

September 26, 2014

John Traversy
Secretary General
Canadian Radio-television and Telecommunications Commission
Les Terrasses de la Chaudière
1 Promenade du Portage
Gatineau, Quebec J8X 4B1

Dear Mr. Traversy,

Re: Telecom Notice of Consultation CRTC 2014-188 *Establishing the Structure and Mandate of the Video Relay Service Administrator - Proposal*

1. The Canadian Wireless Telecommunications Association (CWTA) is the recognized authority on wireless issues, developments and trends in Canada. It represents wireless service providers as well as companies that develop and produce products and services for the industry, including handset and equipment manufacturers, content and application creators and business-to-business service providers.
2. CWTA is pleased to file its comments on behalf of its members in support of the above noted proposal, which was submitted to the CRTC on July 25th, by the Interim Board of Directors (Interim Board) of the Video Relay Service (VRS) Administrator. The Interim Board is a collaborative body with representation from both the telecommunication service providers and the Deaf and hard of hearing communities, that also consulted many stakeholders in the process of formulating their proposal. CWTA believes that the Interim Board achieved a broad consensus from all interested stakeholders on how the VRS Administrator should be constituted and the mechanism through which it's funding should be obtained.

Conclusion

3. CWTA reiterates its support for proposal, submitted by the Interim Board of Directors of the VRS Administrator for establishing the structure and mandate of the video relay service administrator, and believes that CRTC should adopt it as soon as possible so that VRS can be made available to all Canadians.
4. CWTA appreciates the opportunity to share its views with the Commission.

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