

# Underground Network

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## SCGA Organization Changes

The SCGA would like to welcome two new board members to the Organization; Derrick Mann and Kevin Adair.



Derrick is Acting Vice President of Engineering, Integrity and Construction for SaskEnergy. He has a great deal of experience and has been a strong leader in several association.



Kevin is Vice President of Customer Services and Operations for SaskTel. He has his Bachelors of Administration and is a CPA and CMA.

Both Derrick and Kevin will provide strategic vision and strong financial direction for the SCGA.

## The Saskatchewan Pipeline Amendment Act

On November 28, 2016, The Pipelines Amendment Act, 2016 (Bill 43) was tabled for First Reading in the Legislature of Saskatchewan. The Bill will be considered by the Legislature in the spring of 2017. In preparation for the spring session, the Saskatchewan Ministry of the Economy is undertaking stakeholder consultations on the content of the proposed Bill. For background information for these consultations, including an overview of the proposed changes and new regulatory authorities [Click Here](#).

Consultation participants are advised to monitor the progress of the Bill by visiting the website of the Legislature of Saskatchewan at: [Click Here](#)

The debate on the Bill will occur after second reading during the spring session of 2017. The consultation process is in support of finalizing any changes that the Government of Saskatchewan might introduce by way of amendment at that time. Please note that the Legislature of Saskatchewan will make the final decision on any amendments. Please direct any comments or questions about the proposed amendments to:

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## Bill S-229 Communications Campaign

### What you can do to help!

The SCGA and our friends at the CCGA have made some very big strides over the past two years – providing witness testimony at two Senate Committee studies, chairing the development of CSA Z247, *Damage prevention for the protection of underground infrastructure*; and, most notably, development and introduction of Bill S-229, The [Underground Infrastructure Safety Enhancement Act](#), by Senator Grant Mitchell in our Upper Chamber.

While Bill S-229 will only govern damage prevention requirements for federally regulated underground infrastructure and underground infrastructure on federal lands, it is a positive and significant milestone for Canada and for the CCGA. It is our hope that Bill S-229 will become a model for similar initiatives in all provinces and territories across Canada.

I encourage you, and your organizations to support Bill S-229 by engaging with your friends, family, colleagues, contacts, and elected officials by following [@CanadianCGA](#), [@DigSafeCanada](#) and the #S229 hashtag on Twitter, and by sharing the CCGA's Facebook posts ([DigSafe Canada](#) and the [Canadian Common Ground Alliance](#)).

Additionally, I encourage you to take part in our letter-writing campaign. We've included instructions and quick links on [this page / cette page](#) of the CCGA website to assist your support efforts. By using the following letter drafts found [HERE](#) (English) and [HERE](#) (French) on the CCGA's website, you can complete your support quickly and efficiently.

- Letter to Elected Officials and Senators from Regional Partners
- Letter to Elected Officials and Senators from stakeholder groups
- Letter to Elected Officials and Senators from individual
- Letter to be used internally with your organizations and work places

We do ask that you bcc: Mike Sullivan at [msullivan@canadiancga.com](mailto:msullivan@canadiancga.com) on your correspondence so we can keep track of the communications.

## 2017 Contractor Safety Breakfasts

We are coming to a community near you in April 2017. Register TODAY to ensure you receive all the details when they become available!!

**RSVP NOW**

### CALENDAR REMINDERS FOR 2016/17

December	2016 Membership & Sponsorship Fees PAST DUE
Feb 6-7	<a href="#">2017 INDUSTRIAL SAFETY SEMINAR</a>
April	Contractor Safety Breakfasts