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STAKEHOLDER FOCUS AT SAMA 2003 ANNUAL MEETING

The Saskatchewan Assessment Management Agency (SAMA) is holding its 2003 Annual Meeting on April 10th in Regina.

Representatives from municipal governments and school divisions throughout the province will gather at the Centre of the Arts to hear rural, urban and educational reports from SAMA's Board of Directors, the Chief Executive Officer's administrative report, and the Chairman's Address by Bill Reader.

"This annual meeting will focus on SAMA's commitment to understanding stakeholder needs and to broadening our assessment services," Reader said. "SAMA continues to progress as an agency, providing the highest quality property assessment services while improving the efficiency of our operations."

SAMA's progress includes launching the Saskatchewan Property Assessment Network, or SPAN. The new SPAN system will be able to maintain a more robust, accessible database, and provide property assessment information more rapidly to government, stakeholders and customers.

Other topics to be discussed at this year's meeting include the 2002 Assessment Manual, the upcoming 2005 revaluation, and matters relating to the resolutions debate.

The Honourable Ron Osika, Minister of Government Relations, and Pat Fiacco, Mayor of Regina, will also address the delegates at SAMA's Annual Meeting.

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