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Ms. Diane Rhéaume Secretary General Canadian Radio-television and Telecommunications Commission Ottawa ON K1A 0N2

Dear Ms. Rhéaume

Subject: Application for Allocation of 511 for Weather and Traveller Information

It has been brought to our attention that an application will be brought forward to the Canadian Radiotelevision and Telecommunications Commission (CRTC) for the allocation of 511 as a pan-Canadian telephone number for weather and traveller information services.

Our organization wishes to express support for the allocation of 511 for weather and traveller information. We believe this application addresses the criteria for assignment of an N11 number as previously determined by the CRTC and merits the careful consideration of the Commission.

The number 511 is easily remembered, will provide the public with improved access to weather and traveller information, and will be an effective complement to services provided through 511 in the United States.

Sincerely,

Andrew T. Horosko Deputy Minister

cc: 511 Consortium