Broadcasting Notice of Consultation CRTC 2010-156

Ottawa, 16 March 2010

Notice of application received

Across Canada

Deadline for submission of interventions/comments: 20 April 2010

The Commission has received the following application:

[Broadcasting interventions/comments form]

Applicant and locality

1. CTVglobemedia Inc. (CTVgm), on behalf of its subsidiary Le Réseau des sports (RDS) inc.

Across Canada Application 2010-0123-9

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Application by **CTVglobemedia Inc.**, on behalf of its subsidiary Le Réseau des sports (RDS) inc., to amend the broadcasting licence for the national, French-language specialty programming undertaking known as Le Réseau des sports (RDS).

CTVgm requests that RDS's conditions of licence be replaced with the standard conditions set out 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.

However, CTVgm also requests that RDS be required to close caption only 50% of its programming in the current broadcast year and be allowed to increase the level of closed captioning to 100% over the next three years. According to CTVgm, RDS needs this flexibility because of specific challenges associated with the captioning of Frenchlanguage programming in the genre of mainstream sports.

CTVgm noted that under RDS's current conditions of licence, the licensee is required to caption 50% of all programming throughout the remainder of the current licence term.



Licensee's address:

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Examination of application:

At the licensee's address

and

Le Réseau des sports (RDS) inc. 1755 René-Lévesque Blvd. East Suite 300 Montréal, Quebec

Public participation

Deadline for interventions

20 April 2010

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

[Broadcasting interventions/comments form]

or

by mail to CRTC, Ottawa, Ontario K1A 0N2

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.

Important notice

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The personal information that parties provide will be used and may be disclosed for the purpose for which the information was obtained or compiled by the Commission, or for a use consistent with that purpose.

Documents received electronically or otherwise will be put on the Commission's website in their entirety exactly as received, including any personal information contained therein, in the official language and format in which they are received. Documents not received electronically will be available in PDF format.

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As a result, a general search of the Commission's website with the help of either its own search engine or a third-party search engine will not provide access to the information that was provided as part of this public process.

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.

Examination of documents

An electronic version of the applications 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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