

Manufacturers, Suppliers and Professional Services Providers Division Meeting
Thursday, April 22, 2021, 2:30-4:00pm
Virtual – Microsoft Teams

AGENDA

The Vancouver Regional Construction Association assigns the highest priority to full compliance with both the letter and the spirit of the Competition Act, and it is vital that this meeting be conducted in a manner consistent with that policy. During its meetings and programs, the Vancouver Regional Construction Association will not condone or permit any discussions—official or unofficial—of price-fixing, boycotts, refusals to deal, blacklisting, market allocation, supply restrictions or other anti-competitive activity. If, at any time during the course of the meeting, the Association staff or any member present believe that a sensitive topic under the Act is being discussed, or is about to be discussed, they will so advise the chair of the meeting and ask that further discussions cease. Attendees at this meeting should likewise not hesitate to voice any concerns they may have in this regard. Any discussion or commercial dealings with one's competitors may create the appearance of a Competition Act violation, even though none may exist. Therefore, such discussions should be avoided at all times before, during and after this meeting.

1.	Welcome and Call to Order <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Approve Agenda b. Approve previous Minutes – November 18, 2019 	Chair/All	2:30-2:40pm
2.	Recap – M&S Division Terms of Reference <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Division Terms of Reference: Manufacturers & Suppliers Division meetings provide a forum for Manufacturers, Suppliers and Professional Service Providers to understand VRCA's vision and objectives and interact for industry benefit, including on industry advocacy issues. <p>Areas of focus include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Market viability; o Design; o Contracts; o Subtrades/suppliers; o People; and o Safety 	TS	2:40-2:45pm
3.	M&S Division Updates <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Provincial advocacy update – Community Benefits Agreement b. Recap of yesterday's TC Division Meeting which CBA representative Sarah Zaharia & Tim Sportschuetz attended as guests c. Prompt Payment Regional Advocacy Discussion <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. In the context of local government, which issue(s) cause the greatest concern for industry e.g. procurement, permitting? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o What is the impact of the issues? o What are the suggested solutions to the issues e.g. are there policy or process changes that industry would like to see in place? b. How should VRCA prioritize its regional advocacy work? 	TS/NB	2:45-3:05pm
4.	Open Forum <p>Note: this meeting is for the benefit of you, the members, so we encourage open discussion of any industry-specific issues you may be facing, for example, Community Benefits Agreement, permitting delays, and/or prompt payment legislation.</p>	TS/NB	3:05-3:45pm

5.	Summary – Next Steps a. Create a list of regional advocacy issues identified at the GC, TC and M&S Division meetings.	TS	3:45-3:50pm
6.	New Business a. Engagement in the M&S Contractors Division	TS/All	3:50-3:55pm
7.	In Camera (as needed)	TS	3:55-4:00pm
8.	Adjournment (motion required to approve adjournment)	TS	4:00pm