



ALTONA POLICE SERVICE

address all correspondence to the Chief of Police - Perry J. Batchelor

Box 1809
Altona, MB
Canada R0G 0B0
Tel. (204) 324-5373 (Admin.)
Fax. (204) 324-1904
police.services@altona.ca

February 4, 2013

Mr. John Traversy
Secretary General
CRTC
Ottawa, Ontario
K1A0A3

Notice of Consultation: CRTC 2013-19
Reference Numbers: 2012-1051-7 and 2012-0689-7

Dear Mr. Traversy,

It is our understanding that « Avis de Recherche » (ADR) has been embraced by our colleagues in the province of Quebec 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 informing and educating Quebecers in all matters pertaining to public safety. It has been used as a vehicle by all public safety bodies to reach out to the community with informative programming aimed at improving the safety and well-being of the community. As such, The Altona Police Service joins 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 respectfully request that the CRTC approve the application by "All Points Bulletin" (APB) and grant it the same status as ADR in accordance with Article 9(1)h) of the Broadcast Act.

I began my correspondence with the suggested dialogue sent to me by Mr. Vincent Geracitano in order to ensure that I covered all areas of importance to the CRTC. On a more personnel note, Mr. Geracitano spent a fair bit of time on the phone with me this morning explaining the programming itself. I also took the time to view some of the excellent documentaries and other services located on ARD'S website. I see tremendous value to Emergency Services in this type of programming should the CRTC see fit to grant his company's request.

Sincerely Yours,



Perry Batchelor
Chief of Police
Altona Police Service