PRESENTATION SUMMARY

PRINCE GEORGE PUBLIC HEARING DATED 10 MAY 2004 AT THE PRINCE GEORGE CIVIC CENTRE

THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION IS A BRIEF SUMMARY OF THE PRESENTATION TO THE CITIZENS' ASSEMBLY ON ELECTORAL REFORM. IT ATTEMPTS TO CAPTURE THE KEY ISSUES AND ARGUMENTS THAT WERE PRESENTED AND DISCUSSED DURING THE PUBLIC HEARING. IN SOME INSTANCES, THE PRESENTER HAS ALSO MADE A SUBMISSION TO THE ASSEMBLY AND THIS IS ACCESSIBLE VIA THE WEBSITE AT www.citizensassembly.bc.ca By CLICKING ON "GET INVOLVED". IF SUCH A SUBMISSION IS AVAILABLE, IT WILL BE NOTED AT THE END OF THIS REPORT.

Paul Eberlein

DESCRIPTION OF PRESENTATION

An alternative electoral system is a first step toward the ultimate goal of a non-partisan governing coalition.

KEY THEMES

Paul Eberlein spoke very briefly and argued that the existing political system doesn't work because it promotes single-party government. He stated that introducing an alternative electoral system is an effective first step towards a more proportional administration. Mr Eberlein would ideally like to see the province government by a non-partisan coalition working together to implement reasonable ideas.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Paul Eberlein recommended changing the current electoral system to ensure that a single party cannot govern alone.

QUESTIONS, ANSWERS AND COMMENTS FROM THE PANEL

There were no questions or comments from the panel.

QUESTIONS, ANSWERS AND COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE

There were no questions or comments from the audience.

SUBMISSION: NO