



British Columbia Herdshare Association

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The Honourable Dr. Terry Lake, Minister of Health
Province of British Columbia
Room 337
Parliament Buildings
Victoria, BC V8V 1X4

Dear Minister,

We would like to briefly meet with you to introduce our organization, the British Columbia Herdshare Association. We are a non-profit organization which serves the herdshare community of British Columbia. Our mandate is to promote local, direct, farm-to-consumer commerce in fresh dairy and meats via direct consumer co-ownership of a farm or herd.

We appreciate your focus on a healthy lifestyle for citizens of our province. For people who want to maintain a healthy lifestyle, it is important to find local food sources close to home.

We share the vision of your government, of a vibrant free-enterprise economy and growing British Columbia via local initiatives, building local markets, and creative innovation. Local commerce will help preserve the family farm, especially small farms, and will help grow and diversify B.C. agricultural economy and provide jobs.

We would like to request 10 minutes of your time, at your convenience, to discuss some ideas we would like to present for renewing and updating the regulation of unprocessed milk and dairy products. Our organization would like to talk about ways in which this safe, healthy, nutritious product could be provided legally to those consumers who wish to access it.

Sincerely yours,

Ms. Jacqueline Ingram
President and Spokesperson,
British Columbia Herdshare Association