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## **NEWS RELEASE**

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## Incident: Deputy Chief Rick Lucy Retires from the APD

## Abbotsford – March 12, 2015

Deputy Chief Rick Lucy has announced his retirement from the APD. He began his policing career with the Abbotsford Police Department in 1982 and held a variety of assignments within the organization from his 7 year tenure with the tactical team to his time as a Critical Incident Commander and Officer-in-Charge of the Emergency Response Team.

In May 2012, Rick received the Order of Merit for Police Forces which recognized national achievement for commitment to public safety and community development. In November 2012 he received the Queen Elizabeth II Jubilee Medal in recognition of his many achievements and significant contributions to Special Olympics BC.

Rick is looking forward to new challenges as the "Advisor on Policing and Public Safety" with the City of Windhoek, Windhoek City Police and Namibian Police. For the past several years, the APD and Windhoek City Police have engaged in many exchanges that have created close ties between the Canadian and Namibian cities and police departments.

Over the course of his career, Rick Lucy has embodied both community and police leadership. He has been a coach, a neighbour, a friend, a colleague and a Deputy Chief of Police simultaneously. He will be missed by all of us at the APD. Please watch this goodbye tribute we created for Rick .... <u>http://youtu.be/kGK-9flsS0k</u>

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