



## Broadcasting Notice of Consultation CRTC 2009-272

Ottawa, 14 May 2009

### Notice of application received

#### Across Canada

**Deadline for submission of interventions/comments: 18 June 2009**

The Commission has received the following application:

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#### Item Applicant and Locality

1. **Life Network Inc.**  
Across Canada  
Application No. 2009-0453-3

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Application by **Life Network Inc.** to amend the broadcasting licence of the national, English-language specialty programming undertaking known as Slice.

The licensee proposes to replace two conditions of licence. Firstly, it proposes to replace the condition of licence relating to levels of Canadian content, which currently reads as follows:

The licensee shall devote not less than 82.5% of the broadcast year and not less than 82.5% of the evening broadcast period to the distribution of Canadian programs.

with the following condition of licence:

The licensee shall devote not less than 60% of the broadcast year and not less than 60% of the evening broadcast period to the distribution of Canadian programs.

Secondly, the licensee proposes to replace item a) of the condition of licence relating to Canadian programming expenditures, which currently reads as follows:

- a) In each broadcast year, the licensee shall expend on Canadian programs not less than 71% of the previous broadcast year's gross revenues;

with the following:

- a) In each broadcast year, the licensee shall expend on Canadian programs not less than 45% of the previous broadcast year's gross revenues;

The licensee contends that its Canadian content and expenditure levels are disproportionately high to current levels across other specialty services throughout Canada. The licensee also stated that Slice's current conditions are causing undue financial hardship.

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*Examination of application:*

At the licensee's address

## **Public Participation**

### **Deadline for Interventions/Comments**

**18 June 2009**

The intervention must be received by the Commission and by the applicant on or before the above-mentioned date. The Commission cannot be held responsible for postal delays and will not notify a party whose intervention is received after the deadline date. The intervention will not be considered by the Commission and will not be part of the public file.

Interventions will be considered by the Commission and will form part of the public record of the proceeding without further notification to intervening parties, provided the procedure set out below has been followed. Parties will be contacted only if their submissions raise procedural questions.

Written interventions should be submitted to the Secretary General of the Commission in **only one** of the following formats:

**by using the**  
**[Broadcasting interventions/comments form](#)**

or

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

or

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

A true copy must be sent to the applicant, and proof that this has been done must accompany the intervention sent to the Commission.

The Commission advises those who file and serve by electronic mode to exercise caution when using e-mail for service of documents or notification, as it may be difficult to establish that service has occurred.

Parties must ensure, before initiating service through electronic mode, that they will be able to satisfy the Commission, upon request, that service of the notification was completed.

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 damaged during electronic transmission.

Each paragraph of the document should be numbered.

Interventions should 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.

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### **Examination of documents**

An electronic version of the applications is available from the Commission's website by selecting the application number within this notice.

A list of all interventions/comments will also be available on the Commission's website. An electronic version of all interventions/comments submitted will be accessible from this list. To access the list, select "Lists of interventions/comments" under "Public Proceedings" from the Commission's website.

Documents are also available during normal office hours at the local address provided in this notice and at the Commission offices and documentation centres directly involved with these applications, or, upon request, within 2 working days, at any other Commission offices and documentation centres.

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