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Re: Broadcasting Notice of Public Hearing CRTC 2007-12
Application No. 2007-0846-4 (Sun Country Cablevision Ltd.)
Application No. 2007-0851-3 (Harvard Broadcasting Inc.)
Application No. 2007-0857-1 (CHUM Limited)
Application No. 2007-0859-7 (Clear Sky Radio Inc.)
Application No. 2007-0862-0 (Touch Canada Broadcasting)
Application No. 2007-0863-8 (Northern Native Broadcasting)
Application No. 2007-0865-4 (Radio CJVR Ltd.)
Application No. 2007-0866-2 (In-House Communications Inc.)
Application No. 2006-0931-5 (Vista Radio Ltd.)
Application No. 2007-0852-1 (Deep Waters Media Inc.)
Application No. 2007-0860-5 (Corus Radio Company)

Dear Secretary General,

1. I am writing on behalf of the National Campus and Community Radio Association/l'Association nationale des radios étudiantes et communautaires (NCRA/ANREC), which is a not-for-profit national association working to recognize, support, and encourage volunteer-based, non-profit, public-access campus and community-based broadcasters in Canada.
2. We would like to draw the Commission's attention to the comments submitted by Campus-Community Radio Okanagan regarding the 11 commercial applicants in the Kelowna market to be decided at this hearing. We take no position regarding these applications, but we ask that the Commission take our and CIRO's comments into consideration in determining the best use of the frequencies available in the Kelowna market.
3. In our presentation during the Diversity of Voices proceeding, we requested that the CRTC consider reserving at least one full power licence in each market for a community radio station, even where none currently exists. We would like to ensure that each community has the option of creating a non-commercial station if it so desires, without being precluded due to spectrum scarcity. Our request is particularly relevant in the current Kelowna context.



4. As required by the *Broadcasting Act*, a healthy broadcasting system must include public, commercial, and community broadcasters. Therefore, it is important to ensure that new community stations can be licenced, and that developmental licencees are able to make the transition to full power protected status without encountering an absence of available frequencies.
5. While they have not yet applied for a licence, Campus-Community Radio Okanagan has demonstrated clear evidence of extensive planning and preparation to create a community station. They have also shown a clear community interest in the development of this service. We ask that you take this into consideration in determining the number of commercial licences that are available for approval in the Kelowna market.

Sincerely,

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