

## **First Nations Cable & Six Nations Internet**

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Six Nations Band Council P.O Box 5000 Ohsweken, Ont. NOA 1M0 519-445-2201 January 25, 2021

Dear Chief Hill, Band Council and Associates,

## **RE: First Nations Cable CRTC License**

Please be advised that First Nations Cable is writing this letter to remind and educate all the fore mentioned groups about our CRTC license and what it entitles us to. We fought to get our license over three years before receiving it in the spring of 1992. I had numerous meeting with Band Council and Public works in which a BCR was granted to support our license application. We signed a working contract with Public Works for our easements as per the late Duff Davis and the band committee. Upon receiving our license, we were granted the area of Six Nations and surrounding communities. The retains our rights to provide service and prevents other Communication companies such as Roger', Cogeco, etc., from encroaching on our area.

Friday Jan 22,2021 I received a letter stating that CBTF group was trying to setup a partnership with Roger's Cable/Broadband. This is a very serious matter, encroachment of our territory and will be dealt with as so. I have written a letter to Roger's stating our concerns and the possible violations if this partnership takes place. If this goes any further, I am prepared to go to the CRTC and file a complaint against Roger's Cable for encroaching our licensed territory. I am prepared to notify the public media and protest this effort. Please deal with this right away. I will give you until Friday, Jan 29<sup>th</sup>2021, If I don't hear from S.N Band council I will start presenting my case.

We are preparing to release our "Fiber To The Home" project in April/21. We Have 65km of fiber throughout the reserve and 95km of co-axial existing and we are preparing to extend our network. We will be burying fiber cable to the home starting with 4<sup>th</sup> Line from Tuscarora to the railway tracks and 2<sup>nd</sup> Line from Farmer's store to Bateman Line. We have 3Gbs front end and growing. We are working with some long haulers who provide large circuits as a lower cost. By building a circuit to these networks we can access lower prices (Bell, Hydro and Roger's mark up their bandwidth charges by 35-40%) and we will have access to American IP'S. We will be able to access a 100Gb loop. This would handle our whole community. This is a very big deal and will meet all the communities needs.

In event you want to discuss this matter further, please contact me at 519-445-2981, 226-387-1271 or by E-mail at <u>j.thomas@sixnationsns.com</u>. I would be happy to meet with Band Council any time any day to discuss our project and the possibility of working with the band to address the communities need correctly. This project we are recommenting will not only satisfy the communities immediate needs, but it's future needs as well.

Nye'weh and regards

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