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NEW WEBSITE IMPROVES ACCESS TO LABOUR DATA

VICTORIA – Employers, unions, researchers and the public now have instant access to the latest information on collective agreements in B.C., announced Labour and Citizens' Services Minister Olga Ilich.

Visitors to www.bcbargaining.ca can find information on the status of labour negotiations throughout the province and the latest data on settlements, expiring agreements, work stoppages and wages. The website is a result of collaboration between the Ministry of Labour and Citizens' Services, the B.C. Federation of Labour, the Business Council of British Columbia and the Labour Relations Board.

“This site is an example of what can be accomplished when government, business and labour groups work together,” said Ilich. “Now employers, unions and labour relations professionals can gather the information they need, when they need it.”

“This website will contribute to a healthier collective bargaining environment because unions, employers and the public will have access to information on recent trends in bargaining and the labour market,” said B.C. Federation of Labour president Jim Sinclair.

“Employers in B.C. will find valuable information on this site – credible information that will improve their entire labour relations process,” said Virginia Greene, president and CEO of the Business Council of British Columbia.

In addition to being a hub for labour relations information in British Columbia, the site also streamlines the reporting process to the Labour Relations Board. When submitting their collective agreement information to the website, employers and unions now also satisfy the requirement to file a copy with the board.

“The information will be invaluable in furthering the respectful, solution-oriented approach to labour relations which is being fostered in the province,” said Brent Mullin, chair of the Labour Relations Board.

As part of the collaboration, www.bcbargaining.ca will provide updated reports that will be available to all labour relations professionals at no cost.

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