



Broadcasting Decision CRTC 2007-358

Ottawa, 28 September 2007

Standard Radio Inc.

Richmond and Vancouver, British Columbia

Applications 2007-0759-9 and 2007-0758-1, received 15 May 2007

Public Hearing in the National Capital Region

27 August 2007

Digital radio programming undertakings to serve Richmond and Vancouver

1. The Commission **approves** the applications by Standard Radio Inc. (Standard) for broadcasting licences to operate digital radio programming undertakings (DRPUs) associated with its existing stations CISL Richmond and CKZZ-FM Vancouver. The terms and **conditions of licence** are set out in the appendix to this decision.
2. The Commission did not receive any interventions in connection with these applications.
3. Standard filed these applications to normalize its operations for the purpose of an application by Astral Media Radio Inc. (Astral) to acquire the assets of certain radio and television undertakings from Standard. Astral's application is approved today in Broadcasting Decision 2007-359.
4. The Commission recognizes that some of the conditions of licence imposed on the DRPUs approved today may restrict the licensee's ability to experiment during the periods of separate programming. The licensee may wish to file an application to amend its DRPU licence if it considers that additional flexibility is needed to make full use of the periods of separate programming for this purpose. The Commission would be prepared to deal with such an application expeditiously.
5. Because Standard is subject to the *Employment Equity Act* and files reports concerning employment equity with Human Resources Development Canada, its employment equity practices are not examined by the Commission.

Secretary General

Related documents

- *Acquisition of assets*, Broadcasting Decision CRTC 2007-359, 28 September 2007
- *Digital radio policy*, Broadcasting Public Notice CRTC 2006-160, 15 December 2006

- *Administrative renewals*, Broadcasting Decision CRTC 2007-302, 13 August 2007

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Appendix to Broadcasting Decision CRTC 2007-358

Terms, conditions of licence and expectation

Issuance of broadcasting licences to operate digital radio programming undertakings in association with CISL Richmond and CKZZ-FM Vancouver

Each licence will expire 31 August 2008. This licence term will enable the Commission to consider the renewal of these licences at the same time as those of the transitional digital radio programming undertakings, which were renewed administratively in *Administrative renewals*, Broadcasting Decision CRTC 2007-302, 13 August 2007.

The transmitters will operate in a single-frequency network using 1465.024 MHz (DRB channel 8) with effective isotropic radiated powers of 3,381 and 2,774 watts, respectively.

Conditions of licence

1. The licensee shall adhere to the conditions in effect under the current licence issued to its associated station.
2. The licensee shall adhere to Parts 1 and 1.1 of the *Radio Regulations, 1986*.
3. The licensee is relieved of the requirement set out in section 10.1 of the *Radio Regulations, 1986* to own and operate its transmitter.
4. The licensee shall not use the ancillary capacity of the digital radio signal to provide services that constitute programming under the *Broadcasting Act*, unless otherwise authorized by the Commission.
5. The licensee shall use no more than 20% of the digital capacity of the 1.5 MHz channel specified for use by the geographic grouping of broadcasters to which the undertaking belongs.
6. The digital radio signal broadcast by the DRPU associated with the existing FM or AM undertaking shall be broadcast from a single primary digital radio transmitter that is located so as to ensure that the resulting digital radio coverage area does not exceed the lesser of:
 - (a) the licensee's corresponding FM or daytime AM coverage areas; that is, the 0.5 millivolt per metre coverage area, or
 - (b) the digital service area allotted to the licensee under the Department of Industry's spectrum allocation plan.

7. The licensee shall have full control over the transmission of its programming, regardless of the ownership of the transmission facilities that it uses.

Expectation

In accordance with *Digital radio policy*, Broadcasting Public Notice CRTC 2006-160, 15 December 2006, the Commission expects the licensee to ensure that the main programming signal of the DRPU is not noticeably degraded by the shifting of capacity from the DRPU to ancillary services.