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Mr. Scott Hutton
Secretary General (acting)
Canadian Radio-television and
Telecommunications Commission
Ottawa ON K1A 0N2

Dear Mr. Hutton:

RE: Broadcasting Notice of Consultation CRTC 2017-365; Application #2017-0586-5
by Pelmorex Weather Networks Inc. to renew the licence of The Weather
Network/MétéoMédia

Please consider this letter in support of the Weather Network remaining a part of the
basic television service in Canada.

As a rural municipality with more than 100,000 residents spread out over nearly 2,500
km, it is vitally important for members of our community to have access to 24 hour
weather information.

The safety and environmental messages that appear on the network are of great interest
to residents as well. With 130 km of shoreline on Lake St. Clair and Lake Erie, the Marine
Weather Forecasts also provide a valuable service.

The addition of the Weather Network's role in national emergency alerting system
through Alert Ready is important to all Canadians and should not be subject to additional
fees or tariffs.

Should you require further information regarding this submission, please do not hesitate
to contact me directly at randyhope@chatham-kent.ca or by telephone at 519-436-3219.

Sincerely,

Randy R. Hope, Mayor/CEO
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