

November 25, 2008

BCLTA and TILMA

Attention Library Board Chairs/BCLTA Liaisons:

As noted in a previous bulletin, the BCLTA Board will be receiving a presentation on the BC/Alberta Trade, Investment and Labour Mobility Agreement (TILMA) at an upcoming Executive meeting. The presentation will be given by a Sub-Committee of the BC Library Association's Information Policy Committee, which has been tasked with exploring the impact of TILMA on BC libraries in response to a resolution passed at BCLA's AGM in April 2008

(www.bcla.bc.ca/Resolutions%20Committee/Tilma2008.pdf)

Resolution on TILMA - 2007

(www.bcla.bc.ca/Resolutions%20Committee/tilma.pdf).

BCLTA will be considering a formal policy position on TILMA once the Executive is fully informed on the issue and members have had a chance to provide feedback. To this end, Board Member Andre Isakov has been appointed as BCLTA liaison to the BCLA TILMA Sub-Committee, and a report entitled *TILMA – Key Implications for BC Libraries* (researched and written by Ellen Gould, commissioned by BCLA) is hereby transmitted to BCLTA members for information and comment. (Please see attached document.)

We welcome any questions, concerns or comments regarding the foregoing. Please contact BCLTA's Executive Director, Errin Morrison, at execdirector@bclta.org or get in touch with your regional designate on the BCLTA Board (see www.bclta.org/exec.html).