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## Alberni Valley Chamber of Commerce representing local businesses at BC Chamber AGM

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**Port Alberni, May 15, 2014** – The Alberni Valley Chamber of Commerce will be representing the views of local businesses at the BC Chamber of Commerce Annual General Meeting and Conference, May 22-24 in Richmond.

“We’ll be attending this event to make sure our local businesses’ views are heard and understood at the provincial level, and that our local needs help drive the BC Chamber’s policy and advocacy agenda,” said Bill Collette, Executive Director of the Alberni Valley Chamber of Commerce.

The BC Chamber of Commerce Annual General Meeting and Conference is held in a different B.C. community each year. The event is the largest annual business policy-building forum in the province.

Every year, member Chambers of the BC Chamber develop and submit policies for the consideration of their peers. This year, 45 policies have been forward and will be voted on at the AGM policy sessions. Each policy must receive two-thirds of votes to pass. If the policy passes, it will become official BC Chamber policy, and the BC Chamber will advocate it to appropriate tiers of government.

“We will take stands on the proposed policies, based on what our community needs,” said Collette. “We are proud to be going to the BC Chamber AGM, to enable our community to actively shape business advocacy in B.C.”

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