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INDUSTRY TRAINING AUTHORITY RECOGNIZED AS ONE OF THE BEST WORKPLACES IN BC

RICHMOND, xʷməθ kʷəy̓əm (Musqueam) – Once again, Industry Training Authority (ITA) is excited to announce it has been named as one of the Best Workplaces in B.C. by Great Places to Work. ITA prides itself on having an inclusive and collaborative environment and appreciates that having the honour of being one of the Best Workplaces in the province wouldn't be possible without its dedicated team members.

ITA is built on its core values of, Inclusion, Respect, Excellence, Innovation and Collaboration and believes that when employees feel supported, it creates an environment for success. ITA's efforts to provide a positive workplace for its people include:

- professional development program
- parental leave top-up
- annual Healthy Employee allowance
- inter-departmental job shadowing program

"We love being one of B.C.'s Best Workplaces because it's a great reflection of the great people that work here," says Shelley Gray, CEO, ITA. "Inclusivity, innovation and collaboration is a big part of our internal approach and we feel very lucky to be surrounded by individuals that care for the successes of fellow co-workers as well as external partners across the province."

"I joined ITA because of its amazing core values and I've never seen another organization that strives each day to uphold these values like ITA," says Sneha Satheendran, Special Projects Coordinator. "As a new immigrant, the support and open mindedness of the team has been amazing. ITA is and will always be my first family in Canada."

"One of the greatest things about being a part of ITA is its people," says Benjamin Cole, Customer Service Representative, ITA. "The supportive environment at ITA makes it easy to help apprentices achieve success along their apprenticeship journey, which has been very rewarding."

ITA has over 100 employees, mostly head quartered In Richmond, traditional territory of the Musqueam People, and 20 employees located across the province. From those in Customer Experience that work directly with apprentices and employers, to those that work behind the scenes to keep B.C.'s skilled trades training system world-class, every employee's contribution is vital to ITA's success. With the common goal of ensuring that all involved along the apprenticeship journey are successful, ITA team members collaborate across the organization to find innovative and sustainable approaches to trades training for all British Columbians.

About Industry Training Authority

The Industry Training Authority (ITA) leads and coordinates British Columbia's skilled trades system. ITA works with apprentices, employers, industry, labour, training providers and government to fund training, issue credentials, support apprenticeships, set program standards and increase opportunities in the trades. For more information and a full list of Board directors, visit itabc.ca.

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