## To Whom It May Concern:

On Screen Manitoba is a provincial industry association. Our members include the private sector (production companies, industry service suppliers), Unions, guilds, non-profit film festivals and industry training organizations as well as individuals (writers, producers, directors and other industry professionals) representing some 1600 people who work in the media production industry in Manitoba. Our members reflect the cultural diversity of Manitoba's population including several Indigenous-owned production companies and our members produce content for English and French language markets.

Ownership and the generation of revenue through the sale of intellectual property is at the heart of the media production business. Copyright is an important issue for creators and other rights holders within our membership. Our members create, produce and sell content all over the world. An increasing number of these transactions are digital with new players emerging rapidly. On Screen Manitoba believes that creators should receive fair value for their work in a timely manner.

The Copyright Board plays a critical role in enacting the Copyright Act; we appreciate the government's efforts to clarify the role of the Board; to reduce delays; and to ensure transparency in the decision-making process. Canada's Copyright Board requires a clear mandate, a well-considered framework for decision-making, and sufficient resources to carry out its work in a transparent and expeditious manner.

Sincerely,

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