



Broadcasting Decision CRTC 2006-478

Ottawa, 7 September 2006

Radio CFXU Club
Antigonish, Nova Scotia

Application 2005-1457-2
Public Hearing at Edmonton, Alberta
19 June 2006

Community-based campus FM radio station in Antigonish

1. The Commission **approves** the application by Radio CFXU Club (The Club) to operate an English-language, low-power community-based campus FM radio programming undertaking in Antigonish. The station will operate at 92.5 MHz (channel 223LP) with an effective radiated power of 50 watts.
2. The Commission did not receive any interventions in connection with this application.
3. The Club has been operating a developmental campus radio station, which was approved in *Developmental campus radio station in Antigonish*, Broadcasting Decision CRTC 2002-257, 30 August 2002. The Club filed the present application in accordance with the Commission's approach for developmental campus radio stations, as set out in *Campus radio policy*, Public Notice CRTC 2000-12, 28 January 2000 (Public Notice 2000-12). In that public notice, the Commission indicated that developmental campus radio stations would generally be licensed for three years and that, at the end of this term, licensees were expected to have filed an application with the Commission for a campus radio licence, or to cease operations.
4. The new community-based campus station will broadcast 108 hours of locally produced programming in each broadcast week, including six hours of programming in languages other than English. The station will offer an alternative to the radio stations currently operating in Antigonish.
5. The Club indicated that the station will promote local talent by broadcasting talent contests and that it will fulfil its mandate to promote Canadian talent in the majority of the programming aired on the station in each broadcast week.

6. The Commission expects community-based campus radio stations to provide programming differing in style and substance from that provided by other elements of the broadcasting system, particularly commercial radio stations and the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation. Such programming should consist of music, especially Canadian music, not generally heard on commercial stations (including special interest music, as well as styles of popular music seldom broadcast), in-depth spoken word programming, and programming targeted to specific groups within the community.
7. In Public Notice 2000-12, the Commission stated, among other things, that campus radio stations should rely on volunteers from the campus, and from the community at large, for their programming and operation.
8. The Commission notes that the Club is a not-for-profit organization controlled by its members through their ability to elect the board of directors. In accordance with Public Notice 2000-12, the Commission expects the board of directors of a campus radio station to include balanced representation from among the student body, the associated college or university (for example, faculty or administration), station volunteers, and from the community at large. To ensure continuity of direction, the Commission also encourages campus stations to establish positions on their boards of directors with terms of more than one year.

Issuance of the licence

9. The licence will expire 31 August 2013 and will be subject to the **conditions** specified in *New licence form for campus radio stations*, Public Notice CRTC 2000-156, 16 November 2000.
10. The Department of Industry (the Department) has advised the Commission that, while this application is conditionally technically acceptable, it will only issue a broadcasting certificate when it has determined that the proposed technical parameters will not create any unacceptable interference with aeronautical NAV/COM services.
11. The Commission reminds the applicant that, pursuant to section 22(1) of the *Broadcasting Act*, no licence may be issued until the Department notifies the Commission that its technical requirements have been met, and that a broadcasting certificate will be issued.
12. Given that the technical parameters approved in this decision are for a low-power unprotected FM service, the Commission also reminds the applicant that it will have to select another frequency if the Department so requires.

Employment equity

13. The Commission considers that campus radio stations should be particularly sensitive to employment equity issues in order to reflect fully the communities they serve. It encourages the applicant to consider these issues in its hiring practices and in all other aspects of its management of human resources.

Secretary General

This decision is to be appended to the licence. It is available in alternative format upon request, and may also be examined in PDF format or in HTML at the following Internet site: <http://www.crtc.gc.ca>