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**SUBJECT:** Lower Mainland Zone Report

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Since our last report of January 21, 2011 we have had two zone meetings.

The first meeting was held on Saturday March 5, 2011, on site of a 6 storey wood frame being built in Richmond. It was held on a Saturday in order to have daylight, making it safer to go through an active construction site. Even though the meeting was held on a Saturday it was well attended with over 60 members, some from outside the Lower Mainland. The group was divided into two, with Khash Vorell from GHL Consultants giving the members an excellent technical tour and Suk from the Canada Wood Council supplying a full lunch and drinks. The Directors would also like to thank Simon Ho from Oris Consulting Limited for making this meeting possible.

Our second meeting was held at Shelter Industries Inc. in Aldergrove. For those of you who are not aware Shelter Industries is the company building all the new school buildings for the Province. These buildings are not the same as the old style portables that we have had in the past. They are designed as a building with all the requirements of the current code and beyond. The presenter Nigel Harrison, Manager of Marketing and Sales, gave the group a 30 minute presentation of what Shelter is all about and how the concept to these new school buildings came to be. After the presentation Rich Munn, Manufacturing Manager, spoke of issues and items that had to be dealt with in the moving of the buildings and special features added in for future uses such as data lines, rough-in for kitchens, the high energy furnaces that can run off of several different fuel sources, etc. We then had a tour of the facilities in which we were shown each stage of these high end building. Current production time from start to finish is 9 days but we were told that they will need to reduce this down to 5 days to meet the time scheduling which will be achieved with two full crew shifts.

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At this meeting two members, Teresa Agnew from Sunshine Coast Regional District and Jagdeep Johal from the Township of Langley, were sworn in as RBO's. Congratulations to both of you.

Frank Durante's name was put forth for the vacant Zone Director position. Frank accepted and was nominated by the attending members. Also Michael Barclay, from the City of Surrey, volunteered to stand as an alternate and was nominated as the alternate Zone Director.

The Zone Directors welcome any suggestions for future meetings and can be reached by email or phone as listed below.

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