

## Comments regarding need for affordable access to TWN/MM

**Date Arrived:** 2017-10-23

**Public Process Number:** 2017-365

**Intervention Number:** 750

**Application(s):** 2017-0586-5

**Case:** 242318

**Request to appear at the public hearing:** No

**Respondent:** No

### Comment

Bonjour,

Je consulte plusieurs fois par jour Météo Média pour planifier ma journée, pour lire les alertes météorologiques et pour tout autre renseignement intéressant relié à la météo. Je trouve important que ce canal demeure abordable en terme de coût en continuant d'être offert dans le forfait de base du fournisseur de service de la cablodistribution. Merci de tenir compte des gens nombreux à utiliser ce service.  
Bonne fin de journée!

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## Comments regarding need for affordable access to TWN/MM

**Date Arrived:** 2017-10-18

**Public Process Number:** 2017-365

**Intervention Number:** 29

**Application(s):** 2017-0586-5

**Case:** 241534

**Request to appear at the public hearing:** No

**Respondent:** No

### **Comment**

We rely on The Weather Network to plan our day and to receive news regarding upcoming and/or impending serious weather. The Weather Network should remain part of basic cable especially for those who cannot afford the higher "premium" packages. Cable costs are expensive enough without having to add another package in order to receive The Weather Network. Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

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## Comments regarding need for affordable access to TWN/MM

**Date Arrived:** 2017-10-27

**Public Process Number:** 2017-365

**Intervention Number:** 1907

**Application(s):** 2017-0586-5

**Case:** 243505

**Request to appear at the public hearing:** No

**Respondent:** No

### Comment

Meteo media est un service publique complet et essentiel. En plus de donner en temps réel l'évolution des systèmes, il vulgarise le langage et les manifestations météorologiques. Il doit rester à prix très abordable.

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## Comments regarding need for affordable access to TWN/MM

**Date Arrived:** 2017-10-18

**Public Process Number:** 2017-365

**Intervention Number:** 31

**Application(s):** 2017-0586-5

**Case:** 241536

**Request to appear at the public hearing:** No

**Respondent:** No

### Comment

I use The Weather Network on a daily basis to plan both in town outings and trips out of town. I am on the highway at least 2 days a week and need to know what weather to expect to stay safe in both winter and summer. I also tune in to keep track of weather emergencies. I feel strongly that TWN should remain in the basic cable package so that individuals who cannot afford more expensive cable packages can continue to have access. Although there are some weather reports that I could access on local tv channels, they aren't available 24/7 as TWN is. Please ensure that this service remains available to me on my basic cable package.

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## Comments regarding need for affordable access to TWN/MM

**Date Arrived:** 2017-11-01

**Public Process Number:** 2017-365

**Intervention Number:** 3809

**Application(s):** 2017-0586-5

**Case:** 245476

**Request to appear at the public hearing:** No

**Respondent:** No

### Comment

Bonjour Madame, Monsieur,

Je désire manifester mon appui pour le maintien de la diffusion du service de télévision de MétéoMédia et également pour qu'il demeure abordable et accessible! Les informations sur la météo sont souvent cruciales pour les canadiens car au Canada, nous vivons des variations de températures considérables. Quand quelqu'un voyage d'une province à une autre, même d'une ville à une autre, il risque de se faire surprendre et peut mettre sa sécurité en danger. Les informations sur la pureté de l'air, les allergènes, les rayons UV sont pertinentes, précises et utiles aux familles et aux voyageurs. Enfin, Météomédia explique les phénomènes atmosphériques, plusieurs observations et phénomènes célestes et autres sujets connexes. Il s'agit d'un canal essentiel à tous, qui doit donc être abordable/accessible pour toutes les classes de notre société canadienne.

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## Comments regarding need for affordable access to TWN/MM

**Date Arrived:** 2017-10-19

**Public Process Number:** 2017-365

**Intervention Number:** 185

**Application(s):** 2017-0586-5

**Case:** 241701

**Request to appear at the public hearing:** No

**Respondent:** No

### Comment

I watch The Weather Network every day - in fact, multiple times daily to help plan my day. I spend a lot of time outdoors and need to know what the weather is going to be like. I only have basic satellite television and cannot afford more than that. Please allow me and many others to view The Weather Network on our basic television package.

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## Comments regarding need for affordable access to TWN/MM

**Date Arrived:** 2017-11-03

**Public Process Number:** 2017-365

**Intervention Number:** 4569

**Application(s):** 2017-0586-5

**Case:** 246246

**Request to appear at the public hearing:** No

**Respondent:** No

### Comment

Je désire que MétéoMédia soit maintenu dans l'offre de télé de base pour que MétéoMédia demeure accessible et abordable! Ce poste est en ouverture automatique de ma télé et je ne pars jamais de la maison sans l'avoir au préalable consulté, entre autre pour mon travail qui est à l'extérieur, cela me permet de prendre la route en toute sécurité et de prévoir mes activités. J'utilise journalièrement cet outil qui m'est très utile et me facilite la vie !! Je n'ai pas internet donc il est important pour moi de pouvoir y accéder à la télé. Il est essentiel que les Canadiens qui ne peuvent se permettre des forfaits plus coûteux de télévision par câble ou par satellite devraient continuer à avoir accès à MétéoMédia sur le service de télévision de base , cela est une question de sécurité publique ( entre autres par le biais des alertes d'urgence ) l'accès à ce service ne devrait pas être discriminatoire en fonction de nos revenus ou être en fonction de l'obligation d'être branché internet !! Merci

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## Comments regarding need for affordable access to TWN/MM

**Date Arrived:** 2017-10-20

**Public Process Number:** 2017-365

**Intervention Number:** 242

**Application(s):** 2017-0586-5

**Case:** 241759

**Request to appear at the public hearing:** No

**Respondent:** No

### Comment

I use The Weather Network every day. It is one of my essential TV channels on Rogers cable.

Access to timely weather information, especially in the event of emergencies is critical to all Canadians, especially those who cannot afford expensive cable and satellite TV packages. All Canadians should continue to have access to The Weather Network at the most basic level of any TV service.

The emergency alerts are an important public safety tool and should be embraced as such by the government. The Weather Network's coverage of active weather situations helps me and my family throughout Ontario plan and stay safe.

While there are other alternatives for weather news, no TV service covers this aspect of the news completely. They have other priorities. If The Weather Network was not available in Ontario, the only other option for such complete coverage would be online - at THEIR website.

Not all Canadians have access or are comfortable navigating the Internet. The Weather Network must remain on the basic TV service so those Canadians who do not have access to, or are uncomfortable using, broadband Internet have access to complete weather news on TV.

Thank you for your consideration.

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## Comments regarding need for affordable access to TWN/MM

**Date Arrived:** 2017-11-04

**Public Process Number:** 2017-365

**Intervention Number:** 5033

**Application(s):** 2017-0586-5

**Case:** 246758

**Request to appear at the public hearing:** No

**Respondent:** No

### Comment

Vous devez nous laisser accès et à prix abordable à Météo Média, je le consulte plusieurs fois par jour et je ne peux pas m'en passer ni payer plus cher...

Merci de votre attention.

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**Date Arrived:** 2017-10-20

**Public Process Number:** 2017-365

**Intervention Number:** 258

**Application(s):** 2017-0586-5

**Case:** 241777

**Request to appear at the public hearing:** No

**Respondent:** No

### Comment

Canadians who cannot afford more expensive cable and satellite TV packages should continue to have access to The Weather Network on the basic TV service. This service provides the opportunity to be informed during active weather where there could be the potential of weather related emergencies. I can be said that there is the radio service that provides information on the weather broadcasting system. This service often does not work since signals are often weak.

The Weather Network is often the only channel worth watching. They provide an opportunity to learn about weather, the environment, see places most of us will never have the chance to see and to be informed about how weather impacts our daily living. Please continue to allow the Weather Network to provide its service on basic cable.

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## Comments regarding need for affordable access to TWN/MM

**Date Arrived:** 2017-11-04

**Public Process Number:** 2017-365

**Intervention Number:** 5731

**Application(s):** 2017-0586-5

**Case:** 247493

**Request to appear at the public hearing:** No

**Respondent:** No

### Comment

MétéoMédia doit rester accessible et abordable. Cette station offre de l'information essentielle pour préparer ma journée et celle de ma famille. C'est la station que j'écoute le plus souvent chaque jour. Les alertes météo qu'elle diffusent sont utiles pour la sécurité publique, elles doivent rester accessibles et abordables pour tous les Canadiens. MétéoMédia devrait rester sur le service de base pour que les Canadiens qui n'ont pas d'accès Internet haute vitesse ou qui ne sont pas à l'aise pour l'utiliser puissent avoir accès aux nouvelles météo à la télévision. Les Canadiens qui ne peuvent pas se permettre des forfaits plus coûteux de télévision par câble ou par satellite devraient continuer à avoir accès à MétéoMédia sur le service de télévision de base. Cette station offre aussi de l'information qui sensibilise les Canadiens aux changements climatiques et à l'importance du développement durable, elle devrait rester sur le service de base.

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**Date Arrived:** 2017-10-20

**Public Process Number:** 2017-365

**Intervention Number:** 319

**Application(s):** 2017-0586-5

**Case:** 241811

**Request to appear at the public hearing:** No

**Respondent:** No

### **Comment**

My family and I rely on the Weather Network daily to stay up to date on weather forecasts, warnings, alerts and more. The removal of the weather network from our basic TV service would be devastating. We simply cannot afford to pay more and more to Rogers and Bell for these crazy TV/Internet packages. At this time, we can only afford the basic subscriptions. Please, please allow the Weather Network to remain a part of the basic channel package. Thank you!

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## Comments regarding need for affordable access to TWN/MM

**Date Arrived:** 2017-11-05

**Public Process Number:** 2017-365

**Intervention Number:** 6155

**Application(s):** 2017-0586-5

**Case:** 247943

**Request to appear at the public hearing:** No

**Respondent:** No

### Comment

Je compte (ainsi que ma famille ) sur la présence de MétéoMédia sur le service de télévision de base, les coûts élevés pour avoir des chaînes spécialisées ne sont pas abordables pour tous et je considère que plus que jamais à cause des changements climatiques d'être bien informé est une nécessité, nous vivons dans un grand pays avec une multitude de situations météorologiques différentes et parfois les changements se font rapidement d'où l'importance des alertes pour savoir quoi faire pour se protéger. Depuis son existence MétéoMédia m'a été très utile tous les jours pour savoir comment habiller ma famille, voir les conditions de la route pour nos déplacements quotidiens, savoir comment m'habiller ou me protéger quand mon travail se fait à l'extérieur, pour planifier des sorties...En plus il nous informe sur plein de sujets connexes qui influencent à court et moyen terme la météo et notre climat. Tout ça dans un contexte informatif et chaleureux avec une équipe dynamique. C'est pas compliqué mes émissions sont programmées sur cette station à leur ouverture pour avoir toutes les informations rapidement. Alors je demande de garder MétéoMédia sur la chaîne de base accessible à tous pour sa nécessité tout simplement.

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## Comments regarding need for affordable access to TWN/MM

**Date Arrived:** 2017-10-20

**Public Process Number:** 2017-365

**Intervention Number:** 305

**Application(s):** 2017-0586-5

**Case:** 241834

**Request to appear at the public hearing:** No

**Respondent:** No

### Comment

I rely on and value The Weather Network being on the basic television service because it is a vital service that All Canadians, regardless of income level should have consistent access to such a valuable and thorough service such as the weather network. Being a Canadian on a fixed monthly income and having to walk or use public transit, First and foremost I cannot afford anything more than basic cable due to the extremely high price, Secondly when I need to plan my day the Weather Network is a vital part of that, as I stated earlier, I walk and use public transit. The multitude of services for weather alerts, warnings and statements are a must for Public Safety.

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**Date Arrived:** 2017-11-05

**Public Process Number:** 2017-365

**Intervention Number:** 6665

**Application(s):** 2017-0586-5

**Case:** 248363

**Request to appear at the public hearing:** No

**Respondent:** No

### Comment

Je crois que c'est ESSENTIEL de conserver un site tel que Météomédia ACCESSIBLE pour permettre à la population d'être bien informée lors de catastrophes (déluges, incendies de forêt etc.) C'est pour notre bien à tous, notre sécurité et notre santé. Il faut savoir ce qui va se passer pour planifier le voyage au travail, pour aller porter les enfants à l'école et comment les habiller. Il y a des alertes météo, et c'est TRÈS important d'être informés. De plus, La météo est le sujet de conversation le plus populaire entre les Québécois, vous allez affecter tout le monde, et notre culture. Il y a beaucoup de vidéos explicatifs de sciences et de phénomènes naturels sur ce site.

Je ne crois pas que je vais conserver la télévision de base si je perds Météomédia. Si vous voulez arrêter les gens de filer vers la télé sur internet, il faut arrêter de couper. Déjà que le hockey n'est plus accessible en français... Eh oui, nous, francophones, devons écouter le hockey du Canadien en anglais (CBC) si nous ne pouvons pas déboursier plus. Et vous parler de vouloir conserver la francophonie au Québec? Et notre culture? Il faut garder tout cela abordable si vous y croyez vraiment.

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## Comments regarding need for affordable access to TWN/MM

**Date Arrived:** 2017-10-20

**Public Process Number:** 2017-365

**Intervention Number:** 314

**Application(s):** 2017-0586-5

**Case:** 241844

**Request to appear at the public hearing:** No

**Respondent:** No

### Comment

I am a big user of The Weather Network (TWN) - I check frequently during the day to help plan my day. I have been watching TWN every day since it first came on the air!

I live in Southern Alberta and I watch the Lethbridge TWN channel plus the Alberta TWN (HD) channel also, since I often travel in the province. Some of my children live in Ontario, so I pay attention to TWN for the weather in the rest of the country, too.

Unfortunately, many of my adult children, in Canada, have minimum wage jobs and they cannot afford more expensive cable and satellite TV packages. They need to continue to have access to The Weather Network on the basic TV service.

By the way, I am very happy that TWN sends out emergency alerts - I feel that these are an important public safety tool.

I live in a small town in southern Alberta (Cardston) ... we have had a lot of wildfires lately plus very strong winds. There is no local alternative to conveniently access weather news and information. If TWN was not available in my community, I would feel very stressed!

We also have a lot of older residents in Cardston ... I definitely feel that TWN should remain on the basic service so Canadians who do not have access to, or are uncomfortable using, broadband Internet should have access to weather news on TV!

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**Date Arrived:** 2017-11-07

**Public Process Number:** 2017-365

**Intervention Number:** 7506

**Application(s):** 2017-0586-5

**Case:** 249224

**Request to appear at the public hearing:** No

**Respondent:** No

### Comment

Par la présente, je demande que MétéoMédia reste et demeure un programme télévisé accessible et abordable. De pare mon travail, je dois être informé en tout temps de la température.

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## Comments regarding need for affordable access to TWN/MM

**Date Arrived:** 2017-10-21

**Public Process Number:** 2017-365

**Intervention Number:** 418

**Application(s):** 2017-0586-5

**Case:** 241960

**Request to appear at the public hearing:** No

**Respondent:** No

### Comment

I turn to the Weather Network EVERY day before I get out of bed to help me plan my day - know what to wear/sunscreen etc, or if there are weather alerts I need to be aware of. The average Canadian should not have to pay extra for this type of basic TV service, the channel is important to keeping Canadians safe, e.g., emergency alerts are an important public safety tool. Many Canadians do not have access to Internet or cannot afford specialty channels, but have access to basic cable - they need this type of TV channel to have access to weather news on TV. The weather network is the most convenient and detailed location to get comprehensive weather news and alerts.

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## Comments regarding need for affordable access to TWN/MM

**Date Arrived:** 2017-10-21

**Public Process Number:** 2017-365

**Intervention Number:** 525

**Application(s):** 2017-0586-5

**Case:** 242073

**Request to appear at the public hearing:** No

**Respondent:** No

### Comment

I live in a smaller city and check the weather several times a day at the weather network. This is especially important when there is inclement weather expected or happening. I'm a widow on a fixed income, and I only subscribe to basic cable service on tv. I cannot afford to pay for specialty channels. I think that the weather network is important in my life. Please leave it as a channel on basic cable services.

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## Comments regarding need for affordable access to TWN/MM

**Date Arrived:** 2017-11-11

**Public Process Number:** 2017-365

**Intervention Number:** 9045

**Application(s):** 2017-0586-5

**Case:** 250779

**Request to appear at the public hearing:** No

**Respondent:** No

### Comment

Ma conjointe et moi comptons sur météo-média pour savoir quel temps il fait et cela quotidiennement. Cela nous permet de planifier nos activités extérieures: jardinage, voyage,exercice physique etc. Nous apprécions beaucoup être informé sur l'environnement, les phénomènes météorologiques où tout autre capsule éducative. La première chose que nous faisons le matin est de consulter météo-média, c'est pour nous un service essentiel qui doit demeurer abordable et faire partie des abonnements de base de nos télédiffuseurs.

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## Comments regarding need for affordable access to TWN/MM

**Date Arrived:** 2017-10-22

**Public Process Number:** 2017-365

**Intervention Number:** 576

**Application(s):** 2017-0586-5

**Case:** 242127

**Request to appear at the public hearing:** No

**Respondent:** No

### Comment

I watch the Weather Network daily to plan my day. Without this valuable service which provides accurate weather predictions we would be unable to undertake some activities we love to do. Those people who cannot afford this necessary service should be afforded that access to be alerted to potential national weather related occurrences.

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## Comments regarding need for affordable access to TWN/MM

**Date Arrived:** 2017-11-14

**Public Process Number:** 2017-365

**Intervention Number:** 10514

**Application(s):** 2017-0586-5

**Case:** 252255

**Request to appear at the public hearing:** No

**Respondent:** No

### Comment

Il est impératif que les Canadiens et Canadiennes puisse avoir accès à une chaîne telle que Météo Média et que ce service soit abordable.

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## Comments regarding need for affordable access to TWN/MM

**Date Arrived:** 2017-10-22

**Public Process Number:** 2017-365

**Intervention Number:** 621

**Application(s):** 2017-0586-5

**Case:** 242175

**Request to appear at the public hearing:** No

**Respondent:** No

### Comment

We live on a fixed income and absolutely cannot afford to pay more to receive this most valuable service. We watch the weather network daily to 1) plan our daily activities including road trips; 2) to know how to dress appropriately, 3) when to do lawn work, i.e. apply fertilizer etc and the list could go on and on. We really appreciate the emergency alerts which helps us stay safe. There is no other service of this kind that would compare to the Weather Network. I believe this is a crucial service that even low income people can access.

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**Date Arrived:** 2017-11-14

**Public Process Number:** 2017-365

**Intervention Number:** 10598

**Application(s):** 2017-0586-5

**Case:** 252340

**Request to appear at the public hearing:** Yes

**Respondent:** No

### Comment

J'adore MétéoMédia et pour moi, il est indispensable de l'avoir. Je regarde tous les matins sur le Site Web, également à la télévision, et c'est réellement ma chaîne préférée pour la météo. Je l'écoute toujours dans mon salon et c'est mon bruit de fond. Je participe parfois aussi aux concours avec les photos.

### Raisons pour comparaitre / Reasons for appearance

a) Détails à aborder à l'audience: La qualité et l'importance de cette chaîne, l'attachement sentimental, le média indépendant que Meteo Media est, la question du prix abordable et l'accessibilité, l'application mobile.

b) Raisons pour lesquelles les observations écrites ne suffisent pas : je crois qu'il est toujours mieux de pouvoir être en personne pour défendre son point. D'ailleurs, j'écris ce qui me vient en tête, mais je préférerais, et de loin, pouvoir me présenter.

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**Date Arrived:** 2017-10-22

**Public Process Number:** 2017-365

**Intervention Number:** 670

**Application(s):** 2017-0586-5

**Case:** 242231

**Request to appear at the public hearing:** No

**Respondent:** No

### Comment

I use The Weather Network frequently to help you plan my day. The weather is important for my commute in, especially in winter. If necessary, I can work from home and the service The Weather Network provides is crucial in determining this. I also plan other activities using their service, especially if they are outside. yard work, entertaining guests, road trips, all manner of occasions. I rely on The Weather Network's coverage of active weather situations so I know how to plan and stay safe.

I you feel Canadians who cannot afford more expensive cable and satellite TV packages should continue to have access to The Weather Network on the basic TV service. The Weather Network should remain on the basic service so Canadians who do not have access to, or are uncomfortable using, broadband Internet should have access to weather news on TV. I believe emergency alerts are an important public safety tool. These should be freely available.

If The Weather Network was not available in my community, there is no local alternative to conveniently access weather news and information.

I frequently watch The Weather Network as entertainment and enjoy the educational features. It is not uncommon for The Weather Network to be on throughout the day for several hours in my house.

**Copy sent to applicant and to any respondent if applicable:** Yes

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## Comments regarding need for affordable access to TWN/MM

**Date Arrived:** 2017-11-14

**Public Process Number:** 2017-365

**Intervention Number:** 10643

**Application(s):** 2017-0586-5

**Case:** 252385

**Request to appear at the public hearing:** No

**Respondent:** No

### Comment

Il est très important que MétéoMédia demeure dans le service de base. C'est un service qui est de base (la météo) et primordial pour tous les Québécois, et cela doit rester ainsi. Qui ne consulte pas le temps qu'il fait ou qu'il fera? Je suis un passionné de météorologie et je regarde MétéoMédia à chaque jour et ce, plusieurs fois par jour pour avoir de l'information, planifier mes journées, pour mes déplacements et organiser mes activités. La population a droit à ce que la chaîne MétéoMédia reste incluse dans le forfait de base pour demeurer accessible et abordable pour toutes les catégories de la population. Comme on le dit partout, la météo et les changements climatiques sont et restent des sujets universels pour tout le monde et partout sur le globe.

**Copy sent to applicant and to any respondent if applicable:** Yes

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## Comments regarding need for affordable access to TWN/MM

**Date Arrived:** 2017-10-22

**Public Process Number:** 2017-365

**Intervention Number:** 694

**Application(s):** 2017-0586-5

**Case:** 242259

**Request to appear at the public hearing:** No

**Respondent:** No

### Comment

I am an individual consultant and contractor who relies on the weather network to plan my work days in advance. It is an important aspect of my company in that it allows me to be more prepared and efficient. As most of my work can be outside this is vital.

I usually watch The Weather Network on a daily basis to become more informed of the weather for the day and for the week. I am in total support of the Weather Network having its CRTC license renewed and maintained on current service networks for those Canadians who cannot afford more expensive cable and satellite TV packages. I also believe that there are Canadians (contractors/construction workers, etc.) who may not be able to afford more expensive cable and satellite TV packages who I believe would benefit from having access to the Weather Network on the basic TV service.

The Weather Network is not just a weather information center but it also creates educational experiences for children and adults on weather, weather patterns and the force of nature and its continual change effects on our environment and the world. Not to mention global warming and other important information topics.

The Weather Network also supports emergency alerts for our provincial roads, potential flooding areas in British Columbia and Vancouver Island, which provides an important public safety service allowing one to plan and stay safe in our communities.

**Copy sent to applicant and to any respondent if applicable:** Yes

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## Comments regarding need for affordable access to TWN/MM

**Date Arrived:** 2017-11-14

**Public Process Number:** 2017-365

**Intervention Number:** 10666

**Application(s):** 2017-0586-5

**Case:** 252411

**Request to appear at the public hearing:** No

**Respondent:** No

### Comment

Je veux appuyer Météo Média que je consulte plusieurs fois par jours, tant à la télévision que sur internet pour connaître l'évolution de la température, la force des vents les possibilités et les temps de pluie ou de neige selon la saison. Bref, c'est un poste dont je ne saurais me passer. c'est ancré dans ma façon de vivre. C'est pourquoi je vous demande de renouveler le permis de Pelmorex pour qu'il reste accessible à un prix très abordable.

**Copy sent to applicant and to any respondent if applicable:** Yes

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## Comments regarding need for affordable access to TWN/MM

**Date Arrived:** 2017-10-22

**Public Process Number:** 2017-365

**Intervention Number:** 710

**Application(s):** 2017-0586-5

**Case:** 242275

**Request to appear at the public hearing:** No

**Respondent:** No

### Comment

As a person on a fixed income I cannot afford premium services on my cable bill and wish to express my desire to keep The Weather Network on basic cable. The channel is of great importance to me and I check it several times a day and plan my day accordingly.

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## Comments regarding need for affordable access to TWN/MM

**Date Arrived:** 2017-11-18

**Public Process Number:** 2017-365

**Intervention Number:** 11781

**Application(s):** 2017-0586-5

**Case:** 253577

**Request to appear at the public hearing:** No

**Respondent:** No

### Comment

Bonjour, Pour toutes les raisons évoquées ci-dessous (et plus encore), je souhaite fortement que MÉTÉOMÉDIA TV demeure accessible à tous et à prix abordable :

- C'est mon PREMIER PLANIFICATEUR de la journée (à l'époque de ma mère, c'était la radio, aujourd'hui c'est la télévision)

- Je consulte Météomédia PLUSIEURS FOIS PAR JOUR pour suivre l'ÉVOLUTION des situations météorologiques et certainement pour les ALERTES météo et j'avise les miens.

- À TITRE PRÉVENTIF, connaître la situation météo me permet à tout moment de RÉAGIR RAPIDEMENT et d'ÉVITER LES SITUATIONS POTENTIELLEMENT CATASTROPHIQUES.

- Météomédia est un INCONTOURNABLE pour me SENSIBILISER ainsi que toute la population aux CHANGEMENTS CLIMATIQUES.

- Météomédia joue un RÔLE ÉDUCATIF MAJEUR en vulgarisant les PHÉNOMÈNES LIÉS À LA MÉTÉO.

- Météomédia est un OUTIL ESSENTIEL pour tous ceux dont le métier dépend du facteur météo (cultivateurs, ouvriers de la construction, employés de télécommunications qui travaillent dehors, etc), mais aussi pour tous ceux qui n'ont pas Internet ou ne reçoivent pas le signal parce que trop éloignés ou en montagne.

MÉTÉOMÉDIA TV EST AUSSI NÉCESSAIRE QUE DE PORTER DES BOTTES EN HIVER! Bonne journée !

**Copy sent to applicant and to any respondent if applicable:** Yes

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## Comments regarding need for affordable access to TWN/MM

**Date Arrived:** 2017-10-23

**Public Process Number:** 2017-365

**Intervention Number:** 809

**Application(s):** 2017-0586-5

**Case:** 242357

**Request to appear at the public hearing:** No

**Respondent:** No

### Comment

I use The Weather Network multiple times, daily, to plan my day. I'm an avid weather-follower to ensure I'm always informed. I think Canadians who cannot afford more expensive cable and satellite TV packages should absolutely continue to have access to The Weather Network on the basic TV service, as I feel it IS a basic and standard part of cable TV that should be provided to all. Emergency alerts are such an important public safety tool; it would be difficult to imagine being put in a position where those alerts are withheld from certain members of the community. I rely on The Weather Network to plan how to stay safe, by changing plans accordingly, and keeping an eye on all alerts I see/hear. If The Weather Network was unavailable in my community I don't think I could find an equally reliable source of weather news and information - TWN is truly my go-to. I strongly feel The Weather Network should remain on the basic service so all Canadians can have access to weather news on TV.

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## Comments regarding need for affordable access to TWN/MM

**Date Arrived:** 2017-11-19

**Public Process Number:** 2017-365

**Intervention Number:** 12158

**Application(s):** 2017-0586-5

**Case:** 253975

**Request to appear at the public hearing:** No

**Respondent:** No

### Comment

Bonjour,

Je compte sur la présence de MétéoMédia sur le service de télévision de base et je demande que MétéoMédia demeure accessible et abordable.

En effet, dès que j'allume la télévision le matin, je choisis MétéoMédia pour connaître la météo pour mieux planifier ma journée: je travaille au CLSC, je fais des visites à domicile chez des personnes âgées, je participe dans des rencontres aux hôpitaux et d'autres institutions du réseau de la santé et des services sociaux du Québec. Je compte sur la couverture des situations météorologiques actives à MétéoMédia pour savoir comment planifier mes activités et rester en sécurité. Je crois que les alertes d'urgence sont un outil important de sécurité publique.

Pour toutes les raisons mentionnées, je demande le renouvellement de licence télé pour MétéoMédia.

Merci de votre collaboration.

**Copy sent to applicant and to any respondent if applicable:** Yes

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## Comments regarding need for affordable access to TWN/MM

**Date Arrived:** 2017-10-23

**Public Process Number:** 2017-365

**Intervention Number:** 833

**Application(s):** 2017-0586-5

**Case:** 242383

**Request to appear at the public hearing:** No

**Respondent:** No

### Comment

Hello,

I am writing this letter in support of the license renewal of the weather network on my basic cable station Channel 7 The Weather Network. I can only afford basic cable at this time as I am out of work and have been for quite some time now. I watch the Weather Network channel all the time on a daily basis through out the year to see how hot and humid it is going to be through the spring and summer and in the fall and winter to see how cold and brisk or how slippery its going to be that day in winter. The weather network is an important channel for me and so many others who are possibly in the same situation as I am that cannot afford to lose this important channel because of not being able to afford another way of getting weather on a daily basis. Please renew the license for the weather network. People like me will be so thankful you did.

Sincerely,

Vicky Murdoch

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## Comments regarding need for affordable access to TWN/MM

**Date Arrived:** 2017-11-22

**Public Process Number:** 2017-365

**Intervention Number:** 12936

**Application(s):** 2017-0586-5

**Case:** 254739

**Request to appear at the public hearing:** No

**Respondent:** No

### Comment

Je désire appuyer la chaîne Météomédia/Weather Network car l'information qu'elle diffuse est pertinente et claire. De plus, elle vient jouer un rôle de pédagogue en traitant divers sujets de phénomènes météo. Je désire que Météomédia/ Weather Network demeure dans le forfait de base des services de câblodistribution canadiens et qu'ainsi, demeure abordable et accessible.

Dominique Majeau,

Terrebonne, Québec

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## Comments regarding need for affordable access to TWN/MM

**Date Arrived:** 2017-10-23

**Public Process Number:** 2017-365

**Intervention Number:** 912

**Application(s):** 2017-0586-5

**Case:** 242440

**Request to appear at the public hearing:** No

**Respondent:** No

### Comment

As retired couple as Many people cannot afford, do not have access to, or are not comfortable using broadband Internet...older Canadians on a fixed income cannot afford to pay more to access our services...these are the types of things that need to be brought to the attention of the CRTC!

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## Comments regarding need for affordable access to TWN/MM

**Date Arrived:** 2017-11-26

**Public Process Number:** 2017-365

**Intervention Number:** 13773

**Application(s):** 2017-0586-5

**Case:** 255662

**Request to appear at the public hearing:** No

**Respondent:** No

### Comment

DEPUIS TOUJOURS, QUAND J'ALLUME LA TV, JE TOMBE SUR MÉTÉOMÉDIA, POSTE QUE J'AI CHOISI PAR DÉFAUT TANT POUR SON ASPECT INFORMATIF QUE PRATIQUE. AUSSI BIEN EN FIN DE SOIRÉE QUE LE MATIN, JE VEUX CONNAÎTRE LE TEMPS QU'IL FERA DEMAIN DE MÊME QU'UN APERÇU POUR LE RESTE DE LA SEMAINE AFIN DE PRÉVOIR MES ACTIVITÉS ET LES VÊTEMENTS APPROPRIÉS.

DE PLUS, JE TROUVE INTÉRESSANTS ET PERTINENTS LES REPORTAGES CONCERNANT L'ENVIRONNEMENT, L'ÉTAT DE NOTRE PLANÈTE, LES CATASTROPHES NATURELLES QUI L'AFFLIGENT ET TOUTES LES INFORMATIONS VARIÉES D'INTÉRÊT TANT GÉNÉRAL QUE SPÉCIFIQUE.

JE VEUX DONC SUPPORTER MÉTÉOMÉDIA ET QU'IL DEMEURE ABORDABLE.

**Copy sent to applicant and to any respondent if applicable:** Yes

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## Comments regarding need for affordable access to TWN/MM

**Date Arrived:** 2017-10-24

**Public Process Number:** 2017-365

**Intervention Number:** 1013

**Application(s):** 2017-0586-5

**Case:** 242565

**Request to appear at the public hearing:** No

**Respondent:** No

### Comment

I feel Canadians who cannot afford more expensive cable and satellite TV packages should continue to have access to The Weather Network on the basic TV service every one should have it in case of weather emergency's

**Copy sent to applicant and to any respondent if applicable:** Yes

### Client Information

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## Comments regarding need for affordable access to TWN/MM

**Date Arrived:** 2017-11-26

**Public Process Number:** 2017-365

**Intervention Number:** 13827

**Application(s):** 2017-0586-5

**Case:** 255716

**Request to appear at the public hearing:** No

**Respondent:** No

### Comment

Allo,

J'appuie MétéoMédia car il m'aide à planifier ma journée (habillage, makeup, mauvaises conditions routières, etc.). Je pense que MétéoMédia doit demeurer accessible et abordable.

Cordialement.

**Copy sent to applicant and to any respondent if applicable:** Yes

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## Comments regarding need for affordable access to TWN/MM

**Date Arrived:** 2017-10-24

**Public Process Number:** 2017-365

**Intervention Number:** 1038

**Application(s):** 2017-0586-5

**Case:** 242590

**Request to appear at the public hearing:** No

**Respondent:** No

### Comment

The weather network is absolutely essential to my daily life and that of everyone. I check the information they provide several times a day with everything I do from getting ready for work to walking the dog. I will be retiring soon and cannot afford to add another expense to my budget and so having to pay extra for this service would be impossible.

The weather network is essential for health and safety from knowing what to wear to being prepared for stormy weather.

**Copy sent to applicant and to any respondent if applicable:** Yes

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## Comments regarding need for affordable access to TWN/MM

**Date Arrived:** 2017-11-27

**Public Process Number:** 2017-365

**Intervention Number:** 13880

**Application(s):** 2017-0586-5

**Case:** 255769

**Request to appear at the public hearing:** No

**Respondent:** No

### Comment

Bonjour ! La chaine météo média mérite de rester disponible et abordable avec les cablos distributeurs ! La météo étant le sujet de prédilection des Québécois, cette chaine est celle que tout le monde consulte avant de quitter la maison ! Les chroniques sont toujours super intéressantes et instructives. SVP laissez nous cette chaine dans notre forfait de base sinon on risque de se retrouver en gougoune dans la neige ! :;) merci !

**Copy sent to applicant and to any respondent if applicable:** Yes

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## Comments regarding need for affordable access to TWN/MM

**Date Arrived:** 2017-10-24

**Public Process Number:** 2017-365

**Intervention Number:** 1065

**Application(s):** 2017-0586-5

**Case:** 242619

**Request to appear at the public hearing:** No

**Respondent:** No

### Comment

I wish to support continuation of The Weather Network's license and to support it being provided as part of the basic cable services. It is a helpful source of reliable information on current and upcoming weather conditions; the alerts for storms, severe temperatures, etc., are particularly useful as these events require prior planning and, often, different clothing choices if one must go out. As part of the basic cable service, The Weather Network provides information to those who cannot afford or are not technologically capable of dealing with on-line sources. Because the forecast is spoken as well as provided in written form, those with visual or cognitive impairments can also access the information with relative ease.

I look forward to watching The Weather Network for many years to come.

**Copy sent to applicant and to any respondent if applicable:** Yes

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## Comments regarding need for affordable access to TWN/MM

**Date Arrived:** 2017-11-28

**Public Process Number:** 2017-365

**Intervention Number:** 14079

**Application(s):** 2017-0586-5

**Case:** 255991

**Request to appear at the public hearing:** No

**Respondent:** No

### Comment

Je consulte minimum 2 fois/jour MeteoMedia sur mon téléviseur pour mieux planifier nos déplacements, ce qui nous permet de prévoir nos déplacements en toute sécurité. Tout ce que Meteomedia nous offre est très important autant les alertes que les prévisions locales et internationales. Je demande que ce site demeure accessible et sans frais supplémentaire. Meteomedia aborde des sujets très instructifs et verbalise très bien leurs matières. ». Nous demeurons en campagne dans les Hautes Laurentides. Aucune réception par le cellulaire et encore moins avec Internet, donc notre seul moyen fiable et rapide est Meteomedia par la télévision. Etant a la retraite, je n'ai pas les moyens de payer des frais supplémentaires afin de recevoir des informations utiles, nécessaires à la sécurité pour moi et pour ma famille.

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## Comments regarding need for affordable access to TWN/MM

**Date Arrived:** 2017-10-24

**Public Process Number:** 2017-365

**Intervention Number:** 1128

**Application(s):** 2017-0586-5

**Case:** 242686

**Request to appear at the public hearing:** No

**Respondent:** No

### Comment

I am writing in support of The Weather Network. I use The Weather Network frequently to help plan my day. It is the first TV station I watch when I wake up and the last TV station I watch before I go to sleep. I believe it is important that Canadians who cannot afford more expensive cable and satellite TV packages should continue to have access to The Weather Network on the basic TV service as emergency alerts are an important public safety tool. There a local alternative to conveniently access weather news and information available in my community. And I firmly believe The Weather Network remain on the basic service so Canadians who do not have access to, or are uncomfortable using, broadband Internet should have access to weather news on TV.

Thank you for your time in reviewing my submission.

**Copy sent to applicant and to any respondent if applicable:** Yes

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## Comments regarding need for affordable access to TWN/MM

**Date Arrived:** 2017-10-24

**Public Process Number:** 2017-365

**Intervention Number:** 1148

**Application(s):** 2017-0586-5

**Case:** 242708

**Request to appear at the public hearing:** No

**Respondent:** No

### **Comment**

Canadians who cannot afford more expensive cable and satellite TV packages should continue to have access to The Weather Network on the basic TV service. It has become so reliable that it belongs on the basic TV service channel. The Weather Network helps plan our day, helps us decide how to dress and whether to leave an area early or to stay put because of poor weather and road conditions. In addition, emergency alerts are an important public safety tool. We use it to stay updated on such alerts. As outlined above, we rely on the Weather Network's coverage of active weather situations so we know how to plan and stay safe.

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## Comments regarding need for affordable access to TWN/MM

**Date Arrived:** 2017-10-24

**Public Process Number:** 2017-365

**Intervention Number:** 1180

**Application(s):** 2017-0586-5

**Case:** 242745

**Request to appear at the public hearing:** No

**Respondent:** No

### Comment

I am writing to support the application of Pelmorex (the WeatherNetwork). I use the WeatherNetwork daily to plan my day for my family (how to dress, what outdoor activities we can do, etc.) Furthermore, emergency alerts are an important public safety tool as are active and storm weather alerts, such as winter storm warnings and tornado warnings, etc. In addition, Amber alerts are an extremely important public service and safety tool. I believe that Canadians, who cannot afford more expensive cable and satellite TV packages should continue to have free access to the Weather Network on the basic TV service package. Finally, the Weather Network should remain on basic cable service so that Canadians who do not have access to, or are not comfortable using, broadband Internet service can still have access to weather news and reports on TV. For all of these reasons, I fully support maintaining the WeatherNetwork on basic cable TV. Thank you.

**Copy sent to applicant and to any respondent if applicable:** Yes

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## Comments regarding need for affordable access to TWN/MM

**Date Arrived:** 2017-10-25

**Public Process Number:** 2017-365

**Intervention Number:** 1240

**Application(s):** 2017-0586-5

**Case:** 242807

**Request to appear at the public hearing:** No

**Respondent:** No

### Comment

In support of The Weather Network: Use it daily to plan my work and physical therapy that I have to do because I work out doors as much as I can with my business and to do exercises as a result of football injuries.

As a result of those injuries/surgerys, I have had to retire and cannot afford any other source of weatherr forecasting because our local radio station does not do a reliable forecast nor is there any other source of weather info here.

**Copy sent to applicant and to any respondent if applicable:** Yes

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## Comments regarding need for affordable access to TWN/MM

**Date Arrived:** 2017-10-25

**Public Process Number:** 2017-365

**Intervention Number:** 1275

**Application(s):** 2017-0586-5

**Case:** 242843

**Request to appear at the public hearing:** No

**Respondent:** No

### **Comment**

Please allow the weather network to continue to provide information on basic services. I use the weather channel daily and appreciate the information given. Also I enjoy the various video presentations like the storm hunters. As a retiree I cannot afford special tv packages so need this service to continue on the basic service. It is an excellent way to provide amber or other special alerts like fires or floods to the general public.

**Copy sent to applicant and to any respondent if applicable:** Yes

### **Client Information**

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## Comments regarding need for affordable access to TWN/MM

**Date Arrived:** 2017-10-25

**Public Process Number:** 2017-365

**Intervention Number:** 1337

**Application(s):** 2017-0586-5

**Case:** 242905

**Request to appear at the public hearing:** No

**Respondent:** No

### Comment

I use The Weather Network to plan the next day's activities all the time. It is the last thing I look at before going to bed and the first thing I see in the morning. My husband decides whether he is going to be able to golf the following day. I decide if it is a gardening day or whether to invite my mom over to sit outside and chat or to see if it is going to be a hot and muggy day - in which case I need to prep the pool because all the kids will be over after work.

My husband and I are on a fixed income and cannot afford expensive cable bills and I believe that The Weather Network needs to remain as part of the basic TV service.

I love the fact that I can count on the Weather Network to display warnings, watches and emergency alerts. These are very important to the general public.

All in all, I think that The Weather Network needs to remain part of the basic cable package in order to be able to service the widest audience.

Thank you,

Deborah

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## Comments regarding need for affordable access to TWN/MM

**Date Arrived:** 2017-10-26

**Public Process Number:** 2017-365

**Intervention Number:** 1456

**Application(s):** 2017-0586-5

**Case:** 243028

**Request to appear at the public hearing:** No

**Respondent:** No

### Comment

The first thing I do when I wake up in the morning is put on my Rogers Cable box, which automatically tunes to channel 23 (The Weather Network). At this time, I check the weather to see how my kids should dress to go to school, and to come home from school. I also check it to plan activities ahead, based on the weather. For example, this morning, I paid close attention to the weekend weather, because we might go to Canada's Wonderland and also the weather for Halloween...hoping it didn't say rain!

It is important for Canadians who cannot afford more expensive cable and satellite TV packages to also have access to The Weather Network on the basic TV service because they would not have all of the information necessary to keep their families safe and warm.

Emergency alerts are very important public safety tools because everyone should know when emergencies are occurring around them, whether they can afford paid tv or not.

If The Weather Network was not available in my community, I would have to use cp24, but that is not as informative or useful to me.

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## Comments regarding need for affordable access to TWN/MM

**Date Arrived:** 2017-10-27

**Public Process Number:** 2017-365

**Intervention Number:** 1703

**Application(s):** 2017-0586-5

**Case:** 243274

**Request to appear at the public hearing:** No

**Respondent:** No

### **Comment**

I watch the weather network each day to plan what to wear and when to go out. It is informative . Safety alerts are reminders of the importance of being prepared for an emergency. The local radio and television stations do not have meteorologists on staff and seldom agree with the weather network. This should be a basic service. As someone on a fixed income, I know that I cannot afford to pay the cable company any more than I do now.

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**Date Arrived:** 2017-10-27

**Public Process Number:** 2017-365

**Intervention Number:** 1735

**Application(s):** 2017-0586-5

**Case:** 243306

**Request to appear at the public hearing:** No

**Respondent:** No

### Comment

The Weather Network helps me plan my day - lets me know what to wear, do I need sunscreen, do I need an umbrella, etc. I go to the weather network to plan my vacations. The emergency alerts are an important public safety tool. I rely on the Weather Network's coverage of active weather situations so I can plan and stay safe. I feel that Canadians should continue to have access to the Weather Network on basic TV service, this is especially important to those who cannot afford more expensive cable and TV packages. The Weather Network should remain on basic TV for those people who are not comfortable using broadband internet or who don't have access to it.

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## Comments regarding need for affordable access to TWN/MM

**Date Arrived:** 2017-10-27

**Public Process Number:** 2017-365

**Intervention Number:** 1804

**Application(s):** 2017-0586-5

**Case:** 243376

**Request to appear at the public hearing:** No

**Respondent:** No

### Comment

I wish to support this license. I use TWN daily to know how to dress and plan my day. Canadians who cannot afford more expensive cable and satellite TV packages should be able to access TWN on the basic tv service. I also believe emergency alerts are an important public safety tool for all Canadians. I live in Goderich on Lake Huron and our weather can change very quickly. We need TWN coverage of active weather situations to know how to plan and be safe. During our tornado TWN was a big part of keeping me safe and unharmed.

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**Date Arrived:** 2017-10-27

**Public Process Number:** 2017-365

**Intervention Number:** 1837

**Application(s):** 2017-0586-5

**Case:** 243409

**Request to appear at the public hearing:** No

**Respondent:** No

### Comment

I support the Weather Network and that it should be available for all and feel Canadians who cannot afford more expensive cable and satellite TV packages and should continue to have access to The Weather Network on the basic TV service.

The weather alerts and the educational programs are top notch and all people can learn something new every day. I trust them to be on top of the weather and all the potentially dangerous weather systems so I can take precautions with myself, my cat and my house.

We do have several radio stations that will also pass on weather warnings but who will make them if The Weather Channel isn't there? Most people are watching tv in the evenings and not the radio.

I feel the people who are hired and work for this channel don't just think of it is a job, they feel a passion about the weather and educating the country about how and why things happen.

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## Comments regarding need for affordable access to TWN/MM

**Date Arrived:** 2017-10-27

**Public Process Number:** 2017-365

**Intervention Number:** 1849

**Application(s):** 2017-0586-5

**Case:** 243421

**Request to appear at the public hearing:** No

**Respondent:** No

### Comment

I support the license renewal for The Weather Network because:

- 1) I use The Weather Network frequently to help me in planning my day and my week. For example, we used the Weather Network's reports to help us in deciding when to paint our porch this Summer.
- 2) We also use The Weather Network's forecasts for safety reasons. For example, my son plays soccer and I check The Weather Network when there is a game, in order to be aware of possible thunder storms. In Winter, I watch The Weather Network in order to know how to dress properly.
- 3) All Canadians should have affordable access to The Weather Network. It is a necessity for Canadians. I'm very disappointed that we need even basic cable to access The Weather Network. Those who cannot afford cable are put at a higher risk of injury because they will not have been warned about the weather in their area.
- 4) The emergency alerts we get on The Weather Network are extremely important for everyone's safety and should not be accessible only to those who can afford a more expensive cable package. Again, I feel that even having to have cable at all for The Weather Network is unfair.
- 4) I believe that The Weather Network should be considered a basic right for all Canadians to be able to access in the easiest and most affordable way.

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**Public Process Number:** 2017-365

**Intervention Number:** 1869

**Application(s):** 2017-0586-5

**Case:** 243441

**Request to appear at the public hearing:** No

**Respondent:** No

### Comment

The weather network is imperative for information, public safety and overall weather details. It should remain as part of the basic cable package because many of us cannot afford or refuse to pay more for the elaborate and expensive cable options. This weather network is always available and I personally have come to rely on it for my weather information and plan my outdoor activities accordingly. Thank you for considering public interests above profit.

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**Date Arrived:** 2017-10-27

**Public Process Number:** 2017-365

**Intervention Number:** 1886

**Application(s):** 2017-0586-5

**Case:** 243464

**Request to appear at the public hearing:** No

**Respondent:** No

### Comment

The Weather Network provides a valuable service in allowing Canadians to properly plan for their day. From presenting information only they can offer, such as weather analysis and predictions, to amalgamating community information such as school closures, the Weather Network ensure that Canadians have the information they need in order to be productive. I consult the Weather Network almost daily when planning my day or when planning for trips.

The Weather Network provides basic yet important information every Canadian should have access to. Cable and satellite prices are skyrocketing and many Canadians simply cannot afford to fit them into their budgets. Broadband internet is also heading in the same direction. It would be unfair if only those who can afford these extra expenses can access the important information the Weather Network provides, particularly with regards to emergency alerts and information on active weather situations. These are matters of public safety which are not discussed in nearly as much detail anywhere else. The Weather Network will cover these events more often and with more expertise than other outlets.

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## Comments regarding need for affordable access to TWN/MM

**Date Arrived:** 2017-10-28

**Public Process Number:** 2017-365

**Intervention Number:** 1972

**Application(s):** 2017-0586-5

**Case:** 243571

**Request to appear at the public hearing:** No

**Respondent:** No

### Comment

To whom it may concern: RE: Application number 2017-0586-5; and Consultation number: 2017-365

My family and I rely on and value The Weather Network being on the basic television service.

The Weather Network helps us plan our day, let us know what to wear and how to dress our family, whether to apply sunscreen, or whether to leave early because of poor road conditions. As I frequently travel for work, I also rely on it to plan my work schedule because I am often on the road. Additionally, we turn to The Weather Network during active weather situations so you can plan and stay safe.

We tune to The Weather Network religiously every day, it is the first channel we tune into in the morning and the last one every night and at various times in-between. We could not function without our access to this most important programming, this is not a nice to have, or a want, it is a need to have, a must have an essential part of our day, every day.

I do strongly feel Canadians who cannot afford more expensive cable and satellite TV packages should continue to have access to The Weather Network on the basic TV service. As above, this is an essential and necessary part of every day life. Specifically as emergency alerts are an important public safety tool.

The Weather Network should remain on the basic service so Canadians who do not have access to, or are uncomfortable using, broadband Internet can have access to weather news on TV.

The weather is the one true commonality and shared identity we have in the very diverse Canadian landscape. The weather is a part of Canadian life and culture, it is the most talked about subject across this great Nation and taking this away would make all of us a little less Canadian. Is this what the CRTC wants to accomplish? Please do not take away a big part of our Canadian identity and culture.

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## Comments regarding need for affordable access to TWN/MM

**Date Arrived:** 2017-10-28

**Public Process Number:** 2017-365

**Intervention Number:** 2000

**Application(s):** 2017-0586-5

**Case:** 243599

**Request to appear at the public hearing:** No

**Respondent:** No

### **Comment**

I support keeping the Weather Network as a basic channel.

The weather and other information provided is vital to the day to day activities of families.

It would be very unfortunate to lose TWN from basic channels as many families cannot afford yet a further charge to get basic information.

Thank you!

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**Date Arrived:** 2017-10-28

**Public Process Number:** 2017-365

**Intervention Number:** 2017

**Application(s):** 2017-0586-5

**Case:** 243619

**Request to appear at the public hearing:** No

**Respondent:** No

### **Comment**

The Weather network is an important channel to all Canadians as it is our main source of information for weather and alerts for all who cannot afford these expensive TV packages . It should be a free service to all Canadians in such a vast country.

Thank You

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## Comments regarding need for affordable access to TWN/MM

**Date Arrived:** 2017-10-28

**Public Process Number:** 2017-365

**Intervention Number:** 2030

**Application(s):** 2017-0586-5

**Case:** 243633

**Request to appear at the public hearing:** No

**Respondent:** No

### Comment

The weather network is very important to us. Here are some of the reasons.

Traffic and road conditions, I want to know what the roads are like before leaving the house

Weather, what do I wear and what is the extended weather for the following few days, I like to plan my week.

We watch the weather channel daily and we cannot afford to pay for it.

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**Date Arrived:** 2017-10-28

**Public Process Number:** 2017-365

**Intervention Number:** 2062

**Application(s):** 2017-0586-5

**Case:** 243666

**Request to appear at the public hearing:** No

**Respondent:** No

### Comment

I check the weather network every morning and sometimes in the afternoon, This really helps to plan my day. I cannot afford to pay for this wonderful service being on a fixed income. Would miss this station if taken away,

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## Comments regarding need for affordable access to TWN/MM

**Date Arrived:** 2017-10-28

**Public Process Number:** 2017-365

**Intervention Number:** 2075

**Application(s):** 2017-0586-5

**Case:** 243681

**Request to appear at the public hearing:** No

**Respondent:** No

### Comment

I watch "the weather network" morning, night daily and often in between to learn about the weather itself, to keep up with weather elsewhere as I have family in other parts of Canada and the world. Active weather in those areas alerts me to make contact to be sure of their welfare. I also use the weather network to be aware of the news in the rest of the world and am always pleased that there is often more coverage/photos of situations than on the news stations. i believe these coverages probably allow for more disaster support from the public especially when you see in front of your face what is happening. i don't have computer use all the time nor can i afford my phone for much more than a phone and certainly cannot afford all the specialty channels that everything is getting sluffed off to. I pay way more for cable than when I started, with all new programming etc. at the time, and now live with so much repeat programming, advertising programming, things not needed or of interest so i appeal to you to leave this network with us. i work retail, with the public, and its amazing to realize how many people, like myself, rely on the weather network daily....even to plan your activity, vacations, safe travel times and routes, shopping times, dress wear and how to prepare yourself for the day and or week ahead. Thank you, if you are truly giving honest consideration to EVERYONE.

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**Date Arrived:** 2017-10-28

**Public Process Number:** 2017-365

**Intervention Number:** 2214

**Application(s):** 2017-0586-5

**Case:** 243826

**Request to appear at the public hearing:** No

**Respondent:** No

### Comment

I use The Weather Network frequently to help plan outdoor activities, and also believe emergency alerts are an important public safety tool. Out of all the weather forecasts (local radio or web-based), I find TWN is the most accurate both short and long term.

I also feel Canadians who cannot afford more expensive cable and satellite TV packages should continue to have access to The Weather Network on their basic TV service.

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**Date Arrived:** 2017-10-28

**Public Process Number:** 2017-365

**Intervention Number:** 2378

**Application(s):** 2017-0586-5

**Case:** 244003

**Request to appear at the public hearing:** No

**Respondent:** No

### Comment

Please keep the weather network on basic cable. I cannot afford premium cable packages. I watch the weather network everyday in order to plan what I should wear, when to do outdoor activities and what day of the week is good for travel. I also appreciate the severe weather alerts, such as snowstorms or tornados. These alerts save lives. Where else would I see this information? Basic cable does not have any all day news channels at all like CBC news network. The only news I see is the local news at noon, 6 and 11 p.m.

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## Comments regarding need for affordable access to TWN/MM

**Date Arrived:** 2017-10-28

**Public Process Number:** 2017-365

**Intervention Number:** 2413

**Application(s):** 2017-0586-5

**Case:** 244039

**Request to appear at the public hearing:** No

**Respondent:** No

### Comment

The weather network (Application number 2017-0586-5; and The Consultation number: 2017-365) helpfully provided some questions to consider when deciding whether or not to support the renewal of their license. My answers to those, and to the question of support, are in quotations below:

Do you use The Weather Network frequently to help you plan your day? How?

"Yes every day. I look to the information they provide to know how to dress for the temperature and weather conditions. I don't want to lug a coat around all day if I don't have to. When I watch the weather network I get the info I need to know if I have to lug that coat or not."

Is The Weather Network important for running your business? How?

"I don't run a business but can see how with many businesses that info would be helpful. For example, how would we know when to keep the dome open at the Rogers Centre without the weather network? You have to know that in advance since it takes a while to open or close the dome. Would suck to be sitting there in freezing rain because the dome operator didn't check the weather network."

Do you feel Canadians who cannot afford more expensive cable and satellite TV packages should continue to have access to The Weather Network on the basic TV service?

"Yes, knowing if you need to dress warm or not on any given day can mean someone is safe or not. Icy conditions, road closures, public safety alerts- these are things that should be a basic right for anyone and everyone."

Do you believe emergency alerts are an important public safety tool?

"Absolutely. Seriously, does anyone not believe that? Are there really people that stupid out there? Please keep them away from me."

Do you rely on The Weather Network's coverage of active weather situations so you know how to plan and stay safe?

"Again, absolutely. Same answer as above."

If The Weather Network was not available in your community is there a local alternative to conveniently access weather news and information?

"Not that I know of, which means even if it exists it's not convenient."

## Comments regarding need for affordable access to TWN/MM

Should The Weather Network remain on the basic service so Canadians who do not have access to, or are uncomfortable using, broadband Internet should have access to weather news?

"Obviously. I thought we were a culture of diversity and inclusivity...taking away services from the most vulnerable of our population doesn't sound very much like support for diversity and inclusivity. Shame on you for even considering it."

Have I made myself clear? Please renew the Weather Networks license. It's the right thing to do.  
Thank you.

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**Date Arrived:** 2017-10-29

**Public Process Number:** 2017-365

**Intervention Number:** 2422

**Application(s):** 2017-0586-5

**Case:** 244048

**Request to appear at the public hearing:** No

**Respondent:** No

### Comment

The Weather Channel is an important part of my daily routine [with a cup of coffee]. It alerts me to possible adverse weather conditions, and helps chose the appropriate wardrobe [parka or sleeveless shirt], and will I need to allow extra time for driving? but more that that it is an important part of the lives of many of the people with whom I am in contact. I am an Anglican priest who visits a large number of elderly folk on fixed income, in a small town setting. For them, the weather channel is a guide as to whether to go out on a particular day - will it be slippery[greater chance of falling]? or turn suddenly cold [a danger to breathing or catching a chill]or is there a storm coming with potential for flooding, high winds or power outages [will it be necessary to have extra meals and/or batteries for flashlights on hand]? All of these are important considerations for those living on their own who have limited resources and mobility. There is no other local reliable source of weather alerts, and just plain information. Many of these folk cannot afford the extra expense of specialty channels, and rely on the weather network.

Canadians are obsessed with the weather, and as broad an access to information as possible is needed. The weather channel is almost "an essential service"

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## Comments regarding need for affordable access to TWN/MM

**Date Arrived:** 2017-10-29

**Public Process Number:** 2017-365

**Intervention Number:** 2483

**Application(s):** 2017-0586-5

**Case:** 244113

**Request to appear at the public hearing:** No

**Respondent:** No

### Comment

The Weather Network is an invaluable service for many Canadians, who greatly value its coverage. It is also unique in that it includes a team of weather observers from all walks of life, across the country, who report on current conditions and weather-related situations in their own areas. I am one of these observers, and have been for some years. We supply immediate updates on developing events, often before they're picked up by the main networks, because we're "boots on the ground", so to speak. This grassroots input is continuous. It truly makes TWN the "people's network".

The network's official weather forecasts - televised and also shared online - are drawn from a variety of sources and prediction models, so the main purpose of any weather service is kept to the fore and is always fulfilled. Given the uncertainty of any forecast model, since no one can control the direction in which major systems might move or veer off the expected path, The Weather Network provides accurate and reliable information. I live in a fishing community in Nova Scotia and this is especially crucial for all of us here. We rely on TWN for its specificity when it comes to regional forecasts. Any time there's an Environment Canada alert, TWN immediately lets us know. My desktop weather icon flashes red. The first thing I do every morning is check its status. This is usually my first notification of an impending storm. Not all weather channels provide this kind of immediacy or highlight the EC links.

TWN's coverage is timely and detailed. I can access reports particular to many locations, which are constantly updated. Photos from viewers are uploaded and shared on the main website, as well as on the TV broadcast itself, which gives an added sense of connectedness among audiences and weather-watchers across Canada. Weather Network videos span a range of topics and are both interesting and informative. A comments section allows for public discussion, which can sometimes get rather heated but is another means by which we feel included and valued. We are engaged in the network. This, too, counts for a great deal. We're a large country, but we become more closely linked when we share and interact with TWN's other viewers and with its weather team.

I strongly support the retention of The Weather Network as a television service for Canadians, and advocate the renewal of its licence. We cannot afford to lose this significant broadcast. Thank you! ~  
Brenda J. Tate

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## Comments regarding need for affordable access to TWN/MM

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## Comments regarding need for affordable access to TWN/MM

**Date Arrived:** 2017-10-29

**Public Process Number:** 2017-365

**Intervention Number:** 2511

**Application(s):** 2017-0586-5

**Case:** 244145

**Request to appear at the public hearing:** No

**Respondent:** No

### Comment

I feel that TWN provides an invaluable service to all communities across Canada. I watch the TWN daily to plan my daily and weekly activities, it also keeps me up to date with weather events around the globe. TWN is very informative with knowledgeable meteorologists. TWN should be available to the public on the basic TV service packages as some of the media is not readily available to those who cannot afford other sources. The emergency service reports that TWN provides are very important to the community, in the essence that I have family that live across Canada which allows me to know what is happening in their areas.

All in all, I know that myself and my family members use TWN and its app on a daily basis, to stay informed and stay safe during severe weather conditions.

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**Date Arrived:** 2017-10-29

**Public Process Number:** 2017-365

**Intervention Number:** 2559

**Application(s):** 2017-0586-5

**Case:** 244199

**Request to appear at the public hearing:** No

**Respondent:** No

### Comment

We depend on the weather network every day . Even for the regular household knowing what the day has ahead for us or the week is so important. Even more so now with global warming as the weather changes so often and is also often more severe than we are used to. Please keep it on the regular cable package as we cannot afford to pay extra for this very important channel. I am comfortable saying this is the channel we use most in our household. Thank you for your time

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## Comments regarding need for affordable access to TWN/MM

**Date Arrived:** 2017-10-29

**Public Process Number:** 2017-365

**Intervention Number:** 2589

**Application(s):** 2017-0586-5

**Case:** 244232

**Request to appear at the public hearing:** No

**Respondent:** No

### Comment

I use the Weather Network frequently to keep me informed on local weather and how road conditions might be (rain storm, fire situations, and snow conditions in the winter) as I drive approx. 13km each way on the highway each weekday to get to and from work. Canadians who cannot afford more expensive cable and satellite TV packages should continue to have access to The Weather Network on the basic TV service as weather forecasts should be available to all Canadians regardless of socioeconomic status. It is absolutely unfair to expect Canadians to pay more for local weather forecasts that help keep them safe. Emergency alerts are an important public safety tool and should remain readily accessible. I most definitely rely on The Weather Network's coverage of active weather situations so I know how to plan my day to be as safe as possible. Honestly, we lack continuously accessible local forecasts and if the weather network was removed from basic cable, our community would not be able to conveniently access weather news and information. The Weather Network should remain on the basic service so Canadians who do not have access to, or are uncomfortable using, broadband Internet should have access to weather news on TV. It is unfair to expect socioeconomically compromised Canadians use alternate methods (methods they may feel uncomfortable using) or a more expensive method to access a basic service that is used to keep them safe.

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## Comments regarding need for affordable access to TWN/MM

**Date Arrived:** 2017-10-29

**Public Process Number:** 2017-365

**Intervention Number:** 2629

**Application(s):** 2017-0586-5

**Case:** 244272

**Request to appear at the public hearing:** No

**Respondent:** No

### Comment

I rely on the information from the Weather Network to plan my day, decide what to wear outside and to plan activities in the coming days.

I feel that it should remain as a basic service on cable TV as I (and many others) cannot afford a more expensive cable package.

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## Comments regarding need for affordable access to TWN/MM

**Date Arrived:** 2017-10-29

**Public Process Number:** 2017-365

**Intervention Number:** 2770

**Application(s):** 2017-0586-5

**Case:** 244382

**Request to appear at the public hearing:** No

**Respondent:** No

### Comment

My wife and I use The Weather Network (TWN) every day as it is the best source for local and national weather information to help us plan our activities for the day and keep us up to date of any weather alerts from Environment Canada. It is the first thing we tune to in the morning and the last thing at night. We rely on TWN's coverage of active weather situations to plan for and stay safe.

Canadians who cannot afford the expensive cable/satellite TV packages should continue to be able to have access to TWN on the basic TV service. TWN should remain on the basic TV service package. My wife who does not use the computer and hence cannot access the broadband internet, should still be able to access the weather news on the basic service, should something happen to me.

Hugh Walford

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## Comments regarding need for affordable access to TWN/MM

**Date Arrived:** 2017-10-29

**Public Process Number:** 2017-365

**Intervention Number:** 2776

**Application(s):** 2017-0586-5

**Case:** 244388

**Request to appear at the public hearing:** No

**Respondent:** No

### Comment

The weather network provides important information that every citizen should have access to. They provide daily weather information that is very useful as well as important and sometimes life-saving information about weather alerts regarding storms, tornados, air quality and freezing conditions. It would be both a hazard to the public and a serious inconvenience to do away with the information this network provides to all that have basic cable and cannot afford more expensive cable packages. Shouldn't all Canadians have access to this vital information? Is safety only for the wealthy?

**Copy sent to applicant and to any respondent if applicable:** Yes

### Client Information

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## Comments regarding need for affordable access to TWN/MM

**Date Arrived:** 2017-10-29

**Public Process Number:** 2017-365

**Intervention Number:** 2830

**Application(s):** 2017-0586-5

**Case:** 244446

**Request to appear at the public hearing:** No

**Respondent:** No

### Comment

I use The Weather Network frequently to plan my day. I dress my children according to the information I get from the Weather Network, and I feel that most Canadians cannot afford more expensive cable and satellite TV packages, and we should continue to have access to The Weather Network on the basic TV service. I believe emergency alerts are an important public safety tool as they help us to be prepared for any emergency. I and most of my friends rely on The Weather Network's coverage of active weather situations so we know how to plan and stay safe.

The Weather Network should remain on the basic service so Canadians who do not have access to the broadband Internet should have access to weather news on TV.

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## Comments regarding need for affordable access to TWN/MM

**Date Arrived:** 2017-10-30

**Public Process Number:** 2017-365

**Intervention Number:** 2873

**Application(s):** 2017-0586-5

**Case:** 244494

**Request to appear at the public hearing:** No

**Respondent:** No

### Comment

The weather Network is the most important channel in our house. we watch it religiously. It is the tool that we use to plan our days and the link we count on for weather alerts regarding our safety. Without it I feel that our family safety would actually be compromised, not to mention the quality of our lives. we like to be informed. Please keep this channel on the basic cable service. we simply cannot afford any more money for necessary additional services such as this.

As we speak we are watching the weather network covering a " weather bomb" that is hitting Montreal...because of it we know how to conduct ourselves today and for Halloween coming up with all the kids that will be outside.

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## Comments regarding need for affordable access to TWN/MM

**Date Arrived:** 2017-10-30

**Public Process Number:** 2017-365

**Intervention Number:** 2956

**Application(s):** 2017-0586-5

**Case:** 244561

**Request to appear at the public hearing:** No

**Respondent:** No

### Comment

we use the weather network every day to plan activities, travel, and even what we wear. The teaching videos and other information are great for learning how to read the weather. It has to be left on basic cable cause we cannot afford the fancy channels

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## Comments regarding need for affordable access to TWN/MM

**Date Arrived:** 2017-10-30

**Public Process Number:** 2017-365

**Intervention Number:** 2979

**Application(s):** 2017-0586-5

**Case:** 244584

**Request to appear at the public hearing:** No

**Respondent:** No

### Comment

I use The Weather Network frequently to help plan my day . It helps to let me know the weather for my drive to work, going out on the lake or if it is good to go foe a run/walk.

I feel Canadians who cannot afford more expensive cable and satellite TV packages should continue to have access to The Weather Network on the basic Many elder people are on fixed incomes and rely on the weather network on cable packages they can afford. I also believe emergency alerts are an important public safety too, it has warned us many times of snow storm and thunderstorms, that we were able to be prepared for. The Weather Network needs to stay on cable for the safety of everyone.

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## Comments regarding need for affordable access to TWN/MM

**Date Arrived:** 2017-10-30

**Public Process Number:** 2017-365

**Intervention Number:** 3056

**Application(s):** 2017-0586-5

**Case:** 244680

**Request to appear at the public hearing:** No

**Respondent:** No

### Comment

Hello

Like many, I use the Weather Network as my main AND continuous source of weather information. I am both a pensioner and wheelchair user. To plan my medical and supply trips, I use the network to plan my days. Yes, you have the weather on the various news broadcast but they are short, clipped summaries of what is going on and do not tell the whole story when many of us need it.

I cannot wait for the 5pm news to find out what to wear for a 3pm wheeltrans trip to the doctor !!!!!

As a pensioner, I cannot afford a further cost for extra TV stations that I don't want and need, just to get the Weather Network.

Please, keep it al on the basic cable

Thank you

Paul Laughlin

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## Comments regarding need for affordable access to TWN/MM

**Date Arrived:** 2017-10-30

**Public Process Number:** 2017-365

**Intervention Number:** 3058

**Application(s):** 2017-0586-5

**Case:** 244682

**Request to appear at the public hearing:** No

**Respondent:** No

### Comment

I watch the weather network daily on my limited TV programming - I cannot afford full cable packages, and I do not access internet often. The information that the basic cable service provides to me for weather helps me plan any business trips that I have to use a vehicle to drive. It has helped with forecasted winter weather and weather watches that were not reported by my local TV station news. It differs from my local basic cable news channels in that it provides way more weather information - and it is useful for me.

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## Comments regarding need for affordable access to TWN/MM

**Date Arrived:** 2017-10-30

**Public Process Number:** 2017-365

**Intervention Number:** 3168

**Application(s):** 2017-0586-5

**Case:** 244768

**Request to appear at the public hearing:** No

**Respondent:** No

### **Comment**

this is a very valuable station, I watch it every day to keep track of situations in Toronto and elsewhere in Canada as my family is spread out in Canada and around the world. Please make sure they stay as they are as I cannot afford to pay for anything else beside cable, not paying extra for this channel. They are also a needed station for salesmen to keep them informed as to conditions and anyone who travels And the have the greatest on air people.

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## Comments regarding need for affordable access to TWN/MM

**Date Arrived:** 2017-10-30

**Public Process Number:** 2017-365

**Intervention Number:** 3141

**Application(s):** 2017-0586-5

**Case:** 244780

**Request to appear at the public hearing:** No

**Respondent:** No

### Comment

I use the Weather Network daily to obtain a range of information: daily weather to plan my day including what to wear, whether it's safe to drive my car, what outdoor activities are appropriate (gardening, walking the dog, drying clothes outside, etc.). The weather alerts provided by the network help me to make safe choices. I also use the long range forecast for making long range plans. And in the winter the road condition reports are especially important for making safe choices concerning travel. There are no comparable sources of such information available locally for Parry Sound and the format is far better than on line alternatives. I do believe it is important the Weather Network should be part of basic TV service available to those that cannot afford more expensive cable and satellite TV packages. The Weather Network provides me with valuable information that I would seriously miss if no longer available.

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## Comments regarding need for affordable access to TWN/MM

**Date Arrived:** 2017-10-30

**Public Process Number:** 2017-365

**Intervention Number:** 3155

**Application(s):** 2017-0586-5

**Case:** 244795

**Request to appear at the public hearing:** No

**Respondent:** No

### Comment

I support the weather network. I use it everyday to tell me of dangerous conditions. I decide whether or not to take my car depending on the severity of the weather. I need it on my basic cable. I cannot afford more channels. I am sure many others are in the same situation.

Please renew their licence. Keep them on basic cable.

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## Comments regarding need for affordable access to TWN/MM

**Date Arrived:** 2017-10-30

**Public Process Number:** 2017-365

**Intervention Number:** 3157

**Application(s):** 2017-0586-5

**Case:** 244797

**Request to appear at the public hearing:** No

**Respondent:** No

### Comment

We routinely view the WeatherNetwork channel 4-6 hours a day.

The reports help us to plan in advance, over a short term, activities we do outdoors, as well as be aware of changes to expect in the weather over a 7-10 day period.

Activities include yard and garden maintenance, trips to doctors and hospitals as far as scheduled appointments go.

In addition, the advance notice the WeatherNetwork gives allows us to be prepared for storm conditions that can arrive in any season.

The road reports are especially great during the mid fall through to mid spring times.

The emergency alerts can not be replaced as many that cannot afford extra payouts rely on this channel.

Local radio stations do have a weather segment in their news programs, but it is extremely short, and does not usually cover even the full receiving area.

The emergency notices I have heard have well after the fact and they do not have any sort of easy way to call-in an 'as-it-is-happening' condition (yes, I have tried several times).

The two television stations that could be considered as local, do have a bit more extensive weather outlooks than the radio station has, but again, it becomes very light in our not so immediate are.

I feel the license situation, especially for the WeatherNetwork, should not have to be renewed on a regular basis, but be full-time as a 'free' public access, information channel.

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## Comments regarding need for affordable access to TWN/MM

**Date Arrived:** 2017-10-31

**Public Process Number:** 2017-365

**Intervention Number:** 3358

**Application(s):** 2017-0586-5

**Case:** 245001

**Request to appear at the public hearing:** No

**Respondent:** No

### Comment

Application number 2017-0586-5; Consultation number: 2017-365

I believe Canadians like me who cannot afford expensive cable and satellite TV packages should continue to have access to The Weather Network on the basic TV service. Not just so we can plan our day but also, even more importantly, so we have access to weather warnings & emergency alerts. That's a basic part of public safety which is important for the city and province and country to support. It's also good to support! For example, if I know it's going to snow or have freezing rain then I plan my driving so I can be safe and then there's less people on the road during dangerous conditions, which is good for the city and province. Often I have had the flexibility to leave work early or leave work late. If it is bad weather during rush hour, I always leave work early or late so I'm not on the road at peak traffic. It's safer for me & it makes other drivers safer since it can reduce rush hour traffic.

My last job was with an arborist (treework), so the weather network was very important for running the business since knowing storms helps to schedule or cancel treework.

Because I'm poor I have to be on a very slow internet plan & frequently it crashes or cannot load the weather network because it has too much data & takes too long to load so it goes "unresponsive". TV doesn't do that so I have much more reliable access to the weather network on TV than on internet. So The Weather Network should remain on the basic service for poor Canadians like me so we can have reliable access to it. And what about people who do not have access to, or are uncomfortable using broadband Internet service? They should have access to weather news on TV.

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## Comments regarding need for affordable access to TWN/MM

**Date Arrived:** 2017-10-31

**Public Process Number:** 2017-365

**Intervention Number:** 3388

**Application(s):** 2017-0586-5

**Case:** 245031

**Request to appear at the public hearing:** No

**Respondent:** No

### Comment

The weather is a very important piece of information to all Canadians, from single mothers in getting their children ready for school, to company presidents to figure out what clothes to wear. Single mothers cannot afford costly cable packages. The Weather network must be kept a part of all basic cable for all Canadians. Please

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## Comments regarding need for affordable access to TWN/MM

**Date Arrived:** 2017-10-31

**Public Process Number:** 2017-365

**Intervention Number:** 3543

**Application(s):** 2017-0586-5

**Case:** 245201

**Request to appear at the public hearing:** No

**Respondent:** No

### Comment

I believe that the Weather Network should continue to be included in the basic cable package. Basic cable is expensive enough, a public service such as weather should be accessible to those who cannot afford premium cable.

I view the Weather Network station every day, and most days multiple times. As well as weather it provides many interesting and educational segments.

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## Comments regarding need for affordable access to TWN/MM

**Date Arrived:** 2017-11-01

**Public Process Number:** 2017-365

**Intervention Number:** 3611

**Application(s):** 2017-0586-5

**Case:** 245269

**Request to appear at the public hearing:** No

**Respondent:** No

### Comment

Hello,

I am writing to let you know how important The Weather Network is to our family. We not only watch daily, but rely on the information provided to help us plan our day, whether it will impact travelling to work or affect our plans for recreation and socializing. It is our background station during the day (as opposed to a station like CP24), therefore we are kept up to the minute of any major weather situations or emergency alerts that might impact us. We are fortunate to be able to afford a higher package with our cable company (for the time being), so it worries me for those that cannot afford more than basic cable and would be deprived of this essential service.

Thank you.

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## Comments regarding need for affordable access to TWN/MM

**Date Arrived:** 2017-11-01

**Public Process Number:** 2017-365

**Intervention Number:** 3628

**Application(s):** 2017-0586-5

**Case:** 245286

**Request to appear at the public hearing:** No

**Respondent:** No

### Comment

Weather is something affects everyone. Many households cannot afford to pay extra for the very informative and timely information provided by The Weather Network. I watch The Weather Network every day in order to plan my day and my drive, when to perform certain outdoor activities from yard maintenance to when to set up and put away yard displays (Halloween, Christmas), and when recreation activities should be planned (camping, etc.).

I support The Weather Network and their bid to remain part of all basic TV plans/packages.

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## Comments regarding need for affordable access to TWN/MM

**Date Arrived:** 2017-11-01

**Public Process Number:** 2017-365

**Intervention Number:** 3734

**Application(s):** 2017-0586-5

**Case:** 245398

**Request to appear at the public hearing:** No

**Respondent:** No

### Comment

I believe that it is in the public interest of all Canadians that we continue to have distribution, on a Mandatory Basis, of The Weather Network as a basic service package of all Canadian BDUs. We live remotely in NW Ont and have no weather station in this region now. We use The Weather Network daily, if not hourly, to plan all of our activities locally, and away; for travel to other destinations, & for family members living in other areas of Canada. It helps us to determine: what to wear on outings; the active weather forecast currently & in days ahead; road conditions into town-as we live remotely; weather warnings/alerts/watches, power outages so to ready ourselves with extra water, up-to-date survival kit, etc. To know what to pack for travel to other areas. Knowledge of what weather our families are dealing with in other areas. This is an essential service for us as it is our only source of up-to-date information readily at hand. As a retired couple we pay for the basic tv package and hope The Weather Network will continue to be included in this package. Weather plays a huge role in how we live out on Lake Superior, both in summer (wind/wave action; heat; storm warnings) and in winter (wind/rain/sleet/snow- alerts/watches/warnings) All of this knowledge is important for power outages, cold for water lines; and road info for travel on the Trans Canada Highway. I cannot stress strongly enough that this TV access remain on the basic t.v. package service currently available. This should be mandatory in Canada for our ever changing, and more bizarre weather conditions. This is a fantastic weather channel that keeps us up to date, informed & safe, and I feel Must continue to be included in the Basic t.v. package. We are retired and on a limited budget. We cannot afford to pay more for our t.v. package just to get The Weather Network. We truly need this important service in the basic t.v. package making it affordable to all and helping to keep us safe.

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## Comments regarding need for affordable access to TWN/MM

**Date Arrived:** 2017-11-01

**Public Process Number:** 2017-365

**Intervention Number:** 3792

**Application(s):** 2017-0586-5

**Case:** 245455

**Request to appear at the public hearing:** No

**Respondent:** No

### Comment

The Weather Network is an essential channel that must remain on basic cable. Canadians who cannot afford more expensive cable packages are just as entitled as anyone else to accurate weather information, knowledge which is an important part of planning one's day.

Like everyone else, I must know what the weather is doing before I walk out the door. Do I need a raincoat or an umbrella? Will I have to shovel the driveway? What's the UV level, and do I need protection from sun and heat? So many aspects of our lives are dependent on knowledge of the weather outside our door. This knowledge is important not just to us as individuals, but to the businesses on which so many livelihoods depend.

Some people seem to think of the Weather Network as some kind of frill, that can be moved to a more expensive cable package. This is nonsense! Timely coverage of dangerous weather situations and emergency alerts must be available to everyone. Lives can depend on this kind of information

Those who suggest that people can always get the information they need online are ignoring the fact that many people don't have the internet, or find it difficult to use.

For all the reasons I have mentioned above, weather news should be available to everyone. The Weather Network must remain on basic cable so that as many Canadians as possible are able to access this essential information.

Thank you,

Carol Bruce  
Toronto, Ontario

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## Comments regarding need for affordable access to TWN/MM

**Date Arrived:** 2017-11-02

**Public Process Number:** 2017-365

**Intervention Number:** 4069

**Application(s):** 2017-0586-5

**Case:** 245741

**Request to appear at the public hearing:** No

**Respondent:** No

### Comment

I rely on and value The Weather Network being on the basic television service.

The Weather Network helps me plan my day by planning what to wear and how to dress my family, or whether to leave early because of poor road conditions.

I also The Weather Network during active weather situations so you can plan and stay safe.

I use The Weather Network several times a day to help you plan my day and the coming weeks?

I feel Canadians who cannot afford more expensive cable and satellite TV packages should continue to have access to The Weather Network on the basic TV service?

If The Weather Network was not available in my community, I don't know of any local alternative that provides access weather news and information in such a thorough and convenient way?

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## Comments regarding need for affordable access to TWN/MM

**Date Arrived:** 2017-11-02

**Public Process Number:** 2017-365

**Intervention Number:** 4076

**Application(s):** 2017-0586-5

**Case:** 245748

**Request to appear at the public hearing:** No

**Respondent:** No

### Comment

I rely on the weather network daily

I use the weather network to plan my day and my week. I adjust my work schedule on this basis.

Canadians who cannot afford more expensive cable and satellite TV packages should continue to have access to The Weather Network on the basic TV service?

Emergency alerts are an important public safety tool? - they are very helpful for planning

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**Date Arrived:** 2017-11-02

**Public Process Number:** 2017-365

**Intervention Number:** 4080

**Application(s):** 2017-0586-5

**Case:** 245752

**Request to appear at the public hearing:** No

**Respondent:** No

### **Comment**

I feel Canadians who cannot afford more expensive cable and satellite TV packages should continue to have access to The Weather Network on the basic TV service. This should be standard.

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## Comments regarding need for affordable access to TWN/MM

**Date Arrived:** 2017-11-02

**Public Process Number:** 2017-365

**Intervention Number:** 4109

**Application(s):** 2017-0586-5

**Case:** 245780

**Request to appear at the public hearing:** No

**Respondent:** No

### Comment

I use The Weather Network frequently to help you plan my day in what activities I choose to do. It helps in planning what I wear.to go outside. I feel Canadians who cannot afford more expensive cable and satellite TV packages should continue to have access to The Weather Network on the basic TV service.

We pay too much for cable already.

I believe emergency alerts are an important public safety tool on TV.

I use The Weather Network in planning day trips outside my city.

I love TWN!!

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## Comments regarding need for affordable access to TWN/MM

**Date Arrived:** 2017-11-03

**Public Process Number:** 2017-365

**Intervention Number:** 4255

**Application(s):** 2017-0586-5

**Case:** 245934

**Request to appear at the public hearing:** No

**Respondent:** No

### Comment

To Whom It May Concern:

I strongly believe that The Weather Network must remain on the basic service so Canadians who do not have access to, or are uncomfortable using, broadband Internet should have access to weather news on TV. In addition, Canadians who cannot afford more expensive cable and satellite TV packages should continue to have access to The Weather Network on the basic TV service.

I refer to The Weather Network frequently (multiple times per day) to help me plan the time and place of my outdoor activities.

Early in September, there was a tornado whose path veered within 20 km of my home and I needed minute-by-minute coverage of its location and path in order to feel safe in my home. TWN also provided step by step instructions on where to take shelter inside my home to avoid injury in case the tornado did hit the house. This is a very important public service and tool for public safety.

My local CTV station does provide some local weather information but they are not dedicated solely to information about the weather and I feel that TWN's dedicated approach to detailed weather information serves my needs in the best way possible.

Let's face it; the weather outside is becoming more frightful every day. TWN on basic TV is a necessity in order for the public to keep up with the changing climate.

Regards,  
Janet Lesperance

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## Comments regarding need for affordable access to TWN/MM

**Date Arrived:** 2017-11-03

**Public Process Number:** 2017-365

**Intervention Number:** 4272

**Application(s):** 2017-0586-5

**Case:** 245952

**Request to appear at the public hearing:** No

**Respondent:** No

### Comment

I have the The Weather Network on all day. I rely on them to give me the information I need to plan my day. The service that The Weather Network provides is invaluable and should be available on the basic cable network. I cannot afford to pay extra for the service they provide. Thank you

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## Comments regarding need for affordable access to TWN/MM

**Date Arrived:** 2017-11-03

**Public Process Number:** 2017-365

**Intervention Number:** 4376

**Application(s):** 2017-0586-5

**Case:** 246048

**Request to appear at the public hearing:** No

**Respondent:** No

### Comment

I rely on The Weather Network to get up to date weather information that affects my city. My husband travels 45 minutes to work each day and the Weather Network provides the information of which roads are clear and which roads should be avoided.

Also, I'm a pedestrian and I need the weather information that will allow me to dress appropriately when I walk to my destinations. I walk several times a week and rely on this information.

Canadians who cannot afford the special cable packages should not be discriminated against. We need this service to be provided in the basic cable package.

Thank you for considering my needs.

Regards,

Suzanne Rosengren

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## Comments regarding need for affordable access to TWN/MM

**Date Arrived:** 2017-11-04

**Public Process Number:** 2017-365

**Intervention Number:** 4869

**Application(s):** 2017-0586-5

**Case:** 246578

**Request to appear at the public hearing:** No

**Respondent:** No

### Comment

The weather network license renewal must stay a basic cable service channel. All Canadians including individuals working at the CRTC rely on weather forecasts daily. The Weather network forecasts prepares all of us throughout the year of weather conditions good or bad. This is a very important essential service for all Canadians who are affected by the weather every day. The license renewal should not be up for debate. Canadians who cannot afford higher price cable packages of this channel will be less informed and may suffer. CRTC this is your responsibility to keep all Canadians safe.

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## Comments regarding need for affordable access to TWN/MM

**Date Arrived:** 2017-11-04

**Public Process Number:** 2017-365

**Intervention Number:** 4883

**Application(s):** 2017-0586-5

**Case:** 246592

**Request to appear at the public hearing:** No

**Respondent:** No

### Comment

We believe it is important that the Weather Network remains available in the basic tv package. It is important for all Canadians to have access to the information that this channel provides. We watch it to find out if it is safe to travel or if there is a storm heading our way. It is important when we are planning what to wear for the day...or what our children need to wear when they are off to school.

This should be available to people---even if they cannot afford a more expensive tv package. It is discrimination to not provide this valuable service.

Thank you

Steve and Elaine Csire, Tillsonburg, ON--Oxford County

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## Comments regarding need for affordable access to TWN/MM

**Date Arrived:** 2017-11-04

**Public Process Number:** 2017-365

**Intervention Number:** 4903

**Application(s):** 2017-0586-5

**Case:** 246612

**Request to appear at the public hearing:** No

**Respondent:** No

### Comment

The Weather Network provides an essential public service to Canadians and should remain accessible and affordable to everyone as part of basic cable television. Allowing service providers to bundle TWN with other packages at additional cost would be restrictive and unfair to many who cannot afford higher prices. Timely, localized weather should not be commoditized and bundled as a premium service. This could pose a risk to many vulnerable Canadians who rely on this channel. It is a matter of public health and safety!

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## Comments regarding need for affordable access to TWN/MM

**Date Arrived:** 2017-11-04

**Public Process Number:** 2017-365

**Intervention Number:** 5024

**Application(s):** 2017-0586-5

**Case:** 246749

**Request to appear at the public hearing:** No

**Respondent:** No

### Comment

My husband and I check on the weather numerous times each day. The information we get from the weather network helps us plan our day, vacation, outdoor activities and events. It provides valuable information about stormy and dangerous weather patterns in a great many areas of the country and north America which helps us with our vacation and travel plans. The weather network provides a public service with notifications on emergency alerts, amber alerts, weather alerts, information on a variety of safety tips. The weather network should remain part of basic cable so that those who cannot afford the more expensive TV bundles or do not have a computer or internet service may continue to have access to the valuable information the weather network provides 24 hours each day. My husband and I do not use a cell phone or a tablet therefore we would not have access to any form of weather information. We rely heavily on The Weather Network and the service it provides on basic cable.

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## Comments regarding need for affordable access to TWN/MM

**Date Arrived:** 2017-11-04

**Public Process Number:** 2017-365

**Intervention Number:** 5058

**Application(s):** 2017-0586-5

**Case:** 246783

**Request to appear at the public hearing:** No

**Respondent:** No

### **Comment**

Please leave this channel in the basic channel package on Rogers. I cannot afford the paid packages. I am 70 years old, need the weather channel to plan my daily walks.

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**Comments regarding need for affordable access to TWN/MM**

**Date Arrived:** 2017-11-04

**Public Process Number:** 2017-365

**Intervention Number:** 5104

**Application(s):** 2017-0586-5

**Case:** 246832

**Request to appear at the public hearing:** No

**Respondent:** No

**Comment**

The weather network is what I wake up to each day to plan my activities for the week. We cannot afford to lose this valuable institution.

**Copy sent to applicant and to any respondent if applicable:** Yes

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## Comments regarding need for affordable access to TWN/MM

**Date Arrived:** 2017-11-04

**Public Process Number:** 2017-365

**Intervention Number:** 5107

**Application(s):** 2017-0586-5

**Case:** 246835

**Request to appear at the public hearing:** No

**Respondent:** No

### Comment

It is important that people can access information on upcoming weather and incoming storms for the safety of all Canadians. Please leave the Weather Network as part of the regular cable program. A lot of Canadians cannot afford specialty packages and now since it is easier to afford basic cable packages it is also important to ensure these packages include basic required information.

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**Comments regarding need for affordable access to TWN/MM**

**Date Arrived:** 2017-11-04

**Public Process Number:** 2017-365

**Intervention Number:** 5114

**Application(s):** 2017-0586-5

**Case:** 246843

**Request to appear at the public hearing:** No

**Respondent:** No

**Comment**

I am writing to request that "The Weather Network" be left at the basic cable level. I rely on "The Weather Network" to find out about what the weather conditions will be. Here are a few things to consider:

- many Canadians (myself included) cannot afford an increase in cable rates
- climate change has made it essential to know what kind of weather is coming your way.
- the "Weather Network" provides special bulletins about weather alerts

Thank you.

Beverly Cattle, West Hill, Ontario

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## Comments regarding need for affordable access to TWN/MM

**Date Arrived:** 2017-11-04

**Public Process Number:** 2017-365

**Intervention Number:** 5231

**Application(s):** 2017-0586-5

**Case:** 246962

**Request to appear at the public hearing:** No

**Respondent:** No

### Comment

I believe the Weather Channel offers a unique service and is critical to keep in basic cable packages. They help me with quick and easily accessible information to plan my day. It helps me to know what clothing to wear, advising other family members what to wear as well. It helps in planning activities like gardening, when to do laundry that I hang outdoors, sports activities, even planning when to walk my dog. Unlike radio where weather announcements are infrequent and not always quickly updated, the Weather Channel is very easily accessed and updated in a timely manner. I would be at a loss without this service. I know others would be too. The weather advisories are also important for me, and obviously to others who need the information. It is thorough and easy to understand. I cannot afford other cable packages and request this vital service to myself and all Canadians be kept in the basic cable package. Thank you.

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## Comments regarding need for affordable access to TWN/MM

**Date Arrived:** 2017-11-04

**Public Process Number:** 2017-365

**Intervention Number:** 5372

**Application(s):** 2017-0586-5

**Case:** 247114

**Request to appear at the public hearing:** No

**Respondent:** No

### Comment

Please keep the Weather Network on basic cable. People who cannot afford more expensive cable and satellite TV packages should continue to have access to The Weather Network on the basic TV service. Many people cannot afford computers or may be uncomfortable using the internet. How can they be aware of up to date and timely weather information easily? The Weather Network broadcasts emergency alerts which are important to public safety. I rely on The Weather Network's coverage of active weather situations so I know how to plan. Alerts on the radio are not as comprehensive as what I get from The Weather Network and waiting for the 6 o'clock news is ridiculous. It would be terrible if you took it off the basic cable service.

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## Comments regarding need for affordable access to TWN/MM

**Date Arrived:** 2017-11-04

**Public Process Number:** 2017-365

**Intervention Number:** 5429

**Application(s):** 2017-0586-5

**Case:** 247171

**Request to appear at the public hearing:** No

**Respondent:** No

### Comment

I use the weather network daily to plan my day and I cannot afford to spend more on my television coverage so I want it to continue being part of the basic cable package. It is important to continue because of the safety alerts, which are important to the safety of all Canadians. If the Weather Network were not available, I do not know of any other similar resource in our area that provides both safety and daily planning information. Please continue the Weather Network's license as is. Thank you.

**Copy sent to applicant and to any respondent if applicable:** Yes

### Client Information

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## Comments regarding need for affordable access to TWN/MM

**Date Arrived:** 2017-11-04

**Public Process Number:** 2017-365

**Intervention Number:** 5732

**Application(s):** 2017-0586-5

**Case:** 247494

**Request to appear at the public hearing:** No

**Respondent:** No

### Comment

I'm a crossing guard, and I rely on the weather network many, many times during each and every day. I do not have a smart phone and cannot afford big cable or data plans and packages. Even if I could, I find it against my basic rights to be slowly forced into these systems and plans (basic other systems being cancelled or abandoned altogether) that I cannot afford and am fundamentally against in principal. Affordable alternatives should be provided as a basic necessity and a right. Soon I will not be allowed to access the money in my bank account without some app and on-line entry point through a computer/smart phone etc. This is off topic slightly but just another illustration of rights and services being pinched and denied because of greed and big business.

My kids say the weather network is my favourite channel. They may be right. I rely on it heavily. I find it very educational as well.

Please leave it the way it is now and don't change things to deny basic access. It is just wrong.

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## Comments regarding need for affordable access to TWN/MM

**Date Arrived:** 2017-11-04

**Public Process Number:** 2017-365

**Intervention Number:** 5782

**Application(s):** 2017-0586-5

**Case:** 247546

**Request to appear at the public hearing:** No

**Respondent:** No

### Comment

Each morning I start the day by watching the weather channel for accurate, comprehensive weather news and even throughout the day as required for alerts and updates. It helps me plan my day, including, i.e. my wardrobe, whether I can garden that day, is it safe weatherwise to drive the hour to see my daughter and grandkids, when should I walk my dogs, should I stock up on grocery basics due to inclement weather approaching, etc. As a retiree, I cannot afford to pay extra for a service that is actually necessary for a Canadian with our varied weather patterns and especially as weather extremes are becoming the norm.

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**Comments regarding need for affordable access to TWN/MM**

**Date Arrived:** 2017-11-05

**Date Arrived:** 2017-11-05

**Public Process Number:** 2017-365

**Intervention Number:** 6325

**Application(s):** 2017-0586-5

**Case:** 247702

**Request to appear at the public hearing:** No

**Respondent:** No

**Comment**

I believe that Canadians who cannot afford more expensive cable and satellite TV packages should continue to have access to The Weather Network on the basic TV service

I believe emergency alerts are an important public safety tool.

I rely on The Weather Network's coverage of active weather situations so that I know how to plan and stay safe.

**Copy sent to applicant and to any respondent if applicable:** Yes

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## Comments regarding need for affordable access to TWN/MM

**Date Arrived:** 2017-11-05

**Public Process Number:** 2017-365

**Intervention Number:** 6135

**Application(s):** 2017-0586-5

**Case:** 247923

**Request to appear at the public hearing:** No

**Respondent:** No

### Comment

Hello,

I am here to support the Weather Network and to have there license renewed so i can continue to be able to watch in my area of Markham, Ontario on channel 22. The Weather Network is an important part of my day and i tune in each and everyday in order to find out the weather for that day and the days ahead. I am a delivery driver and getting this information each day and getting the information accurately is very very important to me. It helps me a great deal and would very much make my days difficult not knowing this important information relating to the weather as i count a great deal on it in order to do my job efficiently and safely. The Weather Network provides everything i need to know all in one place. I cannot imagine being without it. I cannot afford to pay anything more on my cable bill so in the future if the Weather Channel were to become a channel that has to be paid for separately i would not be able to do so. My hope is the CRTC will grant a license to the Weather Network so i can continue to receive all the important weather information on channel 22that they provide and that is so important to me.

Thank you

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## Comments regarding need for affordable access to TWN/MM

**Date Arrived:** 2017-11-05

**Public Process Number:** 2017-365

**Intervention Number:** 6366

**Application(s):** 2017-0586-5

**Case:** 248060

**Request to appear at the public hearing:** No

**Respondent:** No

### **Comment**

I believe that Canadians who cannot afford more expensive cable and satellite TV packages should continue to have access to The Weather Network on the basic TV service.

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## Comments regarding need for affordable access to TWN/MM

**Date Arrived:** 2017-11-06

**Public Process Number:** 2017-365

**Intervention Number:** 6859

**Application(s):** 2017-0586-5

**Case:** 248557

**Request to appear at the public hearing:** No

**Respondent:** No

### Comment

I feel that it is very important for ALL of the weather network information to be available to ALL Canadians, even those of us who cannot afford anything else but the very basic television service! We NEED to know about the daily weather forecast every day, as well as all the very important weather alerts just as much as the people who can afford to pay more to get these services!

I check the weather network the very first thing every single morning so that I can plan my day accordingly; and I check it frequently throughout the day -- especially when there are red alerts on TV. It is VERY important to me to be able to do this! It is not just for everyday use, it is especially important if we are planning an out of town and/or out of province trip. Please do not deny us this privilege -- keep things the way they are now!!! Thank you.

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## Comments regarding need for affordable access to TWN/MM

**Date Arrived:** 2017-11-06

**Public Process Number:** 2017-365

**Intervention Number:** 6970

**Application(s):** 2017-0586-5

**Case:** 248667

**Request to appear at the public hearing:** No

**Respondent:** No

### Comment

I frequently check the weather network on a daily basis for a number of reasons. First, I don't drive and so I rely on public transit to travel anywhere. The Weather Network (WN) provides up-to-date information in their short-term local forecasts re: temps, precip, wind, barometric pressure, and storms. My weekdays begin at 4:30 am, and the WN helps me to know what to expect for my commute from Burlington to Toronto, helps me determine how to dress depending on the weather that day (I have arthritis and weather affects it); how to plan my commute - especially in event of stormy winter weather. The WN is a valuable resource for people living in flood prone areas (provides warnings about excessive rain/snow and gives people a head's up to prepare) and for those who may be harmed by severe weather (tornados) - alerting people to be on the lookout and take cover. I ask you to please keep the Weather Network on basic cable so that people who cannot afford more expensive tv programming, will be able to access this informative, educational and important station. Weather impacts Canadians everyday life. The Weather Network is an excellent source of up-to-date information. Please keep it on basic cable. Thank you

**Copy sent to applicant and to any respondent if applicable:** Yes

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## Comments regarding need for affordable access to TWN/MM

**Date Arrived:** 2017-11-06

**Public Process Number:** 2017-365

**Intervention Number:** 7081

**Application(s):** 2017-0586-5

**Case:** 248780

**Request to appear at the public hearing:** No

**Respondent:** No

### **Comment**

Canadians who cannot afford more expensive cable and satellite TV packages should continue to have access to The Weather Network on the basic TV service. The Weather Network provides emergency weather alerts which are an important public safety tool, and as such, should be as easily accessible as possible.

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**Date Arrived:** 2017-11-06

**Public Process Number:** 2017-365

**Intervention Number:** 7308

**Application(s):** 2017-0586-5

**Case:** 249019

**Request to appear at the public hearing:** No

**Respondent:** No

### Comment

Canadians who cannot afford more expensive cable and satellite TV packages should continue to have access to The Weather Network on the basic TV service. This is a basic service, not something that should have to be paid extra for.

**Copy sent to applicant and to any respondent if applicable:** Yes

### Client Information

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## Comments regarding need for affordable access to TWN/MM

**Date Arrived:** 2017-11-06

**Public Process Number:** 2017-365

**Intervention Number:** 7345

**Application(s):** 2017-0586-5

**Case:** 249059

**Request to appear at the public hearing:** No

**Respondent:** No

### Comment

I use the weathernetwork almost daily,especially if we have snow days.I drive alot ans need to know temperature ans roads conditions. I feel Canadians should have affordable access to the weather network.I cannot afford more expensive cable packages.I feel the EMERGENCY ALERTS USEFUL and VERY IMPORTANT, i read them all the time  
ALBERTANS CAN RELATE WITH ALL THE WILDFIRES and, FLOODS.  
THE WEATHER NETWORK is very VERY IMFORMATIVE  
I appreciate being able to read about weather across CANADA

**Copy sent to applicant and to any respondent if applicable:** Yes

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## Comments regarding need for affordable access to TWN/MM

**Date Arrived:** 2017-11-06

**Public Process Number:** 2017-365

**Intervention Number:** 7359

**Application(s):** 2017-0586-5

**Case:** 249075

**Request to appear at the public hearing:** No

**Respondent:** No

### Comment

I am writing in support to keep the Weather Network as part of my basic cable service. I rely heavily on the Weather Network throughout my day every day. It is the first thing I turn on every morning to see what the weather will be like, how I will dress for the day, weather I need an umbrella or a snow scraper. It determines whether I will travel out of town to shop or stay home. I depend on it in winter weather, it's a matter of safety, and I watch it to determine whether I will stay home from work or not. I depend on it in the summer to plan my vacation days. I depend on it to plan my wardrobe every single morning, in every season. It is an important channel that every Canadian should have access to in order to hear storm warnings, tornado warnings, and other severe weather. I live in Barrie, we were hit by a tornado in May 1985. We have had tornado watches and warnings which were issued over the Weather Network for all of us to see. It is a constant source of information which is crucial to everyone's safety. It is crucial that the Weather Network stay on basic cable so that every Canadian has access to their daily weather, I among many, cannot afford to pay more to be able to afford the very important information they provide to us. Keeping the Weather Network on basic cable is extremely important to elderly people like my 91 year old father who watches it throughout his day to see what the weather will be in his town, as well as throughout Canada and the world. He would be devastated if this channel would be taken away from basic cable as he does not own nor know how to operate a computer. He is on a fixed income and cannot afford expensive upgraded packages nor could he use the complicated remotes for cable boxes. There is no alternative dependable source of information, radio channels state the weather briefly and not often.

Not only is the Weather Network a very important and dependable source for weather around the world, there are always interesting facts and something interesting to learn such as types of clouds which indicate weather. It is the most important channel on my cable tv. It is a very important source of weather information for everyone of every age and every income bracket. It would be very sad to have it removed from basic cable, those who cannot afford it would lose a very valuable and important service which they depend on for not only their daily planning but their safety as well.

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## Comments regarding need for affordable access to TWN/MM

**Date Arrived:** 2017-11-06

**Public Process Number:** 2017-365

**Intervention Number:** 7410

**Application(s):** 2017-0586-5

**Case:** 249132

**Request to appear at the public hearing:** No

**Respondent:** No

### Comment

I watch the Weather Network every day. I only have basic cable, and cannot afford a more expensive plan. I believe the Weather Network should not be on a specialty package. It should stay accessible. I rely on it during active weather situations as well.

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## Comments regarding need for affordable access to TWN/MM

**Date Arrived:** 2017-11-06

**Public Process Number:** 2017-365

**Intervention Number:** 7414

**Application(s):** 2017-0586-5

**Case:** 249136

**Request to appear at the public hearing:** No

**Respondent:** No

### **Comment**

The Weather Network is at times a life saving information channel, that all Canadians need access too, without further cost of an already expensive cable package. I cannot afford anymore. Living in Canada the weather changes, dangerously fast and I need The Weather Network and rely on it for my safety. We have had record rainfalls, floodings, fires, freezing rain, all which can affect literally life or death decisions. Please keep this vital service as part of the basic cable package, as Canadians we need this!

Thank you so much for your consideration,

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## Comments regarding need for affordable access to TWN/MM

**Date Arrived:** 2017-11-07

**Public Process Number:** 2017-365

**Intervention Number:** 7608

**Application(s):** 2017-0586-5

**Case:** 249328

**Request to appear at the public hearing:** No

**Respondent:** No

### Comment

We check The Weather Network almost every day and on days when there is active weather check it frequently to keep abreast of what is happening. We do not have access to alternate weather information except through our local radio stations. Emergency alerts should be kept on The Weather Network in order to reach as many people as possible under the circumstances. We believe The Weather Network should be kept as a part of the basic service on cable TV - believe it or not, there are many people who do not have computers and cannot afford the additional expense to pay for this service separately.

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## Comments regarding need for affordable access to TWN/MM

**Date Arrived:** 2017-11-07

**Public Process Number:** 2017-365

**Intervention Number:** 7714

**Application(s):** 2017-0586-5

**Case:** 249433

**Request to appear at the public hearing:** No

**Respondent:** No

### Comment

I fully support the Weather Network to be renewed on basic cable as this is a service that should be available to all of the public even if they cannot afford to pay extra for a specialty channel. Many people plan their outings around the weather and they need to know more than just current conditions. If freezing rain is expected, or snow, or high winds, they need to plan accordingly. For myself, the Weather Network is the first thing I watch in the morning and the last thing I check at night. For Canadians, the weather is a big deal and can change drastically in a short time. We need the Weather Network to remain part of the Basic Cable Pkg.. Thank-you.

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## Comments regarding need for affordable access to TWN/MM

**Date Arrived:** 2017-11-07

**Public Process Number:** 2017-365

**Intervention Number:** 7716

**Application(s):** 2017-0586-5

**Case:** 249435

**Request to appear at the public hearing:** No

**Respondent:** No

### Comment

I tune into the weather network every morning when I am getting ready for work. The forecast helps me to plan how to dress and what to bring with me. I also like to tune in during the evenings to see what is coming up in the forecast, as well as seeing what else is happening in the world. I greatly appreciate the news stories and the tips provided during video clips. The weather network has been a part of basic cable packages since I was a child. The weather network needs to remain on basic cable for all those that cannot afford higher cable packages, or cannot afford a personal internet connection.

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## Comments regarding need for affordable access to TWN/MM

**Date Arrived:** 2017-11-07

**Public Process Number:** 2017-365

**Intervention Number:** 7994

**Application(s):** 2017-0586-5

**Case:** 249490

**Request to appear at the public hearing:** No

**Respondent:** No

### **Comment**

The Weather Network is a very reliable source for all active and current weather events happening across the country, and it needs to stay on basic cable due to the fact digital and satellite cable is pricey and a lot cannot afford it so by keeping The Weather Network on basic cable will be a huge help to keep up to date with current and long range forecasts, and all active weather and how it could impact your area. Thank you for listening to our voices and hope you make the right decision!

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## Comments regarding need for affordable access to TWN/MM

**Date Arrived:** 2017-11-07

**Public Process Number:** 2017-365

**Intervention Number:** 7907

**Application(s):** 2017-0586-5

**Case:** 249635

**Request to appear at the public hearing:** No

**Respondent:** No

### Comment

We use the Weather Network frequently to help plan our daily activities and to avoid risks with working or travelling under adverse weather conditions. In particular, we believe emergency alerts are an important public safety tool and that the Weather Network is particularly effective at delivering these alerts, both the official alerts issued by Environment Canada and the severe weather indices generated by the Weather Network. Without the Weather Network being available to us, we are not aware of any local alternative to conveniently and reliably access weather news and information.

As retired Canadians, we feel that Canadians who cannot afford more expensive cable and satellite TV packages should continue to have access to The Weather Network on the basic TV service. Therefore we urge that the CRTC should allow the Weather Network to remain on the basic cable service so we and other Canadians can continue to have this proven and reliable access to weather news on television.

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## Comments regarding need for affordable access to TWN/MM

**Date Arrived:** 2017-11-08

**Public Process Number:** 2017-365

**Intervention Number:** 8070

**Application(s):** 2017-0586-5

**Case:** 249748

**Request to appear at the public hearing:** No

**Respondent:** No

### Comment

The Weather Network is a valuable tool for anyone. Whether you travel or are making plans with your family it is great for updates and New stories. It helps us plan our week and weekend. It needs to be kept accessible to all and not assigned to a costly Cable package which most cannot afford.

We say Canadians always talk about the weather, let's keep it that way! Keep the Weather Network for all of us.

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**Date Arrived:** 2017-11-08

**Public Process Number:** 2017-365

**Intervention Number:** 8100

**Application(s):** 2017-0586-5

**Case:** 249826

**Request to appear at the public hearing:** No

**Respondent:** No

### Comment

I believe everyone should have access to the weather broadcast. Many people I know do not and cannot afford internet access. Many do have only basic cable service.

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**Date Arrived:** 2017-11-08

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**Intervention Number:** 8137

**Application(s):** 2017-0586-5

**Case:** 249865

**Request to appear at the public hearing:** No

**Respondent:** No

### Comment

I am writing to voice my support of the license renewal for Pelmorex Weather Networks (Television) Inc. The Weather Network is vital part of my day. Because I commute by car for work, I am very aware of weather conditions and hazards. The Weather Network is the first thing I turn on in the morning so that I can plan my day and commute. I do live in a larger city with other options, but I find that the quality, frequency and accuracy of the Weather Network is not matched by other broadcasts.

I also travel to remote regions, and smaller towns - again, I can always trust The Weather Network to have accurate information and weather mapping where there's sometimes not another reliable source of information.

As well, weather information 24/7 should be a part of any basic-cable service. Prices for cable TV have gone up almost every year, and providing essentially the same service. If we move The Weather Network off the basic service, it will increase costs again. Having just survived the losses in the market here in Alberta, and only just getting a job, I cannot afford another steep increase in my cable package. And I'm sure many that are still out of work definitely can't either.

In summary, The Weather Network is both a cost-effective and efficient way for Canadians to access vital information on the weather, warnings and alerts every day, 24-hours a day, and I fully support their license renewal.

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**Intervention Number:** 8205

**Application(s):** 2017-0586-5

**Case:** 249932

**Request to appear at the public hearing:** No

**Respondent:** No

### Comment

I consult the Weather Network multiple times each day. I am a transit user and also have a lot of walking to do and the Weather Network helps me plan what clothes and items that may be needed. My family is spread from south BC, North BC, Ontario, Quebec and Nova Scotia and we enjoy checking each other's weather. It helps bring us closer and sometimes one of us has missed a warning and we can warn/remind the others of the upcoming condition. In fact, this is the only place where i check for Emergency updates and i can't think of another way that could replace it. I have learned a lot of facts/issues from the Weather Network about other areas around the world. I enjoy this very much: again, this information brings my family closer together in terms of discussion and I have a family member who is a teacher who often refers to this information in the classroom. I don't subscribe to the more expensive channels and therefore i feel this service is invaluable to lower income Canadians esp those whose rent includes basic cable and who cannot afford the high cost of personal internet. The Weather Network is an important familiar reliable understandable place for travelling Canadians to get weather information because many hotels only have basic cable (or some other private tv channel system) which offer only a few channels which makes the Weather Network invaluable to travellers, esp since some of us can't bring laptops and our cell phone don't have enough data. Also, some restaurants like Tim Hortons often have the Weather Network on as well as our Skytrain system refers to the Weather Network - changes brought about with this application may affect their ability to show the Weather Network.

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## Comments regarding need for affordable access to TWN/MM

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**Public Process Number:** 2017-365

**Intervention Number:** 8217

**Application(s):** 2017-0586-5

**Case:** 249944

**Request to appear at the public hearing:** No

**Respondent:** No

### Comment

I rely on the weather network every morning to plan how I will dress for the day before going to work, especially in the transitional months where it may be warm throughout the day but cooler later on.

Moving the channel to cable or satellite TV packages is just a rip off. Cable is already expensive, and people cannot afford to buy packages because they require one channel.

The Weather Network provides Emergency alerts, and up-to-date information on weather situations, especially during inclement weather.

If the weather network was part of a package I did not subscribe to, I would not have access to weather information when I need it. I'm not always available to watch the local news at the time it is on, so I'm not sure how I would plan my day.

I know many people, not just the elderly who are not comfortable with using the internet to be able to look up the weather information they are looking for, for example, sunrise and sunset and when the rain will start or stop.

Please keep the weather network on basic cable.

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