



## Broadcasting Decision CRTC 2010-424

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Ottawa, 30 June 2010

**Battlefords Tourism & Convention Association Inc.**  
North Battleford, Saskatchewan

*Application 2008-1737-2, received 31 December 2008*

### **CHBT-FM North Battleford – Licence renewal**

*The Commission **renews** the broadcasting licence for the low-power, English-language tourist information radio station CHBT-FM North Battleford from 1 July 2010 to 31 August 2013. This short-term licence renewal will enable the Commission to review, at an earlier date, the licensee's compliance with the Radio Regulations, 1986.*

### **Introduction**

1. The Commission received an application by Battlefords Tourism & Convention Association Inc. (Battlefords) to renew the broadcasting licence for the low-power, English-language tourist information radio programming undertaking CHBT-FM North Battleford, which expires 30 June 2010.<sup>1</sup> The Commission did not receive any interventions in connection with this application.
2. In Broadcasting Notice of Consultation 2009-786, the Commission stated that the licensee may have failed to comply with section 9(2) of the *Radio Regulations, 1986* (the Regulations), which relates to the provision of annual returns, for the broadcast years 2004 through 2008.

### **Commission's analysis and determinations**

3. After examining the application in light of applicable regulations and policies, the Commission considers that the issue to be addressed in its determinations relates to the provision of annual returns. As set out in section 9(2) of the Regulations, licensees are required to file their annual returns for a specific broadcast year by 30 November of that same broadcast year. The Commission notes that, for the broadcast years 2004 through 2008, the licensee's annual returns were filed after this 30 November deadline.

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<sup>1</sup> The current licence was administratively renewed until 31 December 2009 in Broadcasting Decision 2009-506, until 31 May 2010 in Broadcasting Decision 2009-785, and until 30 June 2010 in Broadcasting Decision 2010-324.

4. The licensee indicated that it was not aware that the annual returns were filed late and that, from now on, it will remind the accountant as well as for the individual who will be looking after the Commission file.

## Conclusion

5. In light of all of the above, in accordance with its practice regarding radio non-compliance, set out in Circular No. 444, the Commission considers that a short-term renewal period for CHBT-FM would be appropriate. Accordingly, the Commission **renews** the broadcasting licence for the low-power English-language tourist information radio programming undertaking CHBT-FM North Battleford from 1 July 2010 to 31 August 2013, four years from the original expiry date of 31 August 2009. This short-term renewal will enable the Commission to assess, at an earlier date, the licensee's compliance with the Regulations. The licence will be subject to the **conditions** set out in the appendix to this decision.

Secretary General

## Related documents

- *Administrative renewals*, Broadcasting Decision CRTC 2010-324, 28 May 2010
- *Notice of applications received*, Broadcasting Notice of Consultation CRTC 2009-786, 17 December 2009
- *Administrative renewals*, Broadcasting Decision CRTC 2009-785, 17 December 2009
- *Administrative renewals*, Broadcasting Decision CRTC 2009-506, 20 August 2009
- *Practices regarding radio non-compliance*, Circular No. 444, 7 May 2001

*\* This decision is to be appended to the licence.*

## **Appendix to Broadcasting Decision CRTC 2010-424**

### **Conditions of licence**

1. The licensee shall use the station solely for the purpose of broadcasting pre-recorded announcements promoting tourist sites and services, and community events in the North Battleford area.
2. The licensee shall not broadcast more than six minutes of advertising material per clock hour.
3. The licensee shall not broadcast musical selections, except as incidental background music.