



35 Madison Ave.,
Toronto, ON M5R 2S2

**IN THE MATTER OF a proposed Order under Section 8 of the
Telecommunications Act – Policy Direction to the Canadian Radio-television and
Telecommunications Commission.**

The Consumers Council of Canada wishes to indicate its support for the submission made by the Public Interest Advocacy Centre (PIAC) on the proposed Order under Section 8 of the *Telecommunications Act* – Policy Direction to the Canadian Radio-television and Telecommunications Commission.

The Consumers Council of Canada is an independent, non-profit organization, federally incorporated working with consumers, corporations and governments to promote consumers' rights and responsibilities for a more effective marketplace.

The Consumers Council of Canada agrees with PIAC that the proposed order is unnecessary in light of the CRTC's forbearance record. The Government, with the proposed Policy Direction, is not facilitating competition. Instead, it is intervening to protect the interests of the regulated incumbents without ensuring that the interests of other stakeholders are protected.

Sincerely,

Bill Huzar,
President

