Broadcasting Notice of Consultation CRTC 2009-770

Ottawa, 10 December 2009

Notice of application received

Across Canada

Deadline for submission of interventions/comments: 14 January 2010

The Commission has received the following application:

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Applicant and Locality

1. CTVglobemedia Inc.

Across Canada Application No. 2009-1372-4

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Application by **CTVglobemedia Inc.** (CTVgm) to amend the broadcasting licence for the specialty television programming undertaking The Sports Network (TSN) to incorporate the new conditions of licence described in *Conditions of licence for competitive Canadian specialty services operating in the genres of mainstream sports and national news*, Broadcasting Regulatory Policy CRTC 2009-562, 4 September 2009 (Broadcasting Regulatory Policy 2009-562), in which the Commission announced standard conditions of licence for competitive Canadian mainstream sports and news specialty services.

The licensee also states that it wishes to retain its current definition of "broadcast day" as it applies to the conditions of licence for TSN, rather than adopt the definition of this term contemplated in Broadcasting Regulatory Policy 2009-562, which reads as follows:

"broadcast day", in respect of a licensee, means the period of up to 18 consecutive hours, beginning each day not earlier than six o'clock in the morning and ending not later than one o'clock in the morning of the following day, as selected by the licensee.

The licensee notes that the definition of "broadcast day" that currently applies to the conditions of licence for TSN is the same as that originally proposed by the Commission in *Proposed conditions of licence for competitive Canadian specialty services operating in the genres of mainstream sports and mainstream national news* – Notice of consultation, Broadcasting Public Notice CRTC 2008-103, 30 October 2008, which reads as follows:



"broadcast day" means a 24-hour period beginning at six o'clock in the morning, or any other period approved by the Commission.

CTVgm contends that operating with an 18-hour broadcast day would negatively affect its programming strategies. Specifically, CTVgm stated that it would act as a disincentive for the service to invest in and broadcast live Canadian programming from the West Coast, since TSN will no longer receive full credit for airing Canadian sporting events from Western Canada that exceed the time limit set for an 18-hour broadcast day.

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Examination of application:

At the licensee's address

Public Participation

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The intervention must be received by the Commission and by the applicant on or before the above-mentioned date. The Commission cannot be held responsible for postal delays and will not notify a party whose intervention is received after the deadline date. The intervention will not be considered by the Commission and will not be part of the public file.

Interventions will be considered by the Commission and will form part of the public record of the proceeding without further notification to intervening parties, provided the procedure set out below has been followed. Parties will be contacted only if their submissions raise procedural questions.

Written interventions should be submitted to the Secretary General of the Commission in **only one** of the following formats:

by using the

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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.

Parties must ensure that, before initiating service through electronic mode, they will be able to satisfy the Commission, upon request, that service of the notification was completed.

Submissions longer than five pages should include a summary.

Each paragraph of the submission should be numbered. In addition, 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.

Interventions should clearly identify the application referred to and indicate whether parties support or oppose the application, or, if they propose changes to it, include the facts and grounds for their proposal.

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The Commission encourages interested parties to monitor the public examination file and the Commission's website for additional information that they may find useful when preparing their interventions/comments.

Examination of documents

An electronic version of the application is available from the Commission's website by selecting the application number within this notice.

A list of all interventions will also be available on the Commission's website. An electronic version of all interventions submitted will be accessible from this list. To access the list, select "Lists of interventions/comments" under "Public Proceedings" from the Commission's website.

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 this application, or, upon request, within two (2) working days, at any other Commission offices and documentation centres.

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