

## Deputy Minister, Small Business Talks Red Tape Reduction with ASTTBC



MJ Whitmarsh, Manager, Strategic Partnerships and ASTTBC CEO (far right) meet with Deputy Minister of Small Business Development and Red Tape Reduction, Tim McEwan. An ASTTBC cedar eagle feather carved by Salish artist Len McKay was presented to Tim.

Tim McEwan, Deputy Minister of Small Business and Red Tape Reduction met recently with ASTTBC representatives MJ Whitmarsh and John Leech to talk about red tape reduction and a survey on small and medium size enterprises (SME) that ASTTBC is conducting with its members. Developed jointly by Ministry staff, Small Business BC and ASTTBC, the SME survey will help define ASTTBC members' involvement and role with SMEs as well as members' need for services and training. The results will be published in the early part of 2016.

On red tape reduction ASTTBC reported on the status of a call for ASTTBC members to offer their views on areas in Government where change might achieve greater effectiveness. "Some great ideas have emerged from this request," said ASTTBC Manager, Executive Initiatives, Jacqueline de Raadt, who is managing the project.