



## Broadcasting Notice of Consultation CRTC 2011-379-4

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Additional references: 2011-379, 2011-379-1, 2011-379-2 and 2011-379-3

Ottawa, 28 September 2012

### Notice of hearing

**19 November 2012**

**Gatineau, Quebec**

**Licence renewals for the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation's French- and English-language services**

**Evening sessions for participants and information on revised programming budgets**

[\[Submit an intervention/comment/answer or view related documents\]](#)

Further to Broadcasting Notices of Consultation 2011-379, 2011-379-1, 2011-379-2 and 2011-379-3, the Commission announces the following:

#### Evening sessions for participants

The Commission may schedule one or more evening sessions of the public hearing in order to accommodate parties who cannot appear during regular office hours. Parties interested in appearing during an evening session must request to do so in their intervention by the closing date of 5 October 2012, and advise the Commission whether they would want to attend an English- or French-language evening session.

As noted in Broadcasting Notice of Consultation 2011-379-3, the hearing will be held in Gatineau, Quebec. However, parties may participate from the Commission's regional offices via videoconference. Parties interested in doing so are asked to indicate, at the time they file their interventions, the regional office where they wish to appear. A list of the Commission's regional offices is included in this notice.

The Commission will consider requests by parties who cannot appear at one of the Commission's regional offices to participate from another location, where circumstances may warrant, via telephone or videoconference. Parties must justify their request and provide reasons why telephone or videoconference from another location would be necessary.

#### Information on revised programming budgets

In its reply of 14 September 2012 to an additional information request, the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation (the CBC) indicated that it would be filing revised programming budgets broken down by genre on 26 October 2012.

The Commission received letters from the Writers Guild of Canada, the Documentary Organization of Canada and the Directors Guild of Canada expressing concerns about the 26 October date and recommended either that the Commission request that the CBC file this information on 28 September (one week in advance of the close of comment period); or that the comment period be extended and the public hearing be delayed.

The Corporation filed a response indicating that it is prepared to provide this information by 12 October.

When the Commission receives this additional information from the Corporation, it will announce the manner by which interested persons will be able to file interventions on this information.

Parties that wish to appear at the public hearing commencing 19 November 2012 must still submit their requests by 5 October 2012.

## **Procedure**

### **Deadline for interventions or answers**

**5 October 2012**

### **Deadline for replies by the licensee**

**15 October 2012**

The new *Canadian Radio-television and Telecommunications Commission Rules of Practice and Procedure*, SOR/2010-277 (the Rules of Procedure), set out, among other things, the rules for content, format, filing and service of interventions and answers of respondents, the procedure for filing confidential information and requesting its disclosure, and the conduct of the public hearing. Accordingly, the procedure set out below must be read in conjunction with the Rules of Procedure and its accompanying documents, which can be found on the Commission's website under "CRTC Rules of Practice and Procedure."

An intervention or an answer from a respondent must be filed with the Commission and served on the applicant on or before the above-mentioned date. An answer from a respondent must also be served on any other respondent.

In accordance with the Rules of Procedure, a document must be filed with, not merely sent to, the Commission by 5 p.m. Vancouver time (8 p.m. Ottawa time) on the date it is due. The Commission takes no responsibility for postal delays and will not notify a party whose submission is received after the deadline date. Late submissions will not be considered by the Commission and will not be made part of the public file.

The intervention or answer must include one of the following statements in either the first or the last paragraph:

1. I request to appear at the public hearing.
2. I do not want to appear at the public hearing.

The applicant, respondents and interveners are permitted to coordinate, organize and file, in a single submission, interventions of other interested persons who share their position but do not wish to appear at the hearing as a “Joint Supporting Intervention.” More information on how to do so and a template for the covering letter to be filed by the parties can be found in *Changes to certain practices for filing interventions – Expansion of filing practices to include the filing of joint supporting comments for broadcasting policy proceedings*, Broadcasting Information Bulletin CRTC 2010-28-1, 10 December 2010.

Interventions and answers will be considered by the Commission and will form part of the public record of the proceeding without further notification to parties, provided the procedures set out in the Rules of Procedure and this notice have been followed. Parties will be contacted only if their submissions raise procedural questions.

Submissions must be filed by sending them to the Secretary General of the Commission by **only one** of the following means:

**by using the**  
[\[Intervention/comment/answer form\]](#)

or

**by mail to**  
CRTC, Ottawa, Ontario K1A 0N2

or

**by fax at**  
819-994-0218

A true copy of each intervention or answer from a respondent must be sent to the applicant and, in the case of a respondent to an application, to any other respondent.

The Commission advises those who file and serve by electronic mode to exercise caution when using e-mail for service of documents, 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 was completed. The sender must keep proof of the sending and the receipt of the document for 180 days after the day on which it is filed.

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 altered during electronic transmission.

Interventions and answers must 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.

In the event that an application to be considered during the non-appearing phase of the hearing is brought to the oral phase of the hearing, and if parties wish to appear, they must provide reasons why their written interventions or answers are not sufficient and why an appearance is necessary. Parties requiring communication support must state their request on the first page of their intervention. Only those parties whose requests to appear have been granted will be contacted by the Commission and invited to appear at the public hearing.

Persons requiring communications support such as assistance listening devices and sign language interpretation are requested to inform the Commission at least twenty (20) days before the commencement of the public hearing so that the necessary arrangements can be made.

### **Important notice**

All information that parties provide as part of this public process, except information designated confidential, whether sent by postal mail, facsimile, e-mail or through the Commission's website at [www.crtc.gc.ca](http://www.crtc.gc.ca), becomes part of a publicly accessible file and will be posted on the Commission's website. This information includes personal information, such as full names, e-mail addresses, postal/street addresses, telephone and facsimile numbers, and any other personal information parties provide.

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.

The information that parties provide to the Commission as part of this public process is entered into an unsearchable database dedicated to this specific public process. This database is accessible only from the web page of this particular public process. 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 parties and interested persons to monitor the record of the proceeding, available on the Commission's website, for additional information that they may find useful when preparing their submissions.

### **Examination of documents**

An electronic version of the applications is available on the Commission's website by selecting the application number within this notice. It is also available from the applicant, either on its website or upon request by contacting the applicant at its email address set out in Broadcasting Notice of Consultation CRTC 2011-379, 17 June 2011.

A list of all interventions and answers will also be available on the Commission's website. The list is accessible by selecting "View all proceedings open for comment" from the "Public Proceedings" section of the Commission's website and clicking on the "Interventions/Answers" link associated with this notice.

Documents are also available during normal office hours at the Commission offices and documentation centres directly involved with these applications, or, upon request, within two (2) working days, at any other Commission offices and documentation centres.

### **Location of Commission offices**

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#### ***Regional offices***

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