Broadcasting Public Notice CRTC 2008-79

Ottawa, 8 September 2008

Notice of consultation

Applications received Various locations

Deadline for submission of interventions/comments: 13 October 2008

The Commission has received the following applications:

[Broadcasting intervention/comments form]

Item Applicant and Locality

1. Glassbox Television Inc.

Across Canada Application No. 2008-1076-4

2. Saskatchewan Telecommunications

Province of Saskatchewan Application No. 2008-1044-1

1. Across Canada Application No. 2008-1076-4

Application by **Glassbox Television Inc.** to amend the licence of the English-language Category 2 specialty programming undertaking known as BITE TV (formerly Short TV).

The licensee proposes to amend item (b) of the service's nature of service to permit BITE TV to draw programming from programming categories 8b (music video clips) and 8c (music video programs).

The licensee indicates that it would accept a limit of 15% on Category 8b and 8c as follows:

No more than 15% of all programming broadcast over the broadcast day and the evening period (measured in each case during the broadcast semester) shall be devoted to material drawn from category 8b or 8c.



For the purpose of these conditions of licence, the term 'broadcast semester' shall mean the total number of hours devoted by the licensee to broadcasting during the aggregate of the broadcast months in a six month period, beginning 1 September 2008.

The licensee states the ability to air short films, videos and computer-produced segments drawn from categories 8b and 8c will enable BITE TV to better meet the needs and interests of Canadian audiences and short screen producers.

The licensee adds that the ability to air programming similar to that which its counterparts are able to air will enable BITE TV to continue to evolve with its audiences and users in an increasingly competitive environment.

Licensee's address:

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Examination of application:

At the licensee's address

2. Province of Saskatchewan Application No. 2008-1044-1

Application by **Saskatchewan Telecommunications** (SaskTel) to amend the licence of its regional, English-language video-on-demand (VOD) programming undertaking.

The licensee proposes to replace the condition of licence relating to closed captioning which reads:

No later than 1 September 2008 and until the end of the licence term, the licensee shall caption at least 90% of all titles in its inventory.

with the following condition:

No later than 1 September 2008 and until the end of the licence term, the licensee shall caption at least 90% of all titles in its inventory, excluding titles made available as part of its outlet for local expression.

The licensee makes this request noting that minimal, if any, requirements for captioning have been imposed on local expression/community programming.

SaskTel also notes the limited resources available for its local expression/community programming.

According to the licensee, the additional costs to close caption would result in a 20% reduction in the amount of local expression/community programming they produce.

Licensee's address:

2121 Saskatchewan Drive, 12th floor Regina, Saskatchewan S4P 3Y2

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Examination of application:

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Public Participation

Deadline for Interventions/Comments

13 October 2008

The intervention must be received by the CRTC and by the applicant on or before the above-mentioned date. The Commission cannot be held responsible for postal delays.

Your intervention will be considered by the Commission, and will form part of the public record of the proceeding without further notification to you, provided the procedure set out below has been followed. You will be contacted only if your submission raises procedural questions.

Submit your written intervention to the Secretary General of the Commission in **only one** of the following formats:

by using the

[Broadcasting intervention/comments form]

or

by mail to CRTC, Ottawa, Ontario K1A 0N2

or

by fax at 819-994-0218

A true copy must be sent to the applicant and proof that this has been done must accompany the intervention sent to the Commission.

The Commission advises those who file and serve by electronic mode to exercise caution when using e-mail for service of documents or notification, as it may be difficult to establish that service has occurred.

Before initiating service through electronic mode, please ensure that you will be able to satisfy the Commission, upon request, that service of the notification was completed.

Where the intervention is filed by electronic means, the line ***End of document*** should be entered following the last paragraph of the document, as an indication that the document has not been damaged during electronic transmission.

Each paragraph of the document should be numbered.

Your intervention should clearly identify the application and indicate whether you support or oppose the application, or if you propose changes to it, include the facts and grounds for your proposal.

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Examination of Documents

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Documents are also available during normal office hours at the local address provided in this notice and at the Commission offices and documentation centres directly involved with these applications or, upon request, within 2 working days, at any other CRTC offices and documentation centres.

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