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BROADCASTING
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OF IRELAND

EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST SOUND BROADCASTING SERVICES

In accordance with Section 65 (6) of the *Broadcasting Act 2009*, the Contract Awards Committee of the Broadcasting Authority of Ireland (“the BAI”) hereby invites expressions of interest from parties interested in securing a sound broadcasting contract (“Contract”) on the FM band for the provision of any of the following services: -

Quasi-national Speech/News Service

Programming on the service will be primarily news and speech, of relevance to listeners throughout the state and particularly, a 25+ target audience.

The contract, currently held by News 106 Limited and broadcasting as Newstalk, is due to expire on 24th September 2016.

Music-driven (Alternative Rock) Service Dublin City and County

Programming on the service should be primarily music-driven comprising of alternative modern rock music of relevance to the listeners in the Dublin City and County area. The service will have a strong emphasis on non-mainstream Irish and international artists (including unsigned artists) of relevance to this genre.

The contract, currently held by Dublin Rock Radio Limited and broadcasting as TX FM, is due to expire on 26th October 2016.

Interested parties should submit their expressions of interest in electronic format (PDF) to the BAI. Information in respect of the proposed service should be presented in the format prescribed in the BAI’s relevant *Guide for Expressions of Interest* (“Guide”), or alternatively by completing an *Expressions of Interest* form. There is a Guide and form for each sound broadcasting service available on the BAI’s website (www.bai.ie) or on request from the BAI’s offices (email info@bai.ie or call 01 6441200). A separate submission or completed form is required for each service.

Please note that an expression of interest in response to this notice **shall not** be regarded as an application for a sound broadcasting contract. Parties interested in submitting expressions of interest to the BAI should do so by **Tuesday, 1st December 2015**. Please note that all expressions of interest will be made available publicly following consideration by the BAI.

Expressions of interest should be forwarded to licensing@bai.ie

The contact for submissions is:

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