Broadcasting Notice of Consultation CRTC 2009-59

Ottawa, 10 February 2009

Notice of application received

Across Canada

Deadline for submission of interventions/comments: 2 March 2009

The Commission has received the following application:

[Broadcasting intervention/comments form]

Item Applicant and Locality

1. Bell ExpressVu Inc. (the general partner), and BCE Inc. and Bell Canada (partners in BCE Holdings G.P., a general partnership that is the limited partner), carrying on business as Bell ExpressVu Limited Partnership (ExpressVu)

Across Canada Application No. 2009-0237-1

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Application by Bell ExpressVu Inc. (the general partner), and BCE Inc. and Bell Canada (partners in BCE Holdings G.P., a general partnership that is the limited partner), carrying on business as Bell ExpressVu Limited Partnership (ExpressVu) to extend a condition of licence of its direct-to-home (DTH) satellite distribution undertaking.

The licensee is requesting an extension to its condition of licence granting authorization to distribute partial or omnibus channels containing unique local programming as initially approved in Broadcasting Decision CRTC 2005-457, 8 September 2005, and subsequently extended in Broadcasting Decision CRTC 2008-47, 5 June 2008, with an expiry date of 28 January 2009. The licensee proposes that this condition of licence be extended to the end of its current DTH licence term, specifically 31 August 2010.



The licensee argues that termination of the current condition of licence would result in consumers being denied access to the local news programs of the following stations that would no longer be distributed by ExpressVu on a part-time basis: CBC Fredericton (CBAT), CBC Charlottetown (CBCT), SRC Toronto (CBLFT), TVA Rimouski (CFER) and CTV Ottawa (CJOH).

Licensee's address:

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Examination of application:

Bell Canada Regulatory Reference Library 160 Elgin St., Floor 19 Ottawa, Ontario

Public Participation

Deadline for Interventions/Comments

2 March 2009

The intervention must be received by the CRTC and by the applicant on or before the above-mentioned date. The Commission cannot be held responsible for postal delays and will not notify an intervener whose intervention is received after the deadline. The intervention will not be considered by the Commission and will not be part of the public file.

Your intervention will be considered by the Commission, and will form part of the public record of the proceeding without further notification to you, provided the procedure set out below has been followed. You will be contacted only if your submission raises procedural questions.

Submit your written intervention to the Secretary General of the Commission in **only one** of the following formats:

by using the

[Broadcasting intervention/comments form]

or

by mail toCRTC, Ottawa, Ontario K1A 0N2

or

by fax at 819-994-0218

A true copy must be sent to the applicant and proof that this has been done must accompany the intervention sent to the Commission.

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Before initiating service through electronic mode, please ensure that you will be able to satisfy the Commission, upon request, that service of the notification was completed.

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 damaged during electronic transmission.

Each paragraph of the document should be numbered.

Your intervention should clearly identify the application and indicate whether you support or oppose the application, or if you propose changes to it, include the facts and grounds for your proposal.

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Please note that the information you 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 webpage of this particular public process. As a result, a general search of our website with the help of either our own search engine or a third-party search engine will not provide access to the information which was provided as part of this public process.

Examination of Documents

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A list of all interventions/comments will also be available on the Commission's website. An electronic version of all interventions/comments submitted will be accessible from this list. To access the list, select "Lists of interventions/comments" under "Public Proceedings" from the Commission's website.

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