



Broadcasting Public Notice CRTC 2005-80

Ottawa, 8 August 2005

The Commission has received the following applications. The deadline for submission of interventions/comments is 12 September 2005.

Item Applicant and Locality

1. **TVA Group Inc.**
Across Canada
2. **The Ontario Educational Communications Authority (CICA-TV)**
Toronto, Ontario

1. **Across Canada** **Application No. 2005-0632-1**

Application by **TVA Group Inc.** (TVA) to amend the licence of the national specialty television programming undertaking known as Le Canal Nouvelles.

The licensee proposes to replace the following conditions of licence:

1. (a) The licensee shall provide a national French-language specialty television service, with programming that must be drawn exclusively from the following categories, as set out in section 6 of Schedule I of the *Specialty Services Regulations, 1990*, as amended from time to time:

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| 1 | News |
| 3 | Reporting and actualities |
| 12 | Interstitials |
| 13 | Public service announcements |

1.(b) Subject to 1.(d), the licensee shall maintain a "headline news" format presented in a continuously-updated fifteen minute wheel.

1.(c) Subject to 1.(d), in any broadcast week, no fifteen-minute period shall elapse without the broadcast of a headline news segment of a minimum of two minutes duration (excluding commercials). The headline news segment must contain a comprehensive news bulletin that includes such programming elements as news, weather, sports and business reports.

1.(d) The licensee shall be deemed to be in compliance with this condition provided there are no more than 25 occurrences, during any broadcast week, in which more than 15 minutes elapse without the broadcast of a headline news segment, as described in 1. (c). For the purposes of assessing compliance with this requirement, each 15-minute period that elapses without the broadcast of such a headline news segment shall count as a separate occurrence.

1.(e) During any occurrence in which more than 15 minutes elapse without the broadcast of a headline news segment, the licensee must provide an onscreen display of the headline news items.

With the following conditions:

1.(a) The licensee shall provide a national French-language specialty programming undertaking, which shall be restricted to the provision of headline news, and which shall have as its mandate the constant reporting and updating of breaking news and current events throughout the day. "Headline news" means frequent and ongoing coverage of immediate and current events and their context that are of interest to Quebecers and Canadians; and includes news from within Quebec and Canada as well as coverage of news and events from around the world from a Canadian and Quebec perspective.

(b) The licensee shall draw its programming exclusively from the following categories, as set out in section 6 of Schedule I of the Specialty Services Regulations, 1990, as amended from time to time.

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| 1 | News |
| 2 (a) | Analysis and interpretation |
| 3 | Reporting and actualities |
| 12 | Interstitials |
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(c) Not more than 12% of all programming broadcast during the broadcast week shall be drawn from category 2(a). All such programs must be related to headline news.

The Commission notes that TVA's proposal includes the addition of program category 2 (a) (analysis and interpretation), to the categories from which the licensee shall exclusively draw its programming.

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Examination of application:

At the licensee's address, and

Quebecor Media Inc.
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 Regulatory Affairs, 6th Floor East
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2. **Toronto, Ontario**
Application No. 2005-0689-2

Application by **The Ontario Educational Communications Authority (TV Ontario)** to amend the licence of the English-language television programming undertaking CICA-TV Toronto.

The licensee proposes to replace the condition of licence requiring it to broadcast a minimum overall level of 65% Canadian programming each broadcast day. This condition reads:

“The licensee shall devote not less than 65% of the broadcast day to the distribution of Canadian programs.”

In place of the above-noted condition, the licensee seeks approval to broadcast a minimum overall level of 60% Canadian programming each broadcast day. The minimum Canadian program level for a broadcast year for commercial television stations required by section 4(6) of the *Television Broadcasting Regulations, 1987* is 60%.

The applicant states that the 5% reduction will provide the flexibility needed to invest more in new, high quality Canadian programs throughout the broadcast day.

It also points out that a minimum of 60% Canadian content over the broadcast day will bring its obligation in line with most other broadcasters in Canada, including all other educational broadcasters.

Licensee's address:

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Examination of application:

At the licensee's address

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Public Participation

Deadline for Interventions/Comments

12 September 2005

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.

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

located below the description of each application within this public notice

or

by mail to

CRTC, 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.

The Commission advises those who file and serve by electronic mode to exercise caution when using e-mail for service of documents or notification, as it may be difficult to establish that service has occurred.

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.

Important

All information submitted, including your email address, name and any other personal information as provided, will become part of the public record and can be viewed on the Commission's Web site.

Documents sent in electronic format will be put on the Commission's Web site exactly as we received them, and in the official language and format in which they are sent. Documents not received electronically will be scanned and put on the Web site.

Examination of Documents

An electronic version of applications is available from the Commission's web site by selecting the application number within this notice.

A list of all interventions/comments will also be available on the Commission's Web site. 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 Web site.

Documents are also available during normal office hours at the local address provided in this notice and at the Commission offices and documentation centres directly involved with these applications or, upon request, within 2 working days, at any other CRTC offices and documentation centres.

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