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Claude Doucet  
Secretary General  
CRTC  
Ottawa, ON K1A 0N2

Dear Secretary General,

**Re: Part 1 licence renewal applications submitted by Rogers Media Inc. (2019-0901-1, 2019-0913-6, 2019-0923-5, 2019-0903-7, 2019-0915-2, 2019-0926-9, 2019-0906-1, 2019-0919-4, 2019-0927-7, 2019-0907-9, 2019-0920-2, 2019-0929-3, 2019-0910-3, 2019-0936-8, 2019-0935-0, 2019-0911-0) and by Corus Radio Inc. and 591989 B.C. Ltd. (2019-0638-0, 2019-0655-4, 2019-0663-7, 2019-0640-6, 2019-0656-2, 2019-0664-5, 2019-0641-3, 2019-0657-0, 2019-0665-3, 2019-0642-1, 2019-0659-6, 2019-0666-1, 2019-0651-2, 2019-0661-1, 2019-0695-0, 2019-0652-0, 2019-0662-9, 2019-0697-6) – section 29(3) of the CRTC’s Rules of Practice and Procedure**

The Forum for Research and Policy in Communications (FRPC) is a non-profit and non-partisan organization established to undertake research and policy analysis about electronic communications, including broadcasting.

On 20 January 2020 the Forum intervened with respect to 34 Part I radio licence renewal applications submitted in early December 2019 by Rogers Media Inc. (Rogers), and by Corus Radio Inc. and 591989 B.C. Ltd. (Corus).

The Forum’s intervention requested information offered by Rogers and Corus in their applications. Specifically, the Forum requested a copy of the document regarding employment information offered in each application submitted by Rogers and Corus:

Rogers

The licensee is subject to the Employment Equity Act (applicable to federally-regulated employers with 100 or more employees). The licensee keeps a record of the total number and percentage of on-air employees (full-time, part-time and temporary), including voice-overs, from each designated group, as well as the total number of all on-air employees who were employed in the last year. A copy of this record is available upon request.<sup>1</sup>

Corus:

The licensee is subject to the Employment Equity Act (applicable to federally-regulated employers with 100 or more employees). The licensee keeps a record

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<sup>1</sup> DM#3693411, Application by Rogers to renew CISQ-FM, at 5 of 8, s. 3 (“Employment equity / On-air presence”).

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Corus replied to the Forum's intervention on 30 January 2020; Rogers did not reply.

As it did not reply to the Forum's intervention, Rogers did not provide the requested document; Corus replied, but also did not provide the requested document.

The *Canadian Radio-television and Telecommunications Commission Rules of Practice and Procedure* (SOR/2010-277) provide as follows:

Request for documents

29 (1) A party may request in writing that any other party produce for the requesting party's inspection a copy of any document that has been referred to in a document that the other party has filed with the Commission and permit the requesting party to make copies of it.

Marginal note: Filing and service of request

(2) The requesting party must file its request with the Commission and serve it on the other party.

Marginal note: Failure to produce document

**(3) A party that fails to produce a copy of the document within 10 days after the day on which the request is filed must not rely on the document.**

Marginal note: Electronic version or link

(4) In order to comply with the request, the party may produce an electronic version of the document or provide an electronic link to the document, where it may be accessed free of charge.

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Sincerely yours,



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<sup>2</sup> DM#3693411, Application by Corus to renew CIMJ-FM, at 5 of 8, s. 3 ("Employment equity / On-air presence").