



Broadcasting Decision CRTC 2014-482

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Groupe Radio Antenne 6 inc.
Alma, Quebec

Application 2014-0430-1

CKYK-FM Alma – Licence amendment

*The Commission **approves** the application by Groupe Radio Antenne 6 inc. to amend the broadcasting licence for the French-language commercial radio station CKYK-FM Alma, Quebec, to allow it to exceed the level of spoken-word content that the station is otherwise authorized to broadcast, for the sole purpose of broadcasting Chicoutimi Saguenéens hockey games.*

Application

1. Groupe Radio Antenne 6 inc. filed an application to amend the broadcasting licence for the French-language commercial radio station CKYK-FM Alma, Quebec, in order to authorize it to exceed the maximum level of spoken-word content (set at less than 50% for non-specialty music-based stations) in each broadcast week in which it holds the broadcasting rights for Chicoutimi Saguenéens hockey games, for the sole purpose of broadcasting these hockey games. The licensee indicated that the station would therefore be considered a spoken-word specialty radio station for certain periods of time, but that once the hockey season was over, CKYK-FM would return to its regular programming (that is, less than 50% spoken-word content per broadcast week).
2. The licensee stated that this amendment would meet a need expressed by the population.
3. The Commission did not receive any interventions in connection with this application.

Commission's analysis and decision

4. CKYK-FM is operated as a non-specialty commercial radio station that broadcasts an alternative rock format.
5. The definition of a station broadcasting under the specialty format is set out in Public Notice 1995-60 and amended in Broadcasting Regulatory Policy 2010-819, as amended from time to time.

6. The Commission is of the view that the licensee's request to exceed the maximum percentage of spoken-word content, for the sole purpose of broadcasting hockey games, is justified.

Conclusion

7. In light of the above, the Commission **approves** the application by Groupe Radio Antenne 6 inc. to amend the broadcasting licence for the French-language commercial radio programming undertaking CKYK-FM Alma in order to authorize it to exceed, during any broadcast week in which it holds the broadcasting rights for Chicoutimi Saguenéens games, the maximum level of spoken-word content it is otherwise authorized to broadcast.
8. Accordingly, the Commission imposes the following **condition of licence** on CKYK-FM:

The licensee is authorized to devote more than 50% of the broadcasting week to programming from content category 1 (Spoken Word) as defined in *Revised content categories and subcategories for radio*, Broadcasting Regulatory Policy CRTC 2010-819, 5 November 2010, for the sole purpose of broadcasting Chicoutimi Saguenéens hockey games during any broadcast week in which it holds the broadcasting rights for these hockey games.

Secretary General

Related documents

- *Revised content categories and subcategories for radio*, Broadcasting Regulatory Policy CRTC 2010-819, 5 November 2010
- *A review of certain matters concerning radio*, Broadcasting Public Notice CRTC 1995-60, 21 April 1995

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