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| **Timelines and steps in the CRTC’s 2019-379 proceeding to consider CBC's applications****for the CRTC to renew CBC's licences and continue to exempt some of CBC's online services from regulation** |
| **Date** | **Event** | **Outcome, if any** |
| 28 May 2013 | CRTC renews CBC’s radio and television network and station licences from 1 September 2013 to 31 August 2018 in *Canadian Broadcasting Corporation – Licence renewals*, [Broadcasting Decision CRTC 2013-263](https://crtc.gc.ca/eng/archive/2013/2013-263.htm) and Broadcasting Orders CRTC 2013-264 and 2013-265 (Ottawa, 28 May 2013) |  |
| 27 July 2017 | CRTC administratively renews CBC's radio and television licences from 1 September 2018 to 31 August 2019, in Broadcasting Decision CRTC 2017-269, <https://crtc.gc.ca/eng/archive/2017/2017-269.htm> |  |
| 29 October 2018 | CRTC administratively renews CBC's radio and television licences from 1 September 2019 to 31 August 2020 in Broadcasting Decision CRTC 2018-407, <https://crtc.gc.ca/eng/archive/2018/2018-407.htm> |  |
| 22 May 2019 | CBC announces it has a new 3-year strategic plan*, Your Stories, Taken to Heart*  |  |
| 23 May 2019 | CRTC writes CBC regarding the renewal of its radio and television programming services |  |
| 25 November 2019 | CRTC [publishes CBC's applications](https://services.crtc.gc.ca/pub/instances-proceedings/Default-defaut.aspx?EN=2019-379&Lang=eng&_ga=2.38658211.1888836314.1604845393-1211976415.1582553073) and sets 13 February 2020 as the deadline for interventions | 2019-379-4 sets hearing to begin 11 January 2021 |
| 29 Nov 2019 | Friends of Canadian Broadcasting [asks for more information](https://services.crtc.gc.ca/pub/DocWebBroker/OpenDocument.aspx?Key=274104&Type=Notice) about CBC’s licence renewal applications: incremental funding for CBC, CBC's full strategic plan, historical and projected financial information by platform and genre | CRTC [denies the request on 28 January 2020](https://crtc.gc.ca/eng/archive/2020/lb200128.htm?_ga=2.60204845.1888836314.1604845393-1211976415.1582553073) but asks CBC for more financial information |
| 9 December 2019 | CRTC’s Facebook consultation ends |  |
| 23 January 2020 | FRPC [asks CRTC to disclose information](https://services.crtc.gc.ca/pub/DocWebBroker/OpenDocument.aspx?Key=274104&Type=Notice) about CBC’s online services and numbers of its news employees  | CRTC staff [denies the request on 17 February 2020](https://crtc.gc.ca/eng/archive/2020/lb200217.htm?_ga=2.236301185.1888836314.1604845393-1211976415.1582553073) |
| 28 January 2020 | CRTC extends intervention deadline in 2019-379 proceeding from 13 February 2020 to 20 February 2020 in [2019-379-1](https://crtc.gc.ca/eng/archive/2019/2019-379-1.htm?_ga=2.123266891.1761596786.1603644533-1211976415.1582553073) |  |
| 29 January 2020 | Report of the Broadcasting and Telecommunications Legislative Review panel published |  |
| 4 February 2020 | FRPC [asks CRTC](https://services.crtc.gc.ca/pub/DocWebBroker/OpenDocument.aspx?Key=274104&Type=Notice) 1. to ask CBC for the Strategic Plan CBC’s Board of Directors approved in March 2019, and to place the plan on the 2019-379 public record2. post CBC’s broadcast notifications on the public record of the proceeding | CRTC [denies the request on 22 July 2020](https://crtc.gc.ca/eng/archive/2020/lb200722.htm?_ga=2.236301057.1888836314.1604845393-1211976415.1582553073) (in part because FRPC posted the plan on its website; FRPC subsequently asked CRTC for the broadcast notification information under the *Access to Information Act* and published an analysis of the notifications showing numerous errors) |
| 8 February 2020 | Community Media Advocacy Centre (CMACC) [asks CRTC](https://services.crtc.gc.ca/pub/DocWebBroker/OpenDocument.aspx?Key=274104&Type=Notice) to order CBC to release information about diversity | CRTC staff denies the request on [19 February 2020](https://crtc.gc.ca/eng/archive/2020/lb200219.htm?_ga=2.60204845.1888836314.1604845393-1211976415.1582553073), and suggests CMAC ask for this in its intervention |
| 20 February 2020 | Interventions on CBC's applications in 2019-379 due | More than 10,000 interventions are [submitted to the CRTC](https://services.crtc.gc.ca/pub/ListeInterventionList/Default-Defaut.aspx?en=2019-379&dt=i&lang=e&S=C&PA=b&PT=nc&PST=a)  |
| 26 February 2020 | FRPC asks CBC to provides dates of its broadcast notifications | CBC denies the request on 11 March 2020  |
| 6 March 2020 | CBC replies to interveners, and offers to file additional financial information by mid-April 2020“… CBC/Radio-Canada is willing to place additional financial information on the record of this proceeding. In particular, we will submit to the Commission, by April 17, 2020, financial information regarding our digital activities, including those operating outside of the DMEO.” |  |
| 11 March 2020 | World Health Organization announces that Covid-19 is a global pandemic[[1]](#footnote-1) |  |
| 12 March 2020 | FRPC asks CRTC to place list of CBC's broadcast notifications on public record in relation to CBC's claims about trustworthiness | CRTC denies the request on [22 July 2020](https://crtc.gc.ca/eng/archive/2020/lb200722.htm?_ga=2.236301057.1888836314.1604845393-1211976415.1582553073) |
| 12 March 2020 | FRPC [asks CRTC](https://services.crtc.gc.ca/pub/DocWebBroker/OpenDocument.aspx?Key=274104&Type=Notice) to add attached copy of CBC's 53-page redacted March 2019 strategic plan to the record of the 2019-379 proceeding due to the plan’s relevance  | CRTC denies the request on [22 July 2020](https://crtc.gc.ca/eng/archive/2020/lb200722.htm?_ga=2.236301057.1888836314.1604845393-1211976415.1582553073) |
| 14 April 2020 | Quebecor [asks CRTC](https://services.crtc.gc.ca/pub/DocWebBroker/OpenDocument.aspx?Key=274104&Type=Notice) to consider unfair competition by CBC with private broadcasters | CRTC staff denies the request on [6 May 2020](https://crtc.gc.ca/eng/archive/2020/lb200506.htm?_ga=2.26127293.1888836314.1604845393-1211976415.1582553073) |
| 6 May 2020 | CRTC writes CBC and refers to “the filing of additional financial information regarding [CBC's] digital activities”[[2]](#footnote-2) mentioned by CBC in its 6 March 2020 reply |  |
| 11 May 2020 | CBC writes the CRTC to say that by 12 June 2020 it will file the additional information mentioned in its 6 March 2020 *Reply* for the years of 2018/19 to 2022/23, by 12 June 2020.[[3]](#footnote-3)  |  |
| 25 May 2020 | CRTC public hearing originally scheduled to begin concerning CBC's applications postponed |  |
| 12 June 2020 | CBC files one page of new financial evidence about its conventional and digital services |  |
| 22 June 2020 | CRTC invites comment on CBC's new financial evidence, in [2019-379-3](https://crtc.gc.ca/eng/archive/2019/2019-379-3.htm?_ga=2.60140461.1888836314.1604845393-1211976415.1582553073)Broadcasting Decision CRTC 2020-201 renews CBC's broadcasting licences administratively from September 2020 to end of August 2021, and extends distribution orders for three of CBC's discretionary television programming services |  |
| 13 July 2020 | Interveners, including FRPC, reply to CBC's new financial evidence |  |
| 23 July 2020 | CBC replies to interveners and states at paragraph 13 that“…CBC/Radio-Canada cannot provide any meaningful predictions regarding its future financial circumstances. No clarity for projections is likely before at least 18 to 24 months. And even then, any economic and financial predictions will be tentative, at best.” |  |
| 24 July 2020 | CMAC [asks CRTC](https://services.crtc.gc.ca/pub/DocWebBroker/OpenDocument.aspx?Key=274104&Type=Notice) to order CBC to file more employee data with respect to diversity and complaints about discrimination or racism | CRTC denies the request request on [10 November 2020](https://crtc.gc.ca/eng/archive/2020/lb201110.htm?_ga=2.60204845.1888836314.1604845393-1211976415.1582553073) |
| 4 August 2020 | FRPC [asks CRTC](https://frpc.net/wp-content/uploads/2020/08/2020-08-02-Procedural-request-FRPC-CBC-Renewal.pdf) to terminate the 2019-379 proceeding due to lack of evidence and to instead review its policy for public broadcasting  |  |
| 2 September 2020 | FRPC [asks CRTC](https://frpc.net/wp-content/uploads/2020/09/2020-09-02-2019-359-Procedural-request-FRPC-2.pdf) to add information about broadcast notifications to 2019-379 proceeding |  |
| 28 October 2020 | FRPC [asks CRTC](https://frpc.net/wp-content/uploads/2020/10/2020-10-28-Procedural-request-FRPC-Tandem-initiative.pdf) to add CBC’s ‘Tandem initiative’ in branded content to 2019-379 proceeding |  |
| 30 October 2020 | FRPC [asks CRTC](https://frpc.net/wp-content/uploads/2020/10/2020-10-30-Procedural-request-FRPC-Tandem-supplementary-facts.pdf) to add new evidence about CBC's ‘years-long’ practice of publishing branded content |  |
| [10 November 2020](https://crtc.gc.ca/eng/archive/2020/lb201110a.htm?_ga=2.261079821.1888836314.1604845393-1211976415.1582553073) | CRTC asks CBC for more information regarding diversity | Deadline: 1 December 2020 |
| 13 November 2020 | 25 former employees of the CBC [ask CRTC](https://frpc.net/wp-content/uploads/2020/11/Letter-to-the-CRTC.pdf) to investigate Tandem, or in the alternative, to change its procedures to add the branding issue to the agenda of the 2019-379 proceeding |  |
| 24 November 2020 | [CBC writes the CRTC](https://frpc.net/wp-content/uploads/2020/11/CBCSRC_Reply-to-FRPC-Procedural-Request_November-24-2020-EN-Final.pdf) with reference to the Forum’s 28 and 30 October 2020 procedural requests and includes answers to 10 questions raised by former CBC employees about Tandem |  |
| 25 November 2020 | [FRPC answers](https://frpc.net/wp-content/uploads/2020/11/2020-11-25-Procedural-request-FRPC-Tandem-answer-to-CBC.pdf) CBC's 24 November 2020 letter, noting that CBC did not oppose the addition of Tandem to the 2019-379 proceeding, and that CBC was apparently seeking to add new evidence about branded content to the proceeding’s record (without asking for the CRTC’s consent to do so, given section 24 of the CRTC’s [Rules of Practice and Procedure](https://laws.justice.gc.ca/eng/regulations/SOR-2010-277/page-2.html#h-766476): “An applicant must not amend an application or file any supplementary documents related to the application with the Commission after the application has been posted on the Commission’s website.”)  |  |

1. World Health Organization, <https://www.who.int/news-room/detail/27-04-2020-who-timeline---covid-19?gclid=Cj0KCQjw6ar4BRDnARIsAITGzlDgAHphNSGCJZxEYv7KNTe2NMieFspkCb90t7vHphzMFwGAPJLk13gaAogMEALw_wcB>. [↑](#footnote-ref-1)
2. DM#3849736, CBC, *Response from CBC/Radio-Canada to the Request for information -*

*Filing of additional financial information regarding the CBC/SRC’s digital*

*activities Applications # 2019-0280-0, 2019-0279-2, 2019-0282-5 and*

*2019-0281-7*, 11 May 2020 letter. [↑](#footnote-ref-2)
3. CBC, *Response from CBC/Radio-Canada to the Request for information - Filing of additional financial information regarding the CBC/SRC’s digital activities Applications # 2019-0280-0, 2019-0279-2, 2019-0282-5 and 2019-0281-7*, Letter (11 May 2020) DM#3849736, answer to question a). [↑](#footnote-ref-3)