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Secretary General John Traversy
Canadian Radio-television and
Telecommunications Commission
Ottawa, ON K1A 0N2

Dear Mr. Traversy:

Re: Notice of Consultation CRTC 2013-19
Reference Number: 2012-0689-7 « All Points Bulletin »
Reference Number: 2012-1051-7 « Avis de Recherche »

The Edmonton Police Service is writing in support of the above application by "All Points Bulletin" (APB) to obtain Public Interest status.

Communication to the public is a key priority for all police services, and this application proposes a nation-wide public safety network to bring accurate, timely and truly informative programming to benefit all Canadians. Conveying public safety and crime prevention information through television is invaluable to the proactive, Community Based Policing approach the Edmonton Police Service endorses.

It is also our understanding that "Avis de Recherche" (ADR) has been supported by our policing colleagues in the province of Quebec and that the service has surpassed 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. As such, the Edmonton Police Service supports 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*.

The successful implementation of this nation-wide service as proposed will serve, without a doubt, the public interest and provide an important tool for law enforcement to increase public safety. We encourage the CRTC to approve these applications for the benefit of all Canadians.

Sincerely,

Rod R. Knecht
Chief of Police
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