Canadian Radio-television and Telecommunications Commission Fees Report Fiscal year 2022–23

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Minister's message

I am pleased to present the Canadian Radio-television and Telecommunications Commission (CRTC)'s report on fees for 2022–23.

The fees collected by the CRTC help to cover the costs associated with administering regulations. They are recovered in accordance with and under the authority of the *Broadcasting Act* and the *Telecommunications Act*.

I invite you to read this report prepared by the CRTC under the *Service Fees Act*. I am pleased that Canadian Heritage is supporting open and transparent fee management, as reflected in this report.

The Honourable Pascale St-Onge, P.C., M.P. Minister of Canadian Heritage



Fees Report for 2022–23		

About this report

This report, which is tabled under section 20 of the *Service Fees Act*, ithe *Low-Materiality Fees Regulations*, ii and subsection 4.2.8 of the Treasury Board *Directive on Charging and Special Financial Authorities*, iii contains information about the fees the Canadian Radio-television and Telecommunications Commission (CRTC) had the authority to set in fiscal year 2022–23.

The report covers fees that are subject to the *Service Fees Act*.

For reporting purposes, fees are categorized by fee-setting mechanism. There are three mechanisms:

Act, regulation or fees notice
 The authority to set these fees is delegated to a department, minister or Governor in Council pursuant to an act of Parliament.

2. Contract

Ministers have the inherent authority to enter into contracts, which are usually negotiated between the minister and an individual or organization, and which cover fees and other terms and conditions. In some cases, that authority may also be provided by an act of Parliament.

3. Market rate or auction

The authority to set these fees is pursuant to an act of Parliament or a regulation, and the minister, department or Governor in Council has no control over the fee amount.

For fees set by act, regulation or fees notice, the report provides totals for fee groupings, as well as detailed information for each fee. The CRTC did not have fees set by contract, market rate or auction.

Although the fees the CRTC charges under the *Access to Information Act*^{iv} were subject to the *Service Fees Act*, they are not included in this report. Information on the CRTC's access to information fees for 2022–23 is in our annual report to Parliament on the administration of the *Access to Information Act*, which is posted on the CRTC's website.^v

Remissions

In 2022–23, the CRTC was not subject to the requirements in section 7 of the *Service Fees Act* and had no authority to remit, so this report does not include remission amounts.

Overall totals, by fee-setting mechanism

The following table presents the total revenue, cost and remissions for all fees the CRTC had the authority to set in 2022–23, by fee-setting mechanism.

Overall totals for 2022-23, by fee-setting mechanism

Fee-setting mechanism	Revenue (\$)	Cost (\$) ¹	Remissions (\$)
Fees set by act, regulation or fees notice	208,551,017	79,095,278	These fees were not subject to remissions.

¹The CRTC had no mechanism for tracking costs, with respect to the Part II broadcasting licence fees, at the departmental level.

Totals, by fee grouping, for fees set by act, regulation or fees notice

A fee grouping is a set of fees relating to a single business line, directorate or program that a department had the authority to set for those activities.

This section presents, for each fee grouping, the total revenue, cost and remissions for all fees the CRTC had the authority to set in 2022–23 that are set by the following:

- act
- regulation

Broadcasting Licence Fees: totals for 2022–23

Revenue (\$)	Cost (\$) ¹	Remissions (\$)
157,731,021	34,516,832	These fees were not subject to remissions.

¹The CRTC had no mechanism for tracking costs, with respect to the Part II broadcasting licence fees, at the departmental level.

Telecommunications Fees: totals for 2022-23

Revenue (\$)	Cost (\$)	Remissions (\$)
47,519,996	40,944,239	These fees were not subject to remissions.

Unsolicited Telecommunications Fees: totals for 2022-23

Revenue (\$)	Cost (\$)	Remissions (\$)
3,300,000	3,634,207	These fees were not subject to remissions.

Details on each fee set by act, regulation or fees notice

This section provides detailed information on each fee the CRTC had the authority to set in 2022–23 and that was set by the following:

- act
- regulation

Broadcasting Licence Fees

Fee

Broadcasting Licence Fee - Part I

Fee-setting authority

Broadcasting Act, vi section 11(1)(c); Broadcasting Licence Fee Regulations, 1997vii (SOR/97–144)

Year fee-setting authority was introduced

1991

Last year fee-setting authority was amended

 2020^{1}

Service standard

Not subject to a service standard requirement of the Service Fees Act.

Performance result

Not subject to a service standard requirement of the Service Fees Act.

Application of Low-Materiality Fees Regulations

Not subject to section 17 of the Service Fees Act.

2022-23 fee amount (\$)

The fee is determined by a formula that can be found in the *Broadcasting Licence Fee Regulations*, 1997.

2022–23 total fee revenue (\$)

34,021,486

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¹ Following the close of fiscal year 2022-23, the *Broadcasting Act* was amended by Parliament in several places, including in relation to the fee-setting provision at paragraph 11(1)(c). The 2020 amendment was a minor adjustment not directly related to fee-setting.

This fee was not subject to remissions.

Fee adjustment date in 2024–25

Not applicable

2024-25 fee amount (\$)

The fee is determined by a formula that can be found in the *Broadcasting Licence Fee Regulations*, 1997.

Broadcasting Licence Fees

Fee

Broadcasting Licence Fee - Part II

Fee-setting authority

Broadcasting Act, section 11(1)(c); Broadcasting Licence Fee Regulations, 1997 (SOR/2010-157)

Year fee-setting authority was introduced

1991

Last year fee-setting authority was amended

 2020^{2}

Service standard

Not subject to a service standard requirement of the Service Fees Act.

Performance result

Not subject to a service standard requirement of the Service Fees Act.

Application of Low-Materiality Fees Regulations

Not subject to section 17 of the *Service Fees Act*.

2022-23 fee amount (\$)

The fee is determined by a formula that can be found in the *Broadcasting Licence Fee Regulations*, 1997.

2022–23 total fee revenue (\$)

123,709,535

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² Following the close of fiscal year 2022-23, the *Broadcasting Act* was amended by Parliament in several places, including in relation to the fee-setting provision at paragraph 11(1)(c). The 2020 amendment was a minor adjustment not directly related to fee-setting.

This fee was not subject to remissions.

Fee adjustment date in 2024-25

Not applicable

2024-25 fee amount (\$)

Not applicable³

³ Following the close of fiscal year 2022-23, the *Broadcasting Act* was amended by Parliament in several places, resulting in the abolishment of Part II fees moving forward.

Telecommunications Fees

Fee

Telecommunications Fees

Fee-setting authority

Telecommunications Act^{viii}, section 68(1); *Telecommunications Fees Regulations*, 2010^{ix} (SOR/2010-65)

Year fee-setting authority was introduced

1993

Last year fee-setting authority was amended

 2023^{4}

Service standard

Not subject to a service standard requirement of the Service Fees Act.

Performance result

Not subject to a service standard requirement of the *Service Fees Act*.

Application of Low-Materiality Fees Regulations

Not subject to section 17 of the Service Fees Act.

2022-23 fee amount (\$)

The fee is determined by a formula that can be found in the *Telecommunications Fees Regulations*, 2010.

2022–23 total fee revenue (\$)

47,519,996

⁴ The *Telecommunications Fees Regulations*, 2010 were amended in March 2023.

¹⁴ Canadian Radio-television and Telecommunications Commission

This fee was not subject to remissions.

Fee adjustment date in 2024–25

Not applicable

2024-25 fee amount (\$)

The fee is determined by a formula that can be found in the *Telecommunications Fees Regulations*, 2010.

Unsolicited Telecommunications Fees

Fee

Unsolicited Telecommunications Fees

Fee-setting authority

Telecommunications Act, section 41.21(1); *Unsolicited Telecommunications Fees Regulations*^x (SOR/2013-7)

Year fee-setting authority was introduced

2012

Last year fee-setting authority was amended

 2015^{5}

Service standard

Not subject to a service standard requirement of the Service Fees Act.

Performance result

Not subject to a service standard requirement of the *Service Fees Act*.

Application of Low-Materiality Fees Regulations

Not subject to section 17 of the Service Fees Act.

2022-23 fee amount (\$)

The fees are determined by a formula that can be found in the *Unsolicited Telecommunications Fees Regulations*.

2022–23 total fee revenue (\$)

3,300,000

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⁵ The *Unsolicited Telecommunications Fees Regulations* were last amended in 2015.

¹⁶ Canadian Radio-television and Telecommunications Commission

This fee was not subject to remissions.

Fee adjustment date in 2024–25

Not applicable

2024-25 fee amount (\$)

The fees are determined by a formula that can be found in the *Unsolicited Telecommunications Fees Regulations*.

Endnotes

- ⁱ Service Fees Act, https://laws-lois.justice.gc.ca/eng/acts/S-8.4/FullText.html
- ii Low Materiality Fees Regulations, https://laws-lois.justice.gc.ca/eng/regulations/SOR-2019-109/index.html
- iii Directive on Charging and Special Financial Authorities, https://www.tbs-sct.gc.ca/pol/doc-eng.aspx?id=32502
- iv Access to Information Act, https://www.laws-lois.justice.gc.ca/eng/acts/A-1/
- V CRTC's Access to Information report, https://crtc.gc.ca/eng/about/atip/
- vi Broadcasting Act, https://laws-lois.justice.gc.ca/eng/acts/B-9.01/
- vii Broadcasting Licence Fee Regulations, 1997, https://laws-lois.justice.gc.ca/eng/regulations/SOR-97-144/FullText.html
- viii Telecommunications Act, https://laws.justice.gc.ca/eng/acts/T-3.4/FullText.html
- ix Telecommunications Fees Regulations, 2010, https://laws-lois.justice.gc.ca/eng/regulations/SOR-2010-65/FullText.htm
- * Unsolicited Telecommunications Fees Regulations, https://laws-lois.justice.gc.ca/eng/regulations/SOR-2013-7/FullText.html