



# Broadcasting Notice of Consultation CRTC 2013-19-1

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## Notice of hearing

23 April 2013

Gatineau, Quebec

**Applications for mandatory distribution on cable and satellite distribution systems pursuant to section 9(1)(h) of the *Broadcasting Act* and applications for the licence renewal of independent conventional, pay and specialty television services**

**Correction to the preamble and item 21**

**Extension of deadline for interventions/comments/answers: 27 February 2013**

**Extension of deadline for replies: 11 March 2013**

[\[Submit an intervention/comment/answer or view related documents\]](#)

Further to Broadcasting Notice of Consultation 2013-19, the Commission announces that it has received requests from Shaw Communications Inc., Rogers Communications Inc., Cogeco Cable Inc. and the Canadian Cable Systems Alliance (jointly), Telus Communications Company and the Public Interest Advocacy Centre for an extension of the deadline for the submission of interventions, comments and answers. Having considered these requests, the Commission announces that the deadline for the submission of interventions, comments and answers has been extended to **27 February 2013** and the deadline for the submission of replies has been extended to **11 March 2013**.

In addition, the preamble and the following item are amended and **the changes are in bold**.

## Preamble

Introduction to sections 1 and 2: What is mandatory distribution of its service on the digital basic service?

- CBC News Network (in French-language markets): \$0.15
- Réseau de l'information (RDI) (in English-language markets): \$0.10
- Avis de recherche (in French-language markets): \$0.06
- Weather Network/Météomedia: \$0.23
- TVA: offered without a wholesale rate

- Aboriginal Peoples Television Network (APTN): \$0.25
- Cable Public Affairs Channel (CPAC): **\$0.11**
- AMI audio, formerly known as VoicePrint: \$0.04
- Accessible Media: \$0.20
- Canal M, formerly known as La Magnétothèque: \$0.02

## Item 21

Cable Public Affairs Channel Inc.

Across Canada

Applications 2012-1107-8 and 2012-1109-4

Applications by Cable Public Affairs Channel Inc. (CPAC) to renew the broadcasting licences for the satellite-to-cable French- and English-language undertaking CPAC, which expire 31 August 2013.

The licensee states that it meets all the criteria set out in paragraph 11 of Criteria for assessing applications for mandatory distribution of its service on the digital basic service, Broadcasting Regulatory Policy CRTC 2010-629, 27 August 2010 and is proposing an increase to its regulated per subscriber wholesale monthly fee from **\$0.11** to \$0.12.

## Procedure

### Deadline for interventions or answers

**27 February 2013**

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 content, format, filing and service of interventions and answers of respondents, 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."

An intervention or an answer from a respondent must be filed with the Commission and served on the applicant on or before the above-mentioned date. An answer from a respondent must also be served on any other respondent.

In accordance with the Rules of Procedure, a document must be filed with, not merely sent to, the Commission by 5 p.m. Vancouver time (8 p.m. Ottawa time) on the date it is due. The Commission takes no responsibility for postal delays and will not notify a party whose submission is received after the deadline date. Late submissions will not be considered by the Commission and will not be made part of the public file.

The intervention or answer must include one of the following statements in either the first or the last paragraph:

1. I request to appear at the public hearing.
2. I do not want to appear at the public hearing.

The applicant, respondents and interveners are permitted to coordinate, organize and file, in a single submission, interventions of other interested persons who share their position but do not wish to appear at the hearing as a “Joint Supporting Intervention.” More information on how to do so and a template for the covering letter to be filed by the parties can be found in *Changes to certain practices for filing interventions – Expansion of filing practices to include the filing of joint supporting comments for broadcasting policy proceedings*, Broadcasting Information Bulletin CRTC 2010-28-1, 10 December 2010.

Interventions and answers 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.

Submissions must be filed by sending them to the Secretary General of the Commission by **only one** of the following means:

**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 must 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.

In the event that an application/an application to be considered during the non-appearing phase of the hearing is brought to the oral phase of the hearing, and if parties wish to appear, they must provide reasons why their written interventions or answers are not sufficient and why an appearance is necessary. Parties requiring communication support must state their request on the first page of their intervention. Only those parties whose requests to appear have been granted will be contacted by the Commission and invited to appear at the public hearing.

Persons requiring communications support such as assistance listening devices and sign language interpretation are requested to inform the Commission at least twenty (20) days before the commencement of the public hearing so that the necessary arrangements can be made.

### **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](http://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 applications is available on the Commission's website by selecting the application number within this notice. It is also available from the applicants/licensees, either on their websites or upon request by contacting the applicants/licensees at their email addresses, 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 clicking on the "Interventions/Answers" link associated with this notice.

Documents are also available during normal office hours at the Commission offices and documentation centres directly involved with these applications, or, upon request, within two (2) working days, at any other Commission offices and documentation centres.

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