

Broadcasting Decision CRTC 2024-135

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9188-7208 Québec inc. Vaudreuil-Dorion, Quebec

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CKVD-FM Vaudreuil-Dorion – Technical changes

- 1. The Commission has the authority, pursuant to subsection 9(1) of the *Broadcasting Act* (the Act), to issue licences for the carrying on of broadcasting undertakings as well as to amend those licences.
- 2. Consistent with this authority, the Commission approves the application by 9188-7208 Québec inc. (9188-7208 Québec) to change the authorized contours of the Frenchlanguage radio programming undertaking CKVD-FM Vaudreuil-Dorion, Quebec. Specifically, the licensee proposed to relocate its transmitter to a new site, decrease the maximum effective radiated power (ERP) from 1,000 to 900 watts, decrease the average ERP from 550 to 493 watts, increase the effective height of the antenna above average terrain (EHAAT) from 52.5 to 58.8 metres and update the geographical coordinates of the transmitter site. All other technical parameters will remain unchanged.
- 3. The Commission did not receive any interventions in regard to this application.
- 4. When a licensee of a radio station files an application for technical changes, the Commission generally requires the licensee to present compelling technical or economic evidence justifying the requested technical changes. In this case, 9188-7208 Québec indicated that the proposed changes are necessary because the co-tenants' commercial activities require a high level of security, limiting the hours of access to the transmitter site. The licensee added that since the transmitter facilities are not always accessible, it may not be possible to repair the transmitter in the event of a breakdown. Further, it submitted that it has suffered frequent outages and that prolonged periods off-air have disrupted its operations. The Commission is satisfied that the licensee has demonstrated a technical need for the requested changes.
- 5. Pursuant to subsection 22(1) of the Act, this authority will only be effective when the Department of Industry (also known as Innovation, Science and Economic Development Canada) notifies the Commission that its technical requirements have been met and that a broadcasting certificate will be issued.



- 6. The licensee must implement the technical changes by no later than **19 June 2026**. To request an extension, the licensee must submit a written request to the Commission at least 60 days before that date, using the form available on the Commission's website.
- 7. As set out in section 16 of the *Radio Regulations*, 1986 (the Regulations), licensees have obligations relating to the broadcast of emergency alert messages received from the National Alert Aggregation and Dissemination System. In regard to the changes to CKVD-FM's authorized contours resulting from the implementation of the technical changes approved in this decision, the Commission reminds the licensee that continued compliance with section 16 of the Regulations may require that any alert broadcast decoders (e.g., ENDEC) used for the purposes of broadcasting emergency alert messages on CKVD-FM, or on any rebroadcasting transmitters that may appear on the broadcasting licence for that station, be reprogrammed to properly account for the new authorized contours.

Secretary General

This decision is to be appended to the licence.