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Mayor Ward Stamer and Council  
District of Barriere  
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Dear Mayor Ward Stamer and Council:

**Re: Recycling Council of British Columbia's (RCBC) 46<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference on Circular Economy**

Established in 1974 as Canada's first non-profit waste prevention organization, RCBC is at the forefront of collaborating with businesses and local governments to promote both a sustainable environment and economy throughout the regions of our province.

This year's conference theme - **2020 Foresight: Transforming Tomorrow** – is set to run June 10 - 12, 2020 in Whistler, B.C. Of particular note is our keynote speaker, Vancouver Economic Commission (VEC) Director Bryan Buggiey. With the knowledge that the transition to a low-carbon circular economy is a massive economic opportunity, Bryan shares his thoughts on the progressive municipal, provincial and federal priorities related to climate change and regional economic development. You'll hear how Vancouver's integrated Greenest City Action Plan, Renewable City 2050, and Zero Waste 2040, fit within Vancouver's business community and how similar initiatives can be applied to other regions. Bryan outlines how the VEC is accelerating the transition by supporting innovation, trade, investment and the move to a circular economy.

Programming for RCBC 2020, [www.rcbcconference.ca](http://www.rcbcconference.ca), will also include:

- extended producer responsibility
- provincial & federal plastics initiatives
- compostable plastics
- youth-led sustainability initiatives

As well, we plan to address a variety of waste, recycling, and diversion-related issues your council may be facing now or in the near future. We provide a three-day experience of policy development workshops, presentations, and opportunities to network with professionals and area experts to become better informed. Representatives from BC's industry stewards (eg. RecycleBC and Return-It), are attending, as well as the BC Ministry of Environment.

Our public policy work includes a Government Caucus Round Table to identify areas of policy priority on the Wednesday afternoon of June 10. So please join us at Canada's longest running sustainability event, the annual RCBC Conference on Circular Economy, now in its 46<sup>th</sup> year.

Thank you for your continued support. Let us keep working together to make a waste-free province through the application of sustainable circular economy principles. If you have any questions, you can reach me at 604-683-6009 ext. 307 or at [brock@rcbc.ca](mailto:brock@rcbc.ca).

Sincerely,

Brock Macdonald  
Chief Executive Officer