

Who's Lobbying Who in BC?

Monthly Snapshot – August 31, 2013

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

1. Craig Amundsen and Robert Simpson, consultant lobbyists with PR Associates, are arranging meetings with Ministry of Environment staff on behalf of AuRico Gold Inc. to discuss the Kemess Underground Project in North Central BC.
2. Mike Bailey and Karin MacMillan, consultant lobbyists with Western Policy Consultants Inc., are setting up meetings with staff of several ministries on behalf of SAS Institute (Canada) Inc. to discover potential business development opportunities for the company.
3. Dan Jepsen, a consultant lobbyist with C3 Alliance Corp, is setting up meetings with several public office holders on behalf of Pretium Resources Inc. to introduce the company and their projects.
4. Adam Johnson and Don Stickney, consultant lobbyists with Earncliffe Strategy Group, are assisting their client, Deloitte LLP, to raise their profile and awareness about the services they bring to government by setting up meetings with staff of various minister's offices and ministry staff members.
5. Jess Ketchum, a consultant lobbyist with Ketcham Communications Ltd., is setting up meetings with several ministers (and/or their staff) on behalf of Pacific Northern Gas Ltd. to ensure government officials are conversant with the company's operations and intended projects.
6. John Les, a consultant lobbyist, is arranging a meeting with the Minister of Environment on behalf of Belcorp Environmental Services Inc. to discuss solid waste management, their opposition to garbage incineration in the Fraser Valley air shed and recycling options.
7. Donald Lidstone of Lidstone & Company is lobbying the Minister of Community, Sport and Cultural Development and Ministry staff regarding new legislation affecting the City of Powell River.
8. Donald Lidstone is also lobbying the Minister of Community, Sport and Cultural Development and Ministry staff on behalf of the District of Sechelt regarding grants and approvals.

9. Anna Lilly and Mark Reder, consultant lobbyists with FleishmanHillard, are setting up a meeting with MLA Andrew Weaver (Oak Bay-Gordon Head) on behalf of Covanta Energy to share information about waste-to-energy technology.
10. Ray Schultz, a consultant lobbyist, is arranging meetings with MLA Donna Barnett, the Minister of Energy and Mines and the Minister of Forests, Lands and Natural Resource Operations on behalf of the Southern Interior Beetle Action Coalition for government support and follow-up actions regarding a strategy prepared by the Coalition.
11. Muneesh Sharma, a consultant lobbyist, is arranging meetings with the Minister of Health (and/or his staff), ministry staff and MLA Gordon Hogg on behalf of the British Columbia Lung Association to provide an update on the many ways they are working together for the better health of British Columbians.
12. Don Stickney, a consultant lobbyist with Earncliffe Strategy Group, is coordinating meetings with staff of the Premier and several ministers on behalf of SmartCentres Inc. to raise awareness of the potential community and commercial benefits of the ALC review.
13. Chris Tupper, a consultant lobbyist with Global Public Affairs, is arranging meetings with the Minister of Natural Gas Development and Ministry staff on behalf of Imperial Oil Limited to discuss their operations in BC, including natural gas development and LNG.
14. Brad Zubyk, a consultant lobbyist with Wazuku Advisory Group, is setting up a meeting with the Minister of Finance on behalf of Scientific Games International regarding lottery and gaming policy.
15. Brad Zubyk is also lobbying Ministry of Environment staff on behalf of Urban Impact on recycling and waste management issues.
16. Brad Zubyk is arranging meetings with the Minister of Justice, MLA John Yap and the Parliamentary Secretary for Liquor Policy Reform on behalf of his client, the Hillside Liquor Store.
17. AbbVie Corporation is lobbying the Minister of Health (and/or his staff) and the Minister of Technology, Innovation and Citizens' Services to maintain reimbursement of existing AbbVie medicines.
18. Allergan, Inc is lobbying staff of the Ministry of Health for the addition of BOTOX for Neurogenic Detrusor Overactivity on the BC drug formulary.
19. The Association of Consulting Engineering Companies of BC is lobbying the Ministers of Finance and Transportation and Infrastructure to promote fair, open and transparent tendering practices for the procurement of design services.

20. Bayer Inc is lobbying several ministers on a range of issues including better access to medicines and new drug development.
21. The BC Forest Safety Council is lobbying the Minister of Forests, Lands and Natural Resource Operations and the Minister of Jobs, Tourism and Skills Training on a number of WorkSafe BC issues.
22. The BC Lodging and Campgrounds Association is lobbying MLA Donna Barnett (Cariboo-Chilcotin) and several ministers to modernize the *Tourism Accommodation (Assessment Relief) Act* to reflect increased property values.
23. Brookfield Power Services Inc. is lobbying a number of public agencies to seek the issuance of permits for energy project development and encourage the awarding of Energy Purchase Agreements.
24. The Canadian Federation of Independent Business is lobbying several ministers on a number of topics including liquor law and policy reforms and to advance the interests of BC small businesses in the context of the ongoing “Core Review” process.
25. Canadian Natural Resources Limited is lobbying several public office holders to maintain upstream oil and natural gas industry competitiveness, to enhance mineral land tenure policy, and to implement effective *Greenhouse Gas Reduction (Cap and Trade) Act* and reporting regulations.
26. The David Suzuki Foundation is lobbying a number of public office holders on a wide range of issues including changes to the BC carbon tax and suspension of grizzly bear hunting in BC’s parks and protected areas.
27. Domtar Inc. is lobbying a number of ministers and MLAs (and/or their staff) on policies regarding energy, ensuring a stable, economically viable supply of fiber to the Kamloops pulp mill, greenhouse gas emissions and cap and trade.
28. The Explorers & Producers Association of Canada are lobbying the Minister of Natural Gas Development to encourage pipeline infrastructure construction and to improve the Deep Gas Drilling Credit.
29. First Call: BC Child and Youth Advocacy Coalition is lobbying the Premier and several ministers on the establishment of a provincial child care program and a poverty reduction strategy as well as providing greater protection for children in the workforce.

30. FortisBC Energy Inc. is lobbying an extensive list of public office holders on a broad range of topics including resource development in Northeast BC and possible contracts relating to the delivery of thermal energy.
31. Gilead Sciences Canada, Inc. is lobbying Ministry of Health staff regarding the provincial listing and reimbursement of several medications.
32. Innergex Renewable Energy Inc. is lobbying several ministers and MLAs to discuss additional run-of-river energy generation in BC.
33. The Interior Lumber Manufacturers' Association is lobbying several public office holders on timber supply and limiting stumpage rates.
34. Kinder Morgan Canada Inc. is lobbying the staff of the Minister of Natural Gas Development and several MLAs to present and discuss plans for the proposed Trans Mountain pipeline expansion project.
35. Lundbeck Canada Inc. is lobbying the Minister of Health and Ministry staff as well as some public agencies with respect to access and reimbursement listing decisions for the company's portfolio of medicines.
36. Nexterra Systems Corp is lobbying a number of public office holders on a range of topics including support for biomass energy research, development and projects.
37. Siemens Canada Ltd. is lobbying an extensive list of public agencies for sales and marketing activities related to their products.
38. TransAlta Corporation is lobbying the Premier, the Minister of Energy and Mines and the Minister of Natural Gas Development (and/or their staff) for additional opportunities to generate electricity in the province.
39. Vancouver Shipyards Co. Ltd. is lobbying several MLAs and ministers on apprenticeship training and the national shipbuilding procurement strategy.