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Jock Finlayson is Executive Vice President and Chief Policy Officer at the Business Council of British Columbia, an association representing 250 large and mid-size BC companies that together account for approximately one-quarter of all jobs in the province. In this capacity he directs the Council's work on economic, fiscal, tax, environmental and regulatory issues of interest to the province's business community. Mr. Finlayson previously served as Vice President of Research at Canadian Council of Chief Executives, a leading national business association in Ottawa. Prior to that he worked in the market research and public opinion polling field and gained experience at two Canadian management consulting firms.

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