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Strategic business development initiative for Alberta, British Columbia and Switzerland initiated by the Swiss Canadian Chamber of Commerce

- Under the leadership of SCCC President, *Mr. Thomas Amgwerd*, we are pleased to announce that our Chamber has now started its expansion into Calgary, Alberta Canada.
- An industry analysis initiated by *Mr. Andreas Bayer*, SCCC Director and Honorary Consul of Switzerland in Alberta, produced a report indicating that Calgary is home to 50+ Swiss and Swiss Canadian companies.
- On April 29, 2008, at the AGM of the Swiss Canadian Chamber of Commerce, two executives based in Calgary were elected to our Board of Directors to represent Alberta, *Mr. Andreas Bayer* and *Dr. Benno Nigg*.
- On May 1, 2008, *Mr. Walter Deplazes*, SCCC Director and Consul General of Switzerland in Vancouver, *Mr. Erich Amgwerd*, SCCC Director and *Dr. Benno Nigg*, SCCC Director (Alberta), met with key members of the Swiss Business Community in Calgary to further explore Chamber expansion into the province of Alberta.
- Participants at the above function endorsed the opportunity to grow the chamber and welcomed the objective to promote and conduct business initiatives between Alberta, British Columbia and Switzerland. Attendees included senior members of the Oil & Gas, Energy & Utility, Financial, Investment, Insurance, Travel / Tourism and Environmental industries.

Please stay tuned for further SCCC developments in Alberta.

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