Who's Lobbying Who in BC?

Monthly Snapshot – September 2019

The following organizations and consultant lobbyists submitted their registrations under the B.C. Lobbyists Registration Act and they were activated between September 1 and September 30, 2019. Here is a brief summary of lobbying activities organizations and consultant lobbyists have or expect to carry out. The full details of each registration are searchable at www.lobbyistsregistrar.bc.ca.

- Jeff Andrus and Stephen Howard, consultant lobbyists with Gastown Strategy Group, are lobbying a number of public office holders on behalf of the BC Salmon Farmers Association regarding opportunities for fish farming in BC.
- 2. Jennifer Anthony, a consultant lobbyist with Fleishman-Hillard Canada Inc., is arranging meetings with a number of public office holders on behalf of Trans Mountain Corp. to orient government to company operations in BC, including growth and expansion plans.
- Jennifer Anthony and Juliana Martine, consultant lobbyists with FleishmanHillard HighRoad Corp., are arranging meetings with a number of public office holders on behalf of British Columbia Coast Pilots Ltd. to discuss their work and responsibilities related to assisting vessels navigating the BC coast.
- 4. Trevor Boudreau, a consultant lobbyist with tb communications, is arranging meetings with a number of public office holders on behalf of the Vancouver Airport Authority regarding YVR's work in sustainability and relation to BC's CleanBC programs.
- 5. David Denhoff and Nicole Brassard, consultant lobbyists with Global Public Affairs, are arranging meetings with staff of the Ministry of Attorney General on behalf of LeafLink Inc. in hopes of providing its full platform suite of wholesale cannabis management tools, as well as its retail wholesale ordering platform, for use by the Liquor Distribution Branch.
- 6. Michael Gardiner and Stephen Howard, consultant lobbyists with Gastown Strategy Group, are lobbying a number of public office holders in the Ministry of Finance and the Ministry of Indigenous

- Relations and Reconciliation, on behalf of WJW Land Holding GP Inc., seeking to make the government aware of the effect of the Property Transfer Tax on the holders of land originally allocated through the Tsawwassen First Nation Treaty, and within doing so is seeking an exemption from the tax pursuant to Section 37(2) of the Property Transfer Tax Act.
- 7. Jim Hart, a consultant lobbyist, is lobbying the Minister of Health and a number of MLAs on behalf of the Denturist Association of BC with respect to proposed amendments to the Health Professions Act and the Denturists Regulation.
- 8. Kimberly Haakstad, a consultant lobbyist with Global Public Affairs, is arranging meetings with a number of public office holders on behalf of the Vancouver Airport Authority regarding BC climate strategy, YVR's priorities and work in sustainability, and matters related to tourism.
- 9. Reece Harding and Amy O'Connor, consultant lobbyists with Young Anderson Barristers & Solicitors, are lobbying a number of public office holders in the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing, on behalf of the Fraser Valley Regional District, seeking remedial legislation through the Municipalities Enabling and Validating Act regarding parcel taxes.
- 10. Nicola Hill, a consultant lobbyist with Earnscliffe Strategy Group, is arranging meetings with several public office holders on behalf of the BC Public Library Partners to increase awareness of the positive impact of BC public libraries, and provincial public policy and funding impacting libraries and their communities.
- 11. Nicola Hill, a consultant lobbyist with Earnscliffe Strategy Group, is arranging meetings with the Minister of Transportation and Infrastructure on behalf of the International Union of Operating Engineers (IUOE) to support IUOE's efforts to communicate the benefits that their expertise will bring to ongoing infrastructure development in B.C.
- 12. Stephen Howard, a consultant lobbyist with Gastown Strategy Group, is lobbying a number of public office holders on behalf of Seaspan ULC to increase awareness of Seaspan ULC and its subsidiaries regarding issues related to growth and sustainability of shipbuilding, ship repair and marine industries in BC.
- 13. Stephen Howard, a consultant lobbyist with Gastown Strategy Group, is lobbying a number of public office holders on behalf of Western Forest Products with respect to a range of issues related to forest operations on the coast of BC, including timber harvesting land base, access to timber, First Nations' consultation and accommodation, log export policy, tax policies and accessing the entire forest profile.

- 14. Stephen Howard, a consultant lobbyist with Gastown Strategy Group, is lobbying a number of public office holders on behalf of Telus Corporation to discuss tax policies and the regulatory environment; to support successful outcomes of any procurement process or contract extensions TELUS is or may be engaged in with the government; and to seek support for fibre network investments and community initiatives undertaken by TELUS.
- 15. Stephen Howard, a consultant lobbyist with Gastown Strategy Group, is lobbying a number of public office holders on behalf of Tourmaline Oil Corp., seeking to make the government of British Columbia aware of Tourmaline Oil's role and practices in generating jobs and economic activity in British Columbia, and to be included in public policy discussions affecting the oil and gas industry in British Columbia.
- 16. Craig Jangula, a consultant lobbyist with Jangula and Company Consulting, is lobbying a number of public office holders on behalf of GreenPower Motor Company INC. regarding policies to support advancement and utilization of green technology.
- 17. Nicole Johnson, a consultant lobbyist with Global Public Affairs, is arranging meetings with a number of public office holders on behalf of Innovative Medicines Canada to engage the B.C. government on innovative medicines for British Columbians and job creation and growth of B.C.'s knowledge-based economy.
- 18. Zayge Klein, a consultant lobbyist with Strategies North Advisory Inc., is arranging meetings with a number of public office holders on behalf of the Williams Lake Indian Band to discuss a variety of issues including cannabis, fishing, forestry and forest tenure licenses.
- 19. Zayge Klein, a consultant lobbyist with Strategies North Advisory Inc., is arranging meetings with several public office holders on behalf of Takla Lake First Nation to discuss forestry issues and territorial reconciliation.
- 20. Martyn Lafrance, a consultant lobbyist, is lobbying a number of public office holders on behalf of Woodside Energy International (Canada) Limited regarding a variety of issues related to the Kitimat LNG Project, Pacific Trail Pipeline and Kitimat upstream activities in Northeastern British Columbia, including environmental protection; supply and procurement; employment and training for First Nations in BC; workforce strategies for LNG project construction; public policy related to energy and natural gas including taxes, royalties and other government revenues; regulatory issues; petroleum and natural gas tenure; infrastructure; and greenhouse gas emissions.
- 21. Bradley Lavigne and David Bieber, consultant lobbyists with Counsel Public Affairs Inc., are lobbying a number of public office holders on behalf of Cochlear Canada Inc. with respect to policies and

- programs regarding adult bilateral cochlear implantation in BC, and increasing awareness of the impact of waitlists for adult bilateral cochlear implantation.
- 22. Rob Nagai, a consultant lobbyist with Bluestone Government Relations, is arranging meetings with a number of public office holders on behalf of the Allied Golf Association of BC to discuss WorksafeBC regulations pertaining to the golf industry.
- 23. John Shevchuk, a consultant lobbyist with Lex Pacifica Law Corporation, is arranging meetings with a number of public office holders on behalf of the Mosaic Forest Management Corporation regarding the method of assessing private managed forests under the *Assessment Act*.
- 24. Jessica Skjeveland, a consultant lobbyist with FleishmanHillard HighRoad Corp., is arranging meetings with a number of public office holders on behalf of Recycle BC regarding Recycle BC's proposed new program plan, achievements in the program's first five years, and new initiatives related to collector partnerships, consumer education and eliminating plastic pollution.
- 25. Jessica Skjeveland, a consultant lobbyist with FleishmanHillard HighRoad Corp., is arranging meetings with a number of public office holders on behalf of Wal-mart Canada Corp to discuss developments related to Walmart's business in British Columbia and explore partnership opportunities in sustainability, energy, agriculture and innovation.
- 26. Ian Waddell, a consultant lobbyist, is arranging a meeting with the Attorney General, on behalf of the Friends of Nuchatlaht, about changing the instructions to civil crown counsel when dealing with aboriginal cases.
- 27. Advanced Biofuels Canada is lobbying several ministers regarding transportation energy policies and programs, including the Renewable and Low Carbon Fuel Requirements Regulation (RLCFRR), carbon tax and other policies, statutes, regulations and standards to support production and use of advanced biofuels in BC.
- 28. The Alliance of British Columbia Students is arranging meetings with a number of public office holders regarding a variety of issues including needs-based grants for low- and middle-income students, a 2% cap on international student tuition, and funding for specific programs.
- 29. The BC Care Providers Association is lobbying several public office holders on a number of issues including funding and policy changes to address human resource challenges in BC's continuing care sector; funding of a Safety Training and Equipment Program for front line employees in BC's continuing care sector; recommendations regarding the independence of the Office of the Seniors Advocate; support for new long-term care and assisted living spaces; discussion of costs of the

- Employers Health Tax for contracted care providers; and expansion of education and training opportunities for community health workers, health care aides and licensed practical nurses.
- 30. The BC Centre for Aquatic Health Science (BC CAHS) is lobbying a number of public office holders to discuss funding for fisheries research and future research needs; policy regarding aquaculture regulations; and future Ministry needs in fish health management.
- 31. The BC Dental Association is lobbying staff of the Ministry of Health to discuss collaborative delivery of better oral healthcare to British Columbians.
- 32. The BC Teachers' Federation is lobbying a number of public office holders on a range of issues including measures to address teacher shortage, and recruitment and retention issues; implementing the call to action of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission (TRC), including the teaching of Aboriginal languages, history, culture and ways of knowing in public schools; improving supports, funding, communications, opportunities and outcomes for children in care; support for students with special needs; discussion of essential service designation and bargaining structures; discussion of Bill 8 (Employment Standards Amendment) and Bill 30 (Labour Relations Code).
- 33. The British Columbia Wine Institute is lobbying a number of ministers regarding a range of matters related to the wine industry in BC, including BC winery and wine store licencing, BC liquor policy review, interprovincial barriers to wine trade, North American Free Trade Agreement and USA Mexico Canada Agreement negotiations.
- 34. Brookfield Energy Marketing Inc. is lobbying several public office holders to seek the issuance of permits or other approvals or exemptions for new and existing energy projects, to encourage the awarding of Energy Purchase Agreements, and to encourage the development of energy policy that facilitates renewal, development and expansion of opportunities for independent power producers.
- 35. The Canadian Consumer Speciality Products Association is lobbying the Premier, the Minister of Environment and Climate Change Strategy, and Ministry staff, regarding legislation related to pest control products, and end of life management of packaging and paper waste materials, solvents and flammable liquids, and pesticides.
- 36. The Canadian Federation of Independent Business is lobbying a number of public office holders on a broad range of issues including implementation of government recycling programs; CleanBC; environmental handling fees and environmental regulation; cannabis; taxation; Insurance Council of British Columbia; labour shortages; and WorkSafeBC.
- 37. The Canadian Fuels Association is lobbying several ministers regarding a range of issues including renewable fuels and low carbon fuels regulation requirements, carbon pricing mechanisms, EITE

- (Energy Intensive Trade Exposed) refining industry protection; air, water and contaminated sites standards and policies; fuels tax and carbon tax regulations; and the Transportation of Dangerous Goods policy directive.
- 38. The Canadian Home Builders' Association of BC is lobbying a number of public office holders on prompt payment legislation, and market housing affordability as part of the larger housing plan.
- 39. Canfor Corporation is lobbying a number of public office holders on a range of issues related to B.C.'s forest policy regulatory regime, including the "Interior Forest Sector Renewal" process; opportunities to advance reconciliation with Indigenous peoples and expanding economic participation and partnerships; policies regarding caribou conservation; Government's review of the tenure transfer application of replaceable forest licences; and the softwood lumber dispute.
- 40. Canopy Growth Corporation is arranging meetings with a number of public office holders to discuss the applicability of the Farm Practices Protection Act to operations, and to provide an overview of farm operations in BC.
- 41. Central 1 Credit Union is lobbying the Minister of Finance (and her staff) and staff of the Financial Institutions Commission regarding the legislative and regulatory regime for the BC credit union system and to ensure the lending capacity of credit unions.
- 42. The Commercial Bear Viewing Association is arranging meetings with a number of public office holders to develop and promote responsible bear viewing strategies in British Columbia.
- 43. The Denturist Association of BC is lobbying the Minister of Health and a number of MLAs with respect to proposed amendments to the Health Professions Act and the Denturists Regulation.
- 44. The Downtown Vancouver Business Improvement Association is lobbying a number of public office holders to effect changes to the Vancouver Charter regarding the Business Improvement Area renewal process and to discuss issues around property crime offenders.
- 45. D-Wave Systems Inc. is lobbying several public office holders to establish a quantum computing application ecosystem in BC.
- 46. First Call: BC Child and Youth Advocacy Coalition is lobbying a number of public office holders on several issues including development of quality, affordable, accessible child care; enhancement of supports and tuition waiver access for youth from care; removal of barriers to post-secondary education for low-income students; and improvement of employment standards for children and youth.

- 47. Geoscience BC is lobbying a number of public office holders to provide an update and overview of Geoscience BC's projects in an effort to encourage long-term, predictable funding for the organization.
- 48. The Greater Victoria Chamber of Commerce is lobbying several ministers on a number of issues, including investment in worker training and in student housing in the Greater Victoria region, investment in child care, investment in mental health and addictions treatment, fair taxation, development of climate change solutions that work for business, and fair, transparent regulation of cannabis.
- 49. The HeliCat Canada Association is lobbying a number of public office holders regarding the following subject area policies and programs, as they relate to the helicopter and snowcat skiing sector in BC: occupational health & safety; BC Parks, wildlife and related matters; and land management and adventure tourism.
- 50. Innergex Renewable Energy Inc. is lobbying a number of public office holders to discuss the benefits of renewable energy, climate policy and other issues relevant to the renewable energy sector.
- 51. Janssen Inc. is lobbying several public office holders to discuss public reimbursement policies and programs related to innovative pharmaceutical treatments and co-diagnostics, and to explore research and partnership opportunities.
- 52. Louisiana-Pacific Corporation is lobbying a number of public office holders regarding a number of issues including environmental regulation of the pulp and paper sector; forestry policy, specifically the preparation of Forest Stewardship Plans under the Forest Act; the forest licence renewal process; cost sharing arrangements for snow slide chutes; and the "Southern Mountain Caribou Recovery Implementation Plan".
- 53. Lundbeck Canada Inc. is lobbying a number of public office holders with respect to policies respecting medicine reimbursement programs such as BC PharmaCare and BCCA reimbursement policies, as well as market access for Lundbeck's portfolio of medicines and listing of Lundbeck's products for reimbursement purposes.
- 54. Navigata Communications Limited is lobbying staff of the Ministry of Citizens' Services regarding opportunities related to the procurement of telecommunications services.
- 55. The Rick Hansen Foundation is lobbying a number of public office holders on a range of issues including SCI research and care and discussions on accessibility as it relates to economic growth, employment and social inclusion in BC.

- 56. SFU Community Corporation is lobbying MLA Katrina Chen to discuss the proposed Burnaby Mountain Urban Transit Gondola project and other public transportation topics specific to UniverCity and the Burnaby Mountain Community.
- 57. TC Energy Corporation is lobbying a number of public office holders on several topics including government support for Coastal GasLink Pipeline, NOVA Gas Transmission Ltd. and Prince Rupert Gas Transmission Project, and the construction and long-term operation of one or more gas pipelines to Kitimat and/or Prince Rupert from the northeast gas producing regions.
- 58. Teck Resources Limited is lobbying a number of public office holders on a variety of issues including reclamation bonding; permitting; BC-US transboundary matters; water quality; biodiversity and wildlife management; environmental assessment; tax competitiveness; UNDRIP legislation; and climate change policy.
- 59. Western Forest Products is lobbying a number of public office holders regarding policies and regulations regarding volume, competitiveness, value and certainty for forest operations on the coast of BC., as well as work place safety related to manufacturing and harvesting in the forestry sector.
- 60. Western Stevedoring Company Ltd. is lobbying several ministers regarding the current review of the BC Ports Property Tax Act and the potential effect on jobs, supply chain interference, and export related customer and investor confidence due to taxation risk.