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Emerson Network Power is pleased to support Bell Canada’s petition to the Governor in Council concerning the CRTC’s decision to mandate access to Bell Canada’s new fibre-to-the-home networks.

Emerson Network Power is the world’s leading provider of critical infrastructure technologies and life cycle services for information and communications technology systems. We have an expansive portfolio of intelligent, rapidly deployable hardware and software solutions for power, thermal and infrastructure management. Our products and services enable efficient, highly available networks. Our 200 employees support this industry in 12 offices across Canada. The London office has supported the Canadian Telecom Industry and Bell Canada for 59 years.

Technology is ever-changing. The growth in data intensive information and communication applications and services means that network providers must continually invest and upgrade their networks. With the support of suppliers like Emerson Network Power, network providers like Bell Canada are able to provide Canadians with stable and continually connected broadband services. Without these investments Canadians would not have access to the world class networks and services that they do today.
Regulations that discourage network investment in the latest network technologies risk leaving Canadians behind in terms of information and communications technology applications and services. Allowing the current CRTC decision to stand is likely to reduce network investment across Canada. Hurting innovation, and slowing the growth of Canada’s digital economy. In order to avoid this, Canadian network providers need to continually invest in network infrastructure, and Canada’s regulations and policies should be designed to support network infrastructure investment such as Bell Canada’s fibre-to-the-home deployment. Therefore, we support Bell Canada’s request to overturn the CRTC’s decision.

Yours truly,

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