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I am writing on behalf of Clear Power Solutions Inc. to support Bell Canada’s petition to the Government concerning the CRTC’s decision to begin regulating all-fibre broadband networks.

Clear Power is a small, privately held, Canadian company located in Saint John, New Brunswick that provides services to Canadian and international customers. For customers in the telecommunications industry, we provide power installations, back-up power, site evaluations and battery testing so that their services can operate at the highest level of reliability possible.

We support Bell’s request to overturn the CRTC’s decision as it is likely to discourage investments in fibre networks in New Brunswick and across Canada. These investments are clearly important to the people who live in the communities where the networks are upgraded. With fibre telecom networks, residents can enjoy the same state-of-the-art communications services as people in the largest urban areas. However, slowing or reducing such investments will also have strong negative impacts on smaller companies, like Clear Power, that are suppliers to telecom companies. When telecom companies like Bell build out or upgrade their networks, our business grows. When they do not invest, our business suffers. It is that simple.

We therefore encourage the Government to support broadband network investment, and all the small suppliers that play a role in building these networks, by reversing the CRTC’s decision.

Yours truly,