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It is our understanding that Avis de Recherche (ADR) has been embraced by our colleagues in the province of Québec and that the service has surpassed their initial expectations. Not only has ADR contributed in locating wanted suspects and missing persons, but it has also assisted law enforcement agencies and other public safety bodies in information and educating Quebecers in all matters pertaining to public safety. It has been used as a vehicle by all public safety and wellbeing of the community. As such, we join in support of ADR's application to retain its status as a Public Interest service.

More importantly, we would equally like to benefit from the availability of a similar English language service in the rest of Canada. As such, we support the application made by *All Points Bulleting (APB)* which would grant the same status as *ADR* in accordance with Article 9(1) (h) of the *Broadcast Act*.

In today's borderless criminal environment, law enforcement must use all available technology and tactics in order to be effective in apprehending suspects, detecting crime, and locating and protecting the victims of crime. To this end, the Greater Sudbury Police Service works diligently with our local media to ensure that accurate and timely information is passed on to citizens to assist them with their security and safety. This is an integral part of our commitment to our community.

As such, the public interest nature of this proposed TV channel is of exceptional importance to our community, and Canadians in general. With this medium in place, police services would be capable of broadcasting information on missing persons, suspects and other issues of public safety and crime prevention instantly to the public. I endorse the efforts of Avis de Recherché and All Points Bulletin TV in this regard and encourage the CRTC to approve these applications.

Yours truly,

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