



## Broadcasting Decision CRTC 2007-431

Ottawa, 21 December 2007

### **Amie du Quartier**

Saint-Jérôme, Quebec

*Application 2007-0466-0, received 27 March 2007*

*Public Hearing in the National Capital Region*

*27 August 2007*

### **French-language FM specialty radio station in Saint-Jérôme**

1. The Commission **approves** the application<sup>1</sup> by Amie du Quartier for a broadcasting licence to operate a low-power, French-language FM specialty radio programming undertaking<sup>2</sup> in Saint-Jérôme.
2. The new station will offer a Specialty talk-based format. The applicant indicated that the station will broadcast approximately 20 hours per week and that 12 of those hours will be devoted to spoken word programming (category 1), as defined in the appendix to Public Notice 2000-14. The applicant does not plan to broadcast during school vacation periods.
3. Programming will consist of sports reports, cultural reports, poetry, and recorded or live interviews and will target primarily the students of École Notre-Dame. Students in grades five and six will produce a weekly program presenting school and neighbourhood news and weather forecasts covering the following four days. Five hours per week will be devoted to easy listening music.
4. The station will operate at 101.9 MHz (channel 270LP) with an effective radiated power (ERP) of 3.168 watts.<sup>3</sup>
5. The Commission notes that the applicant made a commitment to promote Canadian artists through awards at poetry competitions, through its coverage of events at the school and in the community, and through the production of programs featuring athletic performances or other achievements by Canadian artists.

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<sup>1</sup> The application filed by the licensee was for a licence to operate a community radio programming undertaking. However, in Broadcasting Notice of Public Hearing 2007-7, the Commission indicated that the licence application was to operate a Type B FM community-based campus radio programming undertaking.

<sup>2</sup> The station proposed by the licensee does not meet the definition of a Type B FM community-based campus radio station as set out in the Public Notice 1992-38. The Commission notes that the proposed station is neither a community radio station, nor a community-based campus station, nor an educational station, but instead falls within the "Other Special FM category" as set out in Public Notice 1988-78.

<sup>3</sup> In Broadcasting Notice of Public Hearing 2007-7, the Commission indicated that the station would operate with an ERP of 3,168 watts. On 10 July 2007, the Commission issued Broadcast Notice of Public Hearing 2007-7-2, which indicated an ERP of 3.168 watts (low power).

6. The Commission did not receive any interventions in connection with this application.
7. The licence will expire 31 August 2014 and will be subject to the **conditions** set out in *New licence form for commercial radio stations*, Public Notice CRTC 1999-137, 24 August 1999, with the exception of conditions of licence number 5 and 8.
8. The licensee must operate the station in the Specialty format as defined in *Revised content categories and subcategories for radio*, Public Notice CRTC 2000-14, 28 January 2000, and in *A Review of Certain Matters Concerning Radio*, Public Notice CRTC 1995-60, 25 April 1995, as amended from time to time by the Commission.
9. 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.
10. 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.
11. 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.
12. Furthermore, the licence for this undertaking will be issued once the applicant has informed the Commission in writing that it is prepared to commence operations. The undertaking must be operational at the earliest possible date and in any event no later than 24 months from the date of this decision, unless a request for an extension of time is approved by the Commission before 21 December 2009. In order to ensure that such a request is processed in a timely manner, it should be submitted at least 60 days before this date.

Secretary General

#### **Related documents**

- Broadcasting Notice of Public Hearing CRTC 2007-7, 21 June 2007, corrected by Broadcast Notice of Public Hearing CRTC 2007-7-2, 10 July 2007
- *Revised content categories and subcategories for radio*, Public Notice CRTC 2000-14, 28 January 2000

- *New licence form for commercial radio stations*, Public Notice CRTC 1999-137, 24 August 1999
- *A Review of Certain Matters Concerning Radio*, Public Notice CRTC 1995-60, 21 April 1995
- *Policies for community and campus radio*, Public Notice CRTC 1992-38, 29 May 1992
- *Educational and institutional radio – Adoption of the proposed policy*, Public Notice CRTC 1988-78, 17 May 1988

*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>*