

August 22, 2013,

Jean Michel Roy
Clerk of the Standing Committee on Industry, Science and Technology
6th Floor, 131 Queen Street
House of Commons
Ottawa, Ontario K1A 0A6

Dear Mr. Roy,

Pursuant to Standing Order 106(4) of the House of Commons, we are writing to request that the Chair of the Standing Committee on Industry, Science and Technology convene a meeting of the Committee to discuss the important and quickly-evolving telecommunications policy issue of radio spectrum access.

Important deadlines for the auction of the 700 MHz aspect of Canada's radio spectrum are fast approaching. The results of the decisions to be made will have far-reaching and long-term consequences for the Canadian telecommunications industry. This is a policy area that affects Canadians right across the country. It is the role and responsibility of Parliament to do everything in its power to clear the air and bring optimal benefits to Canadians.

There have already been large-scale efforts by interested parties to influence public opinion and the direction of government policy in this area. The debate is already well underway. In order for the public to have timely access to a broad base of factual information and informed opinion and to participate fully in setting Canada's policy course, it is vital that the Industry Committee meet immediately to begin an open, public examination of the issues.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter. Your timely response is greatly appreciated.

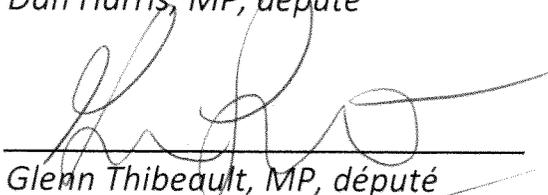
Sincerely,



Hélène Leblanc, MP, députée



Dan Harris, MP, député



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Kennedy Stewart, MP, député