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Secretary General, John Traversy CRTC Ottawa, Ontario K1A 0N2

Reference: Article 7 of CRTC 2013-19 (Applications 2012-0689-7 and 2012-1051-7)

Dear Mr. Traversy,

I am writing to you in support of the above 2 applications currently being considered by the CRTC for "Public Interest" status.

I have had an opportunity to review the literature supporting the applications of *All Points Bulletin T.V. and Avis de Recherche TV* and to view some of the presentations currently available at the Avis de Recherche TV location. From a police perspective, opportunities to share pertinent and timely information which could assist in improving the safety and security of a community such as that being proposed, is certainly worthy of due consideration. Reference is made to sharing information on wanted persons or missing children but additionally, there are so many more applications that could be utilized.

Municipalities have been struggling for years to find an expeditious and cost effective way of notifying an entire community of a developing emergency situation; a mass evacuation; or what to do and where to go after a disaster strikes. We could use a public broadcasting service like this to assist police and family members in locating missing Alzheimer patients, or those suffering mental health issues or as another means to distribute Amber Alert messages. The opportunities to capitalize on this media outlet are limitless and are of exceptional importance to all Canadians.

If police departments across the country truly embrace the philosophy of Community Policing, then sharing information and supporting one another through these types of public forums are an excellent opportunity to do so. As such, the Guelph Police Service would like to offer our support of these applications.

Sincerely,

Bryan M. Larkin Chief of Police

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