

CBC/RADIO CANADA MOBILES

| TO: | Board of Directors | | |
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| MEETING: | March 30, 2015 | | |
| FROM: | Heather Conway, Executive Vice President, English Services Neil McEneaney, Chief Business Officer, English Services | | |
| DECISION SOUGHT: | Approval of Sale of the Mobile Division to Dome Productions | | |
| NEXT STEPS: | Seek Treasury Board approval | | |
| DATE: | March 26, 2015 | | |



CONTEXT

- CBC/Radio-Canada is selling all of its Mobile Production Assets ('the Mobiles'). See Appendix 1 for a list of Mobile assets.
- The decision to exit the Mobiles business:
 - Is part of the A Space For Us All strategy, as previously approved, relating to the reduction of in house production assets
 - Avoids projected financial losses from an unsustainable Business Plan
- Capital Canada Ltd was retained, as financial advisors, to manage the sale process of the Mobiles on behalf of CBC. See Appendices 2-3.
- As a result, we identified Dome Productions' bid of as the most attractive for realizable sale price and maintenance of the relationship to serve CBC's remaining production needs. See Appendices 4-6.
- After paying off the costs for closing the division of a projected CBC/Radio-Canada is projected to available for corporate priorities. See Appendix 7.



KEY DECISION ELEMENTS

Sell CBC/Radio-Canada's Mobile Production Assets to Dome Productions ('Dome') for



KEY BENEFITS, IMPACTS & RISKS

The Mobile assets are being sold for to Dome Productions because:

- Maintaining the Mobile Division is not consistent with strategy 1.
 - A key pillar of Strategy 2020 is to reduce infrastructure the Division is a capital intensive infrastructure
 - Resources must be focused on critical services.
- Continual capital investment would be required

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The Mobile assets are being sold because – cont'd:

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NEXT STEPS

Heritage Approval

Ministerial approval is required for this sale

Treasury Board Approval (Order in Council: 'OIC')

- Sale of property over \$4 million requires an OIC
- Approval, if given, is typically provided within approx. 3 months

Anticipated Timeline

| > | Now | CBC/Radio-Canada Board approval | | | | |
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| > | April 7 | First draft of documentation to Treasury Board | | | | |
| > | April 27 | Treasury Board Secretariat's permission given to proceed | | | | |
| > | April 28 | Final documents to Heritage for approval | | | | |
| > | May 14 | Latest date for Minister of Heritage to sign approval | | | | |
| > | June 11 | Treasury Board approval | | | | |



RESOLUTION

That, subject to Treasury Board approval, the proposed sale of CBC\Radio-Canada's Mobile Production Assets to Dome Productions be approved on the terms and conditions substantially the same as those presented to the Board of Directors at the meeting.



APPENDICES



APPENDIX 1: MOBILE ASSETS

- The Net Book Value of the Assets is estimated to be at March 31, 2015
- The 3 Mobile Production Units are:
 - HD Mobile 1 Encore
 - HD Mobile 2 Evolution
 - HD Mobile 4 Premiere
- Other Assets are:
 - 3 "B-Units" trailers to supplement production of main units
 - Other related mobile production assets

Note 1: The Mobile Production Units are large tractor-trailer combinations (dimensions $53'0'' L \times 8'4'' W \times 13'5'' H$) used for remote television production for large events. CBC/Radio-Canada will continue to maintain satellite units used for the purpose of newsgathering and reporting.



APPENDIX 2: CAPITAL CANADA

- CBC underwent an RFP process to select a financial advisor
- Capital Canada Ltd., the successful proponent, is an investment banking firm acting as CBC's financial advisor, pertaining to:
 - Preparation of the sale process, including due diligence, documentation and information gathering for potential purchasers
 - Contacting potential purchasers including execution of Non-disclosure agreements
 - Managing the auction process, evaluating proposals received and assisting in concluding the transaction
- For these services, Capital Canada will be paid of the price contained in the Final Agreement (plus incidental expense reimbursement)



APPENDIX 3: THE BIDDING PROCESS

- Capital Canada commenced marketing the sale of the Mobiles to selected potential bidders in October 2014
- Capital Canada identified a list of highly likely potential bidders to contact

- A process letter was distributed on January 5, 2015, to potential bidders specifying the requirements for the submission of non-binding proposal by January 19, 2015
- 4 non-binding proposals were received via email on January 19, 2015



APPENDIX 4: EVALUATION OF THE BIDS



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APPENDIX 5: SUMMARY OF BIDS

| | Bidder #1 | Bidder #2 | Bidder #3 | Bi | dder #4 |
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| Valuation (in millions) | | | | | |
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| Valuation Assumptions | | | | | |
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| Financing | | | | | |
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| Due diligence | | | | | |
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| Exclusivity | | | | | |
| Timing | | | | | |
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| Transition support | | | | | |
| Advisors | | | | | |
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APPENDIX 6: DOME'S SUCCESSFUL BID

We agree with Capital Canada's recommendation to accept Dome's offer of

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APPENDIX 7: NET PROCEEDS OF THE SALE

| Projected Net Proceeds of th | e Sale |
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| Sale Price | - |
| Projected Closing Costs: | - |
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| Projected Net Proceeds to CBC/Radio-Canada | _ |