

Who's Lobbying Who in BC?

Monthly Snapshot – April 30, 2013

The following organizations and consultant lobbyists submitted their registrations under the BC *Lobbyists Registration Act* between April 1 and April 30, 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.

1. Brian Gilfillan of B D Gilfillan Law Corporation is arranging meetings with staff of the Ministry of Energy, Mines and Natural Gas and the Ministry of Forest, Lands and Natural Resource Operations on behalf of his clients Coast Forest Products Association, Interior Lumber Manufacturers Association and the Council of Forest Industries on the development of the proposed *Natural Resource Road Act*.
2. Michael Goehring, a consultant lobbyist with NATIONAL Public Relations, is setting up a meeting with staff of the Ministry of Health on behalf of Coastal Contacts to provide an update on the company's operations.
3. Mark Jiles, a consultant lobbyist with Bluestone Consulting Inc., is setting up meetings with the Minister of Health and MLA Mike Farnworth (Port Coquitlam) on behalf of Copeman Healthcare Centre to educate them about the value and innovation the company is providing.
4. Michel Liboiron, a consultant lobbyist with Environics Communications, is coordinating meetings with staff of the Ministry of Health on behalf of the Canadian Skin Patient Alliance to increase the danger of skin diseases such as non-melanoma skin cancer.
5. Greg MacEachern and Michel Liboiron, consultant lobbyists with Environics Communications, are coordinating meetings with the Minister of Justice and her staff, ministry staff and MLA Spencer Chandra Herbert (Vancouver-West End) on behalf of StubHub to put forward their case against ticket resale legislation.
6. Lindsay Parcells of Lidstone & Company is arranging meetings with staff of the Ministry of Environment on behalf of the District of Sechelt regarding the wastewater treatment facility.
7. Paul Schwartz of Paul W. Schwartz Law Corporation is setting up a meeting with staff of the Minister of Transportation and Infrastructure on behalf of the Automotive Retailers Association to deal with outstanding ICBC/ARA matters.

8. Katie Shaw, a consultant lobbyist with Global Public Affairs, is arranging meetings with staff of the Ministry of Environment and the Ministry of Energy, Mines and Natural Gas on behalf of Shell Canada to discuss future plans and developments.
9. Paul Zed, a consultant lobbyist, is setting up meetings with a few MLAs (and/or their staff) on behalf of Cisco Systems Canada Co. to discuss information technology, innovation, health and education.
10. The BC Federation of Labour is lobbying several MLAs on a number of issues including reducing childcare fees and fixing the apprenticeship system.
11. The BC Fruit Growers' Association are lobbying Ministry of Agriculture staff and the minister's staff on topics from two reports as well as several MLAs on a number of issues including agricultural support programs for the ALR.
12. The BC Shellfish Growers Association is lobbying staff of several public agencies on the denial of the Raven Coal Mine application.
13. The British Columbia Pediatric Society is lobbying the Minister of Children and Family Development and ministry staff to encourage developing waitlist data for Child and Youth Mental Health Clinics.
14. The Canadian Beverage Association is lobbying staff of the Ministry of Health regarding industry voluntary guidelines.
15. The Canadian Consumer Specialty Products Association is lobbying the Minister of Environment on pest control products.
16. The Canadian Diabetes Association is lobbying the Minister of Health to enhance the current Insulin Pump program and to ensure the provisions of the Bill aid people living with diabetes to effectively manage their disease.
17. The Comox Valley Chamber of Commerce is lobbying MLA Don McRae (Comox Valley) and staff of the Ministry of Agriculture on business and property taxes, agricultural land provisos, regional growth impact and economic changes in their community.
18. Husky Energy Inc. is lobbying several public office holders on the development of the Boreal Caribou Implementation Plan and Peace Northern Caribou Interim Guidelines.
19. The Institute of Chartered Accountants of BC is lobbying the Minister of Advanced Education, Innovation and Technology and ministry staff on the merger of the accounting profession in BC and the implementation of CPA legislation.

20. The Massage Therapists' Association of British Columbia is lobbying a couple MLAs to develop a diploma or degree program in a public university or college.
21. The Real Property Association of Canada is lobbying staff of the Ministry of Environment to promote commercial green building initiatives in BC.
22. Tervita Corporation is lobbying several ministers on environmental regulation reclamation of abandoned oil and gas infrastructure and potential management of industrial waste.
23. TRIUMF is lobbying a number of public office holders on a wide variety of topics including government assistance in planning for and acquisition of an accelerator to locally produce medical isotopes for BC that are presently imported.