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For some, the decision to make a change is a quiet, subtle process that plays out over months and sometimes years. For Hansine Ullberg Kostelecky CA, however, the turning point arrived with a crash—literally. In 2009, Hansine was living in Drumheller and commuting back and forth into Calgary for her role as VP, Finance with a Calgary-based mining company. One morning, travelling on an icy Highway #9, a car coming in the opposite direction lost control and hit her head-on. “The worst part was the unknown. I was worried about my children...the other driver...it was a horrible experience,” she recalls.

Fortunately, Hansine made a full recovery and the incident, while traumatic, was the catalyst she needed to chase a dream—establishing her own CA firm, Numberz. “As an accounting professional for 20 years, I really enjoy building long-term relationships so even though I had been working on the industry side, I always knew I would return to public practice. I believe it is extremely valuable to have the

experience of being on both sides of the desk.”

Today, with her decision made to seize the day, and with her client base growing daily, Hansine envisions continuing to build the Numberz brand and expanding to multiple locations, including Calgary, where she already services a number of clients. “I think there is a market for sophisticated, consistent and quality CA services at an affordable price for medium-sized businesses and business owners, and that is what I can deliver.”

With her passion, energy, and well-rounded experience, there is no doubt Hansine will succeed. “I am so lucky in so many ways. Professionally, I have had the opportunity to experience everything from being a part of the Calgary Flames organization to ringing the opening bell on the American Stock Exchange to travelling through Europe and North America on financing trips. I have worked in entertainment, oil and gas, mining, manufacturing and high tech. It truly has been a very exciting and rewarding ride—and then, of course, I have this great family that shares my vision and passion for Numberz.”

- *Chris Pilger*