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**Attend a Certified Aboriginal Business Information Session in Vancouver!**

**Toronto, Ontario – March 4, 2014** – The Canadian Council for Aboriginal Business (CCAB) introduces the “Certified Aboriginal Business” program to British Columbia. This Canada-wide directory of certified Aboriginal businesses is publicly-available on [www.ccab.com](http://www.ccab.com) and also provides a place for CCAB business members to publish tender opportunities for the Aboriginal business community.

“Increasingly, corporations have begun to realize the value that Aboriginal businesses bring to the table, but it’s not always obvious where to find Aboriginal contractors and suppliers,” says JP Gladu, president and chief executive officer, Canadian Council for Aboriginal Business. “By creating a searchable, countrywide database of certified Aboriginal businesses, we are providing a starting point for those looking to source a new supplier.”

In addition to serving as a resource for Aboriginal businesses to profile their company, the program also ensures each registered business receives a designated logo and a physical certificate verifying Aboriginal ownership.

To learn more about this initiative, CCAB invites you to attend an Information Session in Vancouver, BC on March 25, 2014 at the Coast Coal Harbour Hotel. To register for this free event, please rsvp to Luanne Whitecrow at [lwhitecrow@ccab.com](mailto:lwhitecrow@ccab.com) by Friday March 21st, 2014.

**About the Canadian Council for Aboriginal Business**

CCAB is committed to the full participation of Aboriginal people in Canada’s economy. A national non-profit organization, CCAB offers knowledge, resources, and programs to both mainstream and Aboriginal owned companies that foster economic opportunities for Aboriginal people and businesses across Canada.

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