

Canadian Radio-television and Telecommunications Commission

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Broadcasting Licence Fees – Part II

- The Broadcasting Licence Fee Regulations, 1997, SOR/97-144, as amended by SOR/2010-157, 7 July 2010 (the Regulations), provide for the payment of a Part II licence fee by certain licensed broadcasting undertakings. The revised Regulations were announced by the Commission in Amendments to the Broadcasting Licence Fee Regulations, 1997, Broadcasting Regulatory Policy CRTC 2010-476, 14 July 2010 (Broadcasting Regulatory Policy 2010-476).
- 2. Sections 11(1) and 11(2) of the Regulations set out the components for the calculation of the Part II licence fees. As per these sections of the Regulations, the total annual amount to be assessed by the Commission is the lesser of the following:
 - a) \$100,000,000, which, starting in 2011, will be adjusted annually on a compound basis in accordance with the percentage increase or decrease, as the case may be, to the Consumer Price Index (CPI) for the calendar year prior to the year of the adjustment. The CPI is the annual average all-items CPI for Canada (not seasonally adjusted) that is published by Statistics Canada. As noted in Broadcasting Regulatory Policy 2010-476, the Commission will use the CPI index set out in Statistics Canada Catalogue No. 62-001-XWE, Table 5, CANSIM vector number v41690973. For 2010, the annual average CPI was 1.8%. Thus the adjusted value of this component for 2011 is \$101.8 million.
 - b) 1.365% multiplied by the aggregate fee revenues for the return year terminating during the previous calendar year of all licensees whose fee revenues exceed the applicable exemption levels, less the aggregate exemption level for all those licensees for that return year (i.e. \$11.209 billion). In 2011, this amounts to \$153 million.
- 3. Pursuant to section 11(3) of the Regulations, the Commission announces in this public notice that the total amount of Part II licence fees to be assessed by the Commission in 2011 is \$101,800,000, which is the lesser of the two amounts referred to in paragraph 2 of this order.

Secretary General

