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Madame Diane Rheume
Secretary General CRTC
CRTC, Ottawa (Ontario)
K1A 0N2

Dear Madame Rheume:

Reference: **Letter of Support**
Article 7 of CRTC 2007-1,
application numbers 2006-0508-2 and 2006-0509-0

I am writing in support of the above applications in which the proprietors of Avis de Recherche TV and All Points Bulletin TV seek Public Interest status under provisions of the *Broadcasting Act*.

Modern law enforcement is conducted against a backdrop of a borderless, high-tech criminal environment. To be effective, law enforcement must use up-to-date technology and tactics in dealing with any aspect of public safety, be it the detection of crime, location and protection of victims, or apprehension of suspects.

The Winnipeg Police Service has pioneered initiatives to apply recent technological advances, such as the detection of child sexual exploitation. Through partnership with other agencies, the Service developed an integrated model of policing this heinous crime, and our approach developed into the widely-recognized national program Cybertip!ca.

With this type of success in mind, the Winnipeg Police Service views Avis de Recherche TV and All Points Bulletin TV as being powerful tools and essential components in the delivery of public safety services.

The public interest nature of this type of TV channel would be of immense value in enhancing our service to Canadians. Opportunities provided by such service would be unparalleled in their impact; law enforcement would be capable of having information on suspects, missing persons and other issues of public safety and crime prevention shared instantly with a large percentage of the Canadian public.

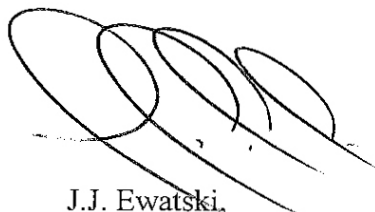
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The successful implementation of a nation-wide service such as this is indeed a matter of public interest that is of exceptional importance to the safety of Canadians. I wholeheartedly encourage the CRTC to approve these applications.

Yours truly,

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J.J. Ewatski,
Chief of Police.

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