Broadcasting Notice of Consultation CRTC 2011-319

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Ottawa, 13 May 2011

Notice of application received

Amherst, Nova Scotia

Deadline for submission of interventions/comments/answers: 2 June 2011

[Submit an intervention/comment/answer or view related documents]

The Commission has received the following application:

Applicant and Locality

 Maritime Broadcasting System Limited Amherst, Nova Scotia Application 2011-0468-7

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Application by **Maritime Broadcasting System Limited** (MBS) relating to the broadcasting licence for the English-language commercial FM radio programming undertaking CKDH-FM Amherst to amend the technical parameters of its transmitter, CKDH-FM, by increasing the average effective radiated power (ERP) from 18,700 to 23,000 watts (maximum ERP from 40,000 to 50,000 watts) and by decreasing the effective height of antenna above average terrain from 32 to 16 metres.

The licensee states that the relocation of the transmitter site is necessary because the hydro poles serving the transmitter were brought down following a recent storm. The licensee is therefore proposing to move the antenna and the transmitter into the radio station's building along with its emergency generator.

The Commission notes that this amendment would decrease the population in the 3 mV/m and 0,5 mV/m contours from 17,535 to 14,828 (15%) and from 37,232 to 31,427 (16%), respectively.

Shortened intervention period

The Commission received a letter dated 5 May 2011 from MBS requesting an intervention period of 20 days, instead of the usual 30 days, for the following reasons:



- implementation of this station has already incurred considerable delays;
- the required approval from the town of Amherst has already been received:
- the construction season has already begun in the area;
- a community FM station, approved by the CRTC after the approval of the conversion of CKDH from AM to FM, is in the implementation stage;
- the completed Change in Facility Application has been with the CRTC since the end of March 2011.

The Commission accordingly shortens the intervention period to 20 days.

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Procedure

Deadline for interventions or answers

2 June 2011

The new Canadian Radio-television and Telecommunications Commission Rules of Practice and Procedure, SOR/2010-277 (the Rules of Procedure), set out, among other things, the rules for filing, content, format and service of interventions, the procedure for filing confidential information and requesting its disclosure, and the conduct of the public hearing. Accordingly, the procedure set out below must be read in conjunction with the Rules of Procedure and its accompanying documents, which can be found on the Commission's website under "CRTC Rules of Practice and Procedure."

This notice may announce applications that would normally be subject to the written process described in Part 1 of the Rules of Procedure, but that were filed before 1 April 2011. An explanation in this regard is set out in *Implementation of new Rules of Practice and Procedure*, Broadcasting and Telecom Regulatory Policy CRTC 2010-958, 23 December 2010.

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

Interventions and answers from respondents will be considered by the Commission and will form part of the public record of the proceeding without further notification to parties, provided the procedures set out in the Rules of Procedure and this notice have been followed. Parties will be contacted only if their submissions raise procedural questions.

Interventions or answers must be submitted to the Secretary General of the Commission in **only one** of the following formats:

by using the

[Intervention/comment/answer form]

or

by mail to CRTC, Ottawa, Ontario K1A 0N2

or

by fax at 819-994-0218

A true copy of each intervention or answer from a respondent must be sent to the applicant and, in the case of a respondent to an application, to any other respondent.

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

Parties must ensure that, before initiating service through electronic mode, they will be able to satisfy the Commission, upon request, that service was completed. The sender must keep proof of the sending and the receipt of the document for 180 days after the day on which it is filed.

Submissions longer than five pages should include a summary.

Each paragraph of the submission should be numbered. In addition, 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 altered during electronic transmission.

Interventions and answers 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.

Important notice

All information that parties provide as part of this public process, except information designated confidential, whether sent by postal mail, facsimile, e-mail or through the Commission's website at www.crtc.gc.ca, becomes part of a publicly accessible file and will be posted on the Commission's website. This information includes personal information, such as full names, e-mail addresses, postal/street addresses, telephone and facsimile numbers, and any other personal information parties provide.

The personal information that parties provide will be used and may be disclosed for the purpose for which the information was obtained or compiled by the Commission, or for a use consistent with that purpose.

Documents received electronically or otherwise will be put on the Commission's website in their entirety exactly as received, including any personal information contained therein, in the official language and format in which they are received. Documents not received electronically will be available in PDF format.

The information that parties provide to the Commission as part of this public process is entered into an unsearchable database dedicated to this specific public process. This database is accessible only from the web page of this particular public process. As a result, a general search of the Commission's website with the help of either its own search engine or a third-party search engine will not provide access to the information that was provided as part of this public process.

The Commission encourages parties and interested persons to monitor the record of the proceeding, available on the Commission's website, for additional information that they may find useful when preparing their submissions.

Examination of documents

An electronic version of the application is available on the Commission's website by selecting the application number within this notice. It is also available from the applicant, either on its website or upon request by contacting the applicant at its email address, provided above.

A list of all interventions and answers will also be available on the Commission's website. The list is accessible by selecting "View all proceedings open for comment" from the "Public Proceedings" section of the Commission's website and by clicking on the "Interventions/Answers" link associated with this notice.

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 this application, or, upon request, within two (2) working days, at any other Commission offices and documentation centres.

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