



SOCAN

Society of Composers, Authors and  
Music Publishers of Canada

Société canadienne des auteurs,  
compositeurs et éditeurs de musique

## **COPYRIGHT BOARD OF CANADA APPROVES SOCAN'S COMMERCIAL RADIO TARIFF FOR THE YEARS 2008 THROUGH 2010**

**(Toronto – July 14)** The Society of Composers Authors and Music Publishers of Canada (SOCAN) today announced it is pleased that the Copyright Board of Canada (the Board) has approved its commercial radio tariff for the years 2008-2010. SOCAN is looking forward to assessing the contents and implications of this recent decision as it relates to its members' interests.

The Board maintained SOCAN's rates at 1.5%, 3.2% and 4.4% and approved SOCAN's request that these rates revert back to being based on a station's gross income.

Anne Godbout, SOCAN's Associate General Counsel, said:

"SOCAN is hopeful that this decision will positively impact our members and the Canadian music industry. Music is the primary programming component of most commercial radio stations, and the Board's decision and acknowledgement of SOCAN's request to change the application of rates back to gross income is encouraging."

### **About SOCAN**

At SOCAN, we understand that the Canadian music industry is only as strong as the sum of its parts. We are proud to play a leading role, working with other organizations to ensure the long-term health of our members' livelihoods and the Canadian music industry as a whole. SOCAN is the Canadian copyright collective for the communication and performance of musical works. We administer these rights on behalf of our members (composers, lyricists, songwriters and their publishers) and those of affiliated international organizations by licensing this use of their music in Canada. The fees collected are distributed as royalties to our members and to affiliated organizations throughout the world. We also distribute royalties received from those organizations to our members for the use of their music worldwide. SOCAN has offices in Toronto, Montreal, Vancouver, Edmonton and Dartmouth.

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