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Director General,
Telecommunications Policy Branch,
Industry Canada,
300 Slater Street,
Ottawa, Ontario, K1A 0C8

Dear Sir,

**Canada Gazette, Part 1, November 19, 2005
Notice No. DGTP-010-05-Modification to the Canadian Table of Frequency
Allocations to recognize the use of spectrum for satellite radio services in
Canada.**

Sirius Canada Inc. ("Sirius") is one of two Canadian satellite radio enterprises licensed by the Canadian Radio-Television and Telecommunications Commission ("CRTC"). Sirius strongly supports the Department's initiative.

Sirius was an active participant in the Department's consultation launched in October, 2004 relating to the use of foreign specialized satellite facilities for the transmission of Canadian digital satellite facilities for the transmission of Canadian digital satellite subscription radio services in Canada. This process culminated on September 26, 2005 with the clarification of the satellite use policy through a joint release by the Departments of Industry and Canadian Heritage. That clarification approved the use of foreign specialized satellite facilities for the transmission of Canadian digital satellite facilities for the transmission of Canadian digital satellite subscription radio services in Canada.

This approval followed the approval in June, 2005 of three applications for subscription radio service by the CRTC. Two of those applications, including that of Sirius, proposed to operate in the S-Band (2320-2345 MHz) which has been allocated by the ITU to a number of countries, not including Canada.





That is why it is important for Canada to proceed now with appropriate modifications to both the Canadian Table and the International Table. Sirius supports the provisional adoption by the Department of the following domestic footnote:

CXX Additional Allocation: The band 2320-2345 MHz is also allocated to the broadcasting-satellite service (sound) and complementary terrestrial broadcasting service on a primary basis. Spectrum utilization policies provide the inter-service relationship with respect to broadcasting service operation.

Sirius also supports the Department's consequential action to include the name of the Administration of Canada to the ITU Footnote No. 5, 393 in order to protect and recognize Canadian satellite radio services at the international level. Sirius understands that this proposal would be made at the 2007 ITU World Radiocommunication Conference (WRC-2007).

All of which is respectfully submitted.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Mark Redmond". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large, sweeping flourish at the end.

Mark Redmond
President and CEO
Sirius Canada Inc.

