



Broadcasting Decision CRTC 2020-267

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References: Part 1 licence renewal applications posted on 5 June 2020

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Various Licensees

Various locations in Alberta and Saskatchewan

Public record for these applications: 2019-0622-3, 2019-0623-1 and 2019-0753-6

Various commercial specialty (Christian music) radio stations – Licence renewals

1. The Commission has the authority, pursuant to section 9(1) of the *Broadcasting Act* (the Act), to issue and renew licences for such terms not exceeding seven years and subject to such conditions related to the circumstances of the licensee as it deems appropriate for the implementation of the broadcasting policy set out in section 3(1) of the Act.
2. Consistent with that authority, the Commission **renews** the broadcasting licences for the commercial specialty (Christian music) radio programming undertakings listed below from 1 September 2020 to 31 August 2027. The Commission did not receive any interventions in regard to these applications. The terms and **conditions of licence** for these stations are set out in the appendix to this decision.

Licensee	Call sign and location	Application
Touch Canada Broadcasting (2006) Inc. (the general partner) and C.R.A. Investments Ltd. (the limited partner), carrying on business as Touch Canada Broadcasting Limited Partnership	CJRY-FM Edmonton, Alberta	2019-0622-3
Touch Canada Broadcasting (2006) Inc. (the general partner) and C.R.A. Investments Ltd. (the limited partner), carrying on business as Touch Canada Broadcasting Limited Partnership	CJSI-FM Calgary, Alberta	2019-0623-1
101056012 Saskatchewan Ltd.	CJJC-FM Yorkton, Saskatchewan	2019-0753-6

Reminders

Local programming (CJRY-FM Edmonton, CJSI-FM Calgary)

3. Local radio stations are an important daily source of local news and information for communities. Holding a broadcasting licence comes with conditions, regulatory

obligations and responsibilities, which include contributing to the Canadian broadcasting system by ensuring that Canadians have access to local programming that reflects their needs and interests and informs them of important current issues.

4. The licensee proposed for the following stations to broadcast the following weekly levels of news:
 - CJRY-FM Edmonton, Alberta – 1 hour;
 - CJSI-FM Calgary, Alberta – 1 hour.
5. Although *Commercial Radio Policy 2006*, Broadcasting Public Notice CRTC 2006-158, 15 December 2006, does not specify a minimum level of weekly news to be broadcast, it does specify the type of spoken word material that must be included as part of a station's local programming. In accordance with that public notice, the Commission reminds the licensee that the above-noted stations, in their local programming, must incorporate spoken word material of direct and particular relevance to the communities served, and that this programming must include local news, weather, sports coverage, and the promotion of local events and activities. In addition, the Commission encourages the licensee to ensure that a reasonable amount of daily local news and information is made available to those communities.

Force and effect of broadcasting certificates

6. Pursuant to section 22 of the Act, the broadcasting licences renewed in this decision will cease to have any force or effect if the broadcasting certificates issued by the Department of Industry lapse.

Secretary General

This decision is to be appended to each licence.

Appendix to Broadcasting Decision CRTC 2020-267

Terms, conditions of licence, expectation and encouragement for the commercial specialty (Christian music) radio programming undertakings for which the broadcasting licences are renewed in this decision

Terms

The licence will expire 31 August 2027.

Conditions of licence applicable to all stations

1. The licensee shall adhere to the conditions of licence set out in *Conditions of licence for commercial AM and FM radio stations*, Broadcasting Regulatory Policy CRTC 2009-62, 11 February 2009, with the exception of condition of licence 7, as well as to the conditions set out in the broadcasting licence for the undertaking.
2. The station shall be operated within the Specialty format as defined in *A Review of Certain Matters Concerning Radio*, Public Notice CRTC 1995-60, 21 April 1995 and *Revised content categories and subcategories for radio*, Broadcasting Regulatory Policy CRTC 2010-819, 5 November 2010.
3. During each broadcast week, at least 95% of all musical selections broadcast shall be drawn from content subcategory 35 (Non-classic religious), as defined in *Revised content categories and subcategories for radio*, Broadcasting Regulatory Policy CRTC 2010-819, 5 November 2010.

Additional conditions of licence applicable to CJJC-FM Yorkton

4. The licensee shall, as an exception to the percentage of Canadian musical selections set out in section 2.2(3) of the *Radio Regulations, 1986* (the Regulations), in any broadcast week, devote in that broadcast week a minimum of 10% of its musical selections from content category 3 (Special interest music) to Canadian selections.

For the purposes of this condition, the terms “broadcast week,” “Canadian selection,” “content category” and “musical selection” shall have the same meanings as those set out in the Regulations.

5. Where the licensee broadcasts religious programming as defined in the *Religious Broadcasting Policy*, Public Notice CRTC 1993-78, 3 June 1993, the licensee shall adhere to the guidelines set out in sections III.B.2.a) and IV of that public notice with respect to the provision of balance and ethics in religious programming.

Expectation applicable to all stations

The Commission expects the licensee to reflect the cultural diversity of Canada in its programming and employment practices.

Encouragement applicable to all stations

In accordance with *Implementation of an employment equity policy*, Public Notice CRTC 1992-59, 1 September 1992, the Commission encourages the licensee to consider employment equity issues in its hiring practices and in all other aspects of its management of human resources.