



JOINT ANNOUNCEMENT

Alberta One-Call Corporation to Acquire The Alberta Common Ground Alliance

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Calgary, Alberta**

The Boards of Directors from the Alberta Common Ground Alliance (ABCGA), acting on the encouraging demonstration of support in a Special Meeting today, and Alberta One-Call Corporation (AOC) have agreed to the acquisition of the ABCGA by AOC to support damage prevention in Alberta.

“I look forward to the opportunities today’s decision provides damage prevention stakeholders. Working together eliminates duplication and will assist us in our pursuit for legislation”, explains Darcy Hurlock Chair of the ABCGA.

“Based on the issues influencing today’s economy, consolidating services from organizations with similar interests allows our collective objectives to continue, grow and improve”, added Fraser Paterson, Chair of AOC.

Both organizations are committed to improving public, worker and community safety, and protecting Alberta’s underground infrastructure and the environment. Over the next eight months, a new structure will be formed that will commence joint operations January 1, 2021.

Darcy Hurlock
Chair - ABCGA

Fraser Paterson
Chair – AOC

The ABCGA is a not-for-profit organization governed by a Board of Directors and is the Alberta Regional Partner of the Common Ground Alliance (USA). Its role is to advocate, identify, validate, and promote the adoption of effective ground disturbance and damage prevention best practices; and, the exchange of accurate and timely information during the damage prevention process.

AOC is a private, not-for-profit corporation providing a communication service between people who intend to disturb the ground and buried utility operators registered with Alberta One-Call, ClickBeforeYouDigMB (Manitoba) and Saskatchewan First Call.