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## News Release

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### **SAMA HOSTS 2012 ANNUAL MEETING IN SASKATOON**

The Saskatchewan Assessment Management Agency (SAMA) is holding its 2012 Annual Meeting on Tuesday, April 17<sup>th</sup> in Saskatoon.

Representatives from municipal governments throughout the province will meet at 9:30 a.m. in the Saskatchewan B Room at the Saskatoon Inn.

The theme for the 2012 Annual Meeting is “Preparing for the 2013 Revaluation.”

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, and review SAMA’s 2011 Audited Financial Statements.

The 2012 Annual Meeting will offer three information sessions:

1. 2013 Assessment Trends – Expectations and Implications
2. Planning for the 2013 Revaluation – Communication Plans and Tools
3. Board of Directors Open Forum – Open to all topics including the 2013 Revaluation

These sessions seek to explain some of the upcoming changes to assessed values, and how SAMA is preparing for these changes, while also focusing on the future of the assessment industry in Saskatchewan.

“SAMA is charged with developing, regulating and delivering a stable, cost-effective assessment system that is up-to-date, universal, equitable and understandable,” SAMA Chair Neal Hardy said. “SAMA strives to maintain effective communications and positive relationships with our municipal clients and stakeholders.”

Delegates will hear updates from representatives from SAMA’s administration as well as from Prince Albert, Saskatoon, Swift Current and Regina, four cities that provide their own assessment valuations.

Saskatoon Mayor Donald J. Atchison, and Van Isman, Deputy Minister of Municipal Affairs, will also address delegates at SAMA’s Annual Meeting.

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