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Victoria and Central Vancouver Island Canadian Home Builders' Association amalgamate to create CHBA-Vancouver Island

BURNABY, September 29, 2014 – The Canadian Home Builders' Association of BC (CHBA BC) is pleased to announce the amalgamation of its CHBA-Victoria and CHBA-Central Vancouver Island local associations into one strengthened association: CHBA-Vancouver Island. The merger offers members all the benefits of CHBA BC membership at three levels; local, provincial and national including access to the latest in education and training, advocacy, Georgie Awards®, SAM Awards and conferences while allowing for greater efficiencies at the local level.

“We are excited about the possibilities that merging our two branches offers and to representing all of Vancouver Island,” said CHBA-Vancouver Island President Chris Cross. “Together, we will be a stronger voice for our members.”

The amalgamation will be celebrated at a meet and mingle reception on October 1, from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. at the Comfort Inn on Blanshard Street in Victoria. President Cross will be joined there by CHBA's national CEO Kevin Lee, CHBA BC President Rob Capar and CHBA BC CEO Neil Moody. In addition, FortisBC will give a presentation entitled Energy Outlook & Rebate Information. The reception is open to Victoria-area members as well as others interested in learning more about CHBA membership and its plans for the future. Please contact Kelsey (admin@chbacvi.com) at the CHBA-Vancouver Island office if you are interested in attending.

“One of the benefits of our amalgamation is the opportunity to offer members a local awards program,” added Cross. “We look forward to announcing on October 1 to our new merged membership that CHBA-Vancouver Island will host our first VIBE Awards (Vancouver Island Building Excellence Awards) which will highlight the excellence in residential construction on the island.”

The Canadian Home Builders' Association of BC, www.chbabc.org, is the voice of the residential construction industry in British Columbia representing more than 1,500 members through an affiliated network of nine local home-building associations located throughout the province. The industry contributes over \$15.8 billion to British Columbia's economy, and provides 134,500 jobs, making our industry one of the largest employers in the province.

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