



Broadcasting Decision CRTC 2022-101

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Canadian Broadcasting Corporation
Prince Rupert and Kitimat, British Columbia

Public record for this application: 2022-0036-9

CFPR Prince Rupert and its transmitter CBUK-FM Kitimat – Technical changes

1. The Commission has the authority, pursuant to subsection 9(1) of the *Broadcasting Act* (the Act), to issue licences for such terms not exceeding seven years and subject to such conditions related to the circumstances of the licensee as the Commission deems appropriate for the implementation of the broadcasting policy set out in subsection 3(1) of the Act, as well as to amend those conditions on application of the licensee.
2. Consistent with this authority, the Commission **approves** the application by the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation (CBC) to change the authorized contours of CBUK-FM Kitimat, British Columbia, a rebroadcasting transmitter of the English-language radio programming undertaking CFPR Prince Rupert, British Columbia, (a Radio One network station) by increasing the average effective radiated power (ERP) from 39 to 81 watts (maximum ERP from 102 to 261 watts), decreasing the effective height of the antenna above average terrain from -283 to -287.1 metres, changing the class of the transmitter from A1 to A and by amending the existing coordinates of the transmitter site. All other technical parameters will remain unchanged.
3. The Commission did not receive any interventions in regard to this application.
4. When requesting technical changes, licensees are generally required to demonstrate a technical or economic need. In regard to the present application, the CBC stated that the proposed amendments will allow it to replace a timeworn directional antenna and to maintain an excellent coverage of the station in the region of Kitimat. The CBC also noted that the proposed directional antenna will be co-located with CBUF-FM-5 Kitimat (ICI Première network station).
5. The Commission is satisfied that the licensee has demonstrated a technical need for the requested technical changes.
6. Pursuant to subsection 22(1) of the Act, this authority will only be effective when the Department of Industry notifies the Commission that its technical requirements have been met and that a broadcasting certificate will be issued.

7. The licensee must implement the technical changes by no later than **5 April 2024**. To request an extension, the licensee must submit a written request to the Commission at least 60 days before that date, using the form available on the Commission's website.
8. As set out in section 16 of the *Radio Regulations, 1986* (the Regulations), the licensees have obligations relating to the broadcast of emergency alert messages received from the National Alert Aggregation and Dissemination System. In regard to the changes to CBUK-FM's authorized contours resulting from the implementation of the technical changes approved in this decision, the Commission reminds the licensee that continued compliance with section 16 of the Regulations may require that any alert broadcast decoders (e.g., ENDEC) used for the purposes of broadcasting emergency alert messages on CFPR or on any rebroadcasting transmitters that may appear on the broadcasting licence for that station, be reprogrammed to properly account for the new authorized contours.

Secretary General

This decision is to be appended to the licence.