



June 11, 2019

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(Submitted by email)

Dear Ms. Gallant,

**Re: RSS-123, Issue 4, *Licensed Wireless Microphones***

In March 2019, the Department requested the RABC review the proposed changes to RSS-123. The Department also requested RABC post the consultation to the RABC website in order to facilitate the receipt of comments from WTO members. We have not received any correspondence via the WTO portal in relation to RSS-123.

The Board created a special working group to conduct its review of RSS-123. The working group held one call to review the proposed changes. During the call, NAV Canada expressed some concern regarding whether the aeronautical bands would be sufficiently protected from the introduction of wireless microphones.

RABC understands that ISED, Transport Canada and NAV Canada held discussions to review the concerns of NAV CANADA. Following these discussions, the Department sent RABC a new draft of RSS-123 to review. The new draft included the introduction of a guard band to offer additional protection. RABC further understands that the guard band provision will also be reflected in a new issue of CPC-2-1-11 — *Licensed Low-Power Radio Apparatus*.

RABC has completed its review and is satisfied with the updated draft of RSS-123. We appreciate having had the opportunity to review the proposed standard.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "J.D. Farnes". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

J. David Farnes  
General Manager