SHARE expands shareholder engagement and education teams

VANCOUVER – SHARE adds three staff to its pension education and active ownership teams.

The Shareholder Association for Research and Education (SHARE) is pleased to announce the appointment of Brooke Sundin to the new position of Pension Programme Director, Dr. Paula Barrios as Research Analyst – Environment, and Bernelle Yan as the new Outreach and Events Coordinator.

Brooke Sundin brings more than 20 years of pension expertise and knowledge in multi-employer pension plans and has served as a trustee and chair of the Local 1518 United Food and Commercial Workers Union (UFCW) Pension Plan. Brooke is a noted labour leader, serving recently as President of the 26,000-member Local 1518 of the UFCW, as one of the union’s International Vice-Presidents, and as an officer of the British Columbia Federation of Labour. Brooke will develop and expand SHARE’s pension education programme, including the Pension Investment and Governance courses as well as SHARE’s national pension forum series.

Paula Barrios will add significant capacity to SHARE’s shareholder engagement programme and active ownership services. Paula, who recently received her Ph.D. in law from the University of British Columbia, has been doing research on environmental issues for over seven years and will bring her rich experience in international environmental law to SHARE. She has previously worked for Colombia’s Ministry of Environment, the International Institute for Sustainable Development’s Earth Negotiations Bulletin and the United Nations Office in Nairobi (UNON). Paula will lead SHARE’s shareholder engagement program on environmental issues.

Bernelle Yan, in her capacity as Outreach and Events Coordinator, will build awareness for SHARE’s events, coordinating courses and pension conferences and carrying out communications campaigns. Bernelle, a recent graduate from Simon Fraser University with a degree in Communications, brings public relations and event coordination experience from the BC Cancer Agency as well as the Pacific Assistance Dogs Society.

All staff members can be reached directly via email or by phone at 604-408-2456. SHARE is excited to have all three on board as the organization expands its services to responsible investors.

About SHARE: The Shareholder Association for Research and Education (SHARE) is a social enterprise that promotes, coordinates and implements responsible investment practices. Since its creation in 2000, SHARE has carried out this mandate by providing active ownership services, including proxy voting, engagement services and consulting, as well as education, policy advocacy and practical research on emerging responsible investment issues. Visit www.share.ca for more information.

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