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SAMA HOSTS 2011 ANNUAL MEETING IN REGINA

The Saskatchewan Assessment Management Agency (SAMA) is holding its 2011 Annual Meeting on Thursday, April 14th in Regina.

Representatives from municipal governments throughout the province will meet at 9:30 a.m. in the Shumiatcher Room at the Conexus Arts Centre.

The Annual Meeting will provide a forum for delegates to review the Agency's achievements and plans for the future. Neal Hardy, SAMA's Chair, will provide the annual report from the Board of Directors, review SAMA's 2010 Audited Financial Statements and provide a look ahead to the 2013 Revaluation.

The 2011 Annual Meeting will offer three information sessions:

1. Hotel and Motel Assessment Changes for 2011
2. 2013 Assessment Trends – An Initial Report
3. Board of Directors Open Forum – Looking Ahead to 2013

These sessions seek to explain some of the complex facets of the property assessment system, while focusing on the future of the assessment industry.

Delegates will also hear updates from representatives from Prince Albert, Saskatoon, Swift Current and Regina, the four cities that provide their own assessment valuations.

“Looking ahead to the 2013 Revaluation it will be important for SAMA to continue to work cooperatively with municipalities, the provincial government and local government associations,” SAMA Chair Neal Hardy said. “Because of these partnerships, SAMA is able to fulfill its mandate to deliver a cost-effective property assessment system that is up-to-date, universal, stable, equitable and understandable.”

Regina Deputy Mayor Mike O'Donnell, and Van Isman, Deputy Minister of Municipal Affairs, will also address delegates at SAMA's Annual Meeting.

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