

Petition to the Government for High Speed Internet Licence for SpaceX Starlink

- In 2016, the Canadian Radio-television and Telecommunications Commission (CRTC) declared **high-speed Internet an essential service**;
- Existing Internet services are either inadequate, unaffordably priced, or non-existent for many areas of Canada, especially rural areas and Indigenous communities;
- **On May 20, 2020, SpaceX filed a request to the CRTC to obtain a BITS License, Ref. 8190-S206-202002799, which has still not been approved**;
- SpaceX has indicated that, following the currently running, successful, private beta test, they will very shortly be in a technical position to start a public beta test of this service in both the northern USA and southern Canada.

A petition can be signed at the following link to encourage the CRTC to **expedite the approval** of SpaceX's request for any and all licencing required to begin providing Starlink high-speed Internet service to Canadians, to ensure that all Canadians, especially the many rural and Indigenous businesses who are presently unable to obtain satisfactory Internet service, are not left behind and competitively disadvantaged.

<https://petitions.ourcommons.ca/en/Petition/Details?Petition=e-2896>

