THE RAILWAY ASSOCIATION OF CANADA
CIRCULAR No. 9

CANADIAN RADIO FREQUENCY ASSIGNMENT
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This circular describes the procedure for assigning frequencies when a rail line is conveyed from the original owner to a new owner by purchase, lease, or running rights agreement:

1. The Railway Radio Spectrum has been allocated by Industry Canada (IC) to the railway industry and is managed by the Railway Association of Canada (RAC). The frequencies included in this allocation are specified in Appendix A;

2. The RAC, being the designated railway radio frequency coordinator, assigns frequencies in a manner that will provide interference free operations on a common frequency(ies) basis, for each railway company, over its entire system;

3. Any frequency(ies) assigned for use in railway operations on the property for sale, lease or for running rights, should not be part of or included in, the agreement. Final agreement should exclude any reference to transfer of frequency used by the former owner;

4. The selling railway should advise the purchaser to contact the RAC to arrange for any frequency or frequencies that they will require to operate any base station, mobile and handheld radios on their new acquisition;

5. The RAC, when requested, will re-assign the same frequency(ies) that are or were used by the former owner, when frequency coordination requirement permits. In case reassignment is not feasible, new frequencies will be assigned.

All requests for frequency assignment should be made in writing to Mr. Jacques Darrah, Manager, Radio Spectrum at the following address:

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