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Scholarship

The William Taylor Scholarship in Radiocommunications is awarded annually to an engineering student who has completed (at a minimum) their second year in an accredited Canadian University, and who's intention it is to continue their studies in pursuit of a career in telecommunications. The qualities demonstrated by this individual will be academic excellence coupled with their involvement in the industry and balanced with their contribution to their community, their family and their own personal interests. This scholarship is worth \$3,500. **The application deadline is: Midnight, May 31, 2020.**

Next Quarterly

Our next Quarterly Meeting will take place on May 14th. The Board's Annual General Meeting will also be held that day.

L'avenir des communications au Canada: le temps d'agir/Canada's Communications Future: Time to Act



Monica Song, Partner Dentons Canada LLP

Au cours de la dernière réunion trimestrielle, Monica Song a présenté aux membres un sommaire des principales recommandations du Comité d'examen de la législation. La présentation est accessible aux membres sur le site Internet.

During the last Quarterly Meeting, Monica Song provided members a summary of the Legislative Review Panel's key recommendations. The presentation is available to members on the RABC website.

La Bourse

La Bourse d'études en Radiocommunications de CCCR William Taylor est décernée chaque année à un étudiant en ingénierie qui a terminé (au moins) sa deuxième année d'études dans une université canadienne accréditée et qui a l'intention de poursuivre ses études en vue d'entreprendre une carrière dans le domaine des télécommunications. Pour obtenir ce prix, la personne choisie aura fait preuve d'excellence dans ses travaux universitaires et aura participé aux activités de l'industrie tout en contribuant de façon équilibrée à sa collectivité, à sa famille et à d'autres activités qui présentent un intérêt personnel. La valeur de cette bourse est de 3 500 \$.

Les demandes peuvent être présentées jusqu'au 31 mai 2020.

Call for Volunteers

To sustain our work, we are always looking for volunteers. If you would like to chair a review committee, please contact the General Manager.

Prochaine réunion

Notre prochaine réunion trimestrielle aura lieu le 14 mai. L'assemblée générale annuelle du Conseil se tiendra également ce jour-là.

Committee Business

Committee activity was very busy during the first quarter of 2020. There are a significant number of consultations underway:

- SRSP-331.8 – *Technical Requirements for Fixed Radio Systems Operating in the Band 31.8 – 33.4 GHz*



General Manager David Farnes, EVP Charles Rousseau and President Viet Nguyen reviewing the March 5th meeting agenda.

- ICES-002, issue 7, January 2020 – *Vehicles, Boats and Other Devices Equipped with Internal Combustion Engines, Traction Batteries or Both*
- ICES-001, issue 5, January 2020 – *Industrial, Scientific and Medical (ISM) Equipment*
- RSS-125, issue 3, January 2020 – *Land Mobile and Fixed Equipment Operating in the Frequency Range 1.705 to 30 MHz*
- RSS-192, issue 4, December 2019 – *Flexible Use Broadband Equipment Operating in the Band 3450-3650 MHz*
- SRSP-520, issue 1, December 2019 – *Technical Requirements for Flexible Use Broadband Systems in the Band 3450-3650 MHz*
- Broadcasting Circular 15, Issue 2 – *On-Air Testing Procedures for Broadcasting Undertakings*

Le Comité des communications sans fil fixes a également soumis une liste des futures activités prioritaires relatives aux normes de services fixes pour examen par le Ministère.

The Fixed Wireless Communications Committee also submitted a list of prioritized future fixed services standards activities for the Department's consideration.

Collaboration

Members of the RABC Executive Committee were pleased to recently meet with Senior Assistant Deputy Minister Eric Dagenais, to discuss shared priorities. Government and spectrum stakeholders have been collaborating to ensure the efficient use of spectrum for over 75 years! The Board's Quarterly Meetings offer an important opportunity to discuss spectrum innovation.

Les membres du Comité exécutif du CCCR ont eu le plaisir de rencontrer récemment le sous-ministre adjoint principal Eric Dagenais pour discuter des priorités communes. Le gouvernement et les intervenants du spectre collaborent pour assurer une utilisation efficace du spectre depuis plus de 75 ans! Les réunions trimestrielles du Conseil offrent une occasion importante de discuter de l'innovation dans le spectre.



RABC President Viet Nguyen and ISSED's Eric Dagenais (Senior Assistant Deputy Minister)

Updates from the Department

The updates from ISSED also offered a glimpse into the anticipated workload in the coming quarter:

- Revision of SRSP-301.7 (1.8 GHz band)
- Updates to ICES-003 (Issue 7) - *Multimedia Equipment*
- New SPR-004 (Issue 1) - *Procedure for Portable Devices Operating in the 60 GHz band*
- Draft changes to CPC-2-0-20, *Radio Frequency (RF) Fields – Signs and Access Control*
- GL-01, *Guidelines for the Measurement of Radio Frequency Fields at Frequencies From 3 kHz to 300 GHz is in development and will account for m-MIMO*
- A review of SRSP-511 (700 MHz narrowband) is planned to incorporate new limits/rules for air-ground services

During the Quarterly Meeting members raised questions regarding the licensing framework for wireless microphones in the 940-960 MHz band. RABC intends to facilitate a call between the Department and broadcasters to help clarify the details for the licensing of wireless microphones.

Point Final

Alors que le monde met en œuvre des stratégies pour atténuer l'impact de COVID19, CCCR a l'intention de poursuivre son travail de comité en utilisant Webex pour faciliter l'examen continu des normes et des réglementations. Pour les réunions trimestrielles et annuelles de mai, nous prévoyons de nous rencontrer en personne à Ottawa. Si la situation nous empêche de nous réunir, l'assemblée générale annuelle sera tenue par Webex et l'assemblée trimestrielle sera reportée.



ISED's David Willis, Lenbrook's Bob Simmonds and Cindy Cook (ISED) in deep discussion during the March Quarterly Meeting.

Nous surveillons également activement les mesures d'urgence récemment prises par le gouvernement du Canada, les provinces et d'autres organisations. Des discussions sont en cours pour comprendre l'impact que ces mesures d'urgence pourraient avoir sur l'industrie, y compris l'impact des restrictions de déplacement sur les visites des sites, les inspections des sites et le plan de transition de 600 MHz. La direction demandera au Ministère de discuter de la nécessité d'une dispense réglementaire.

As the world implements strategies to mitigate the impact of COVID19, RABC intends to continue its committee work using Webex to facilitate the ongoing review of standards and regulations. For the May Quarterly and Annual meetings, we will plan to meet in person in Ottawa. Should the situation prevent us from meeting, the Annual General Meeting will be held by Webex and the Quarterly Meeting will be postponed.

We are also actively monitoring the emergency measures recently taken by the Government of Canada, the provinces and other organizations. Discussions are ongoing to understand the impact these emergency measures may have on the industry, including the impact travel restrictions will have on sites visits, site inspections and the 600 MHz transition plan. The Board will be engaging the Department to discuss whether any regulatory relief is required.