

Boulogne-Billancourt, October 23, 2014

LCI takes note of the decision by the judge in chambers at the Conseil d'Etat (State Council) to reject its request to suspend the decision handed down on July 29, 2014 by the French media regulator, CSA, refusing the migration of the channel to free-to-air DTT effective from January 1, 2015.

In its press release, the Conseil d'Etat states that: "The rejection of this suspension request is without prejudice to the merits of the case [...] the Conseil d'Etat, to which an application has been made by LCI to annul the CSA decision, will hand down its definitive opinion on the legality of the decision of the French media regulator in the first few months of 2015".

Given the schedule proposed by the Conseil d'Etat, and the declarations made by some distributors at the hearing, as related by the judge in his ruling, LCI is launching a consultation process with the distributors with a view to obtaining in particular an extension of existing contracts through to June 30, 2015.

The employee representatives of TF1, LCI and e-TF1 have been informed.

In addition, the information and consultation process initiated with the works councils has been suspended.