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Diane Rhéaume
Secretary General
Canadian Radio-television and
Telecommunications Commission
1 Promenade du Portage
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Dear Ms. Rhéaume,

Re: Authorization for The Score HD

The purpose of this letter is to seek the Commission's authorization to carry an upgraded version of The Score while the Commission finalizes its policy with respect to the framework for the distribution of high definition versions of pay and specialty services.

In Public Notice CRTC 2003-61, as an interim measure, the Commission allowed for the provision of upgraded versions of existing pay and specialty services by licence amendment. These comments were repeated in Public Notice CRTC 2004-58 which initiated a public process relating to the same issue.

In applying for this authorization, The Score agrees to comply with the requirements that the Commission set out in Public Notice CRTC 2003-61 including the following:

- (a) at least 95% of the video and audio components of the upgraded and analog versions of the service will be the same, exclusive of the commercial messages and of any part of the service carried on a subsidiary signal;
- (b) only those BDUs that are required, authorized or permitted to distribute an analog version of The Score will also be permitted to offer the upgraded version of The Score;
- (c) the terms and conditions for carriage of our HD service, including rates, will be negotiated with BDUs; and
- (d) conditions of licence applicable to our service shall similarly apply to our HD service.

Sports have and will continue to be a key driver in the proliferation of High Definition equipment and content. With the requested authorization, The Score will be able to provide its viewers with compelling HD content, and remain competitive with other sports networks who are already broadcasting in HD.

If you have questions regarding the foregoing, I would be pleased to respond.

Yours very truly,

THE SCORE TELEVISION NETWORK LTD.

Per: Benjamin Levy

Vice President