lobbyists with Heenan Blaikie LLP, are lobbying the Ministry of Labour, Citizens' Services and Open Government, on behalf of their clients, the Business Council of British Columbia, the BC Chamber of Commerce and the Coalition of BC Businesses, to raise awareness of the implications of Bill 14.
30. Geoffrey Plant is also lobbying the Minister of Jobs, Tourism, and Innovation (and/or his staff), on behalf of his client Gitxsan Chiefs' Office, to seek provincial government financial support for Gitxsan to explore the feasibility of two economic development projects: Stewart-Omineca Resource Road and a hydro-electric power project at Cascadero Falls.
31. Stephen Potter, a consultant lobbyist with Breakthrough Forest Solutions Inc., is lobbying the Ministry of Forests, Lands and Natural Resource Operations on behalf of his client, the B.C. Lumber Trade Council, to eliminate the export tax on lumber.
32. Michael Quattrocchi, a consultant lobbyist with Young Anderson, is lobbying the Minister of Community, Sport and Cultural Development (and/or her staff), on behalf of his client, the Village of Pouce Coupe, to seek an Order under s. 155 of the *Local Government Act* with respect to municipal elections.
33. Graham Reid, a consultant lobbyist, is arranging meetings on behalf of his client, Taicheng Development Corporation, with the Minister of Forests, Lands and Natural Resource Operations and the Minister of Transportation and Infrastructure (and/or their staff) to incorporate Crown Land into their development and obtain provincial highway access.
34. Bruce Rozenhart, a consultant lobbyist with Counterpoint Communications Inc., is arranging meetings with the Minister of Environment (and/or his staff), on behalf of his client, Nestle Waters Canada, to provide an update on bottled water and recycling programs.
35. Don Stickney, a consultant lobbyist with Fleishman-Hillard, is arranging meetings with the Minister of Health (and/or his staff) on behalf of his client, the BC Society of Eye Physicians and Surgeons, to discuss health policy issues related to cataract surgery.
36. Lorne Valensky, a consultant lobbyist with Strategieswest Consulting Group, is arranging a meeting with the Minister of Finance (and/or his staff) on behalf of his client, Borealis Infrastructure, to introduce the organization to the BC Government.
37. Marilyn Whitemarsh, an in-house lobbyist for the Canadian Home Builders' Association of British Columbia, is lobbying the Minister of Energy and Mines, the Minister of Advanced Education and the Minister of Finance (and/or their staff) for the purpose of maintaining housing affordability, safety and building code issues, and the impact of the HST reversal on the building industry.

38. Bruce Young and Michael Drummond, consultant lobbyists with Earncliffe Strategy Group, are arranging meetings with the Minister of Energy and Mines, the Minister of Environment and the Minister of Jobs, Tourism and Innovation (and/or their staff) on behalf of their client, Chevron Canada, to discuss policy elements that foster a competitive BC-based refined petroleum sector.
39. Brad Zubyk, a consultant lobbyist with the Wazuku Advisory Group, is arranging meetings on behalf of his client, the Canadian Bar Association, with the Minister of Attorney General (and/or her staff) to increase awareness around issues with Legal Aid.
40. Brad Zubyk is also arranging meetings on behalf of his client, the BC Maritime Employers Association, with the Minister of Labour, Citizens' Services and Open Government and the Minister of Transportation and Infrastructure (and/or their staff) to provide a briefing on the progress of the Gateway.
41. Brad Zubyk is also arranging meetings with the Minister of Jobs, Tourism and Innovation and the Minister of Transportation and Infrastructure (and/or their staff) on behalf of his client, the Fraser Surrey Docks, to provide a briefing on the company growth strategy.
42. Brad Zubyk is also arranging meetings on behalf of his client, 3L Developments Inc., with the Minister of Aboriginal Relations and Reconciliation (and/or her staff) to discuss interim agreements with the K'omoks First Nations.