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VIA EMAIL: bccattle@cattlemen.bc.ca

Brian Thomas, President
BC Cattleman's Association
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Kamloops, British Columbia

Dear Brian Thomas:

Thank you for your letter dated January 29, 2024, to Minister Bruce Ralston, requesting a change in representative for the BC Cattlemen's Association on the minister's Forest and Range Practices Advisory Council (PAC). I have been asked to respond.

I understand that Mike McConnell, a long-standing member of the PAC, has chosen to step down and want to thank Mike for his contributions and wealth of knowledge of the ranching sector, which he generously shared.

I appreciate you putting forward a replacement for Mike and look forward to engaging with Clint Lambert at the next meeting. My staff will reach out to Clint regarding a non-disclosure agreement and provide him the Terms of Reference and other background materials.

Thank you to the BC Cattlemen's Association for your continued support and engagement in the PAC; it is essential for our collective success.

Again, thank you for writing and sharing your concerns.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Shane Berg". The signature is stylized and fluid, with a large loop at the end.

Shane Berg, R.P.F.
ADM Chief Forester

pc: Honourable Bruce Ralston, Minister of Forests