

Dear Spencer Chandra Herbert:

Craig James, the Acting Chief Electoral Officer has asked me to respond to your enquiry on his behalf.

In 2009, Elections BC used a mail-based enumeration process and sent enumeration notices to all registered voters and to all residences that Canada Post directly reaches. This was combined with a media campaign and outreach supported by EBC's Liaison Officers. EBC also enumerated long-term-care facilities and worked to reach out to homeless individuals and other underrepresented or highly mobile groups.

During an election we require the District Electoral Officers to identify First Nations and other groups in their districts, to support the electoral processes and to obtain election workers. We also use this information to dispatch enumerators as required by law.

More information can be found in the "[Report of the Chief Electoral Officer on the 2009 Enumeration.](#)"

Section 42 of the *Election Act* requires Elections BC to conduct a province-wide door-to-door visitation prior to the fixed-date 2013 Provincial General Election. If a provincial general election is called before that time, a targeted enumeration, similar to the enumeration conducted prior to the 2009 General Election will be conducted.

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