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**Topic:** Canada's Winter Olympics Technology

**Date:** Tuesday, March 16, 2010

**Time:** 6:30 pm

**Location:** Rogers Communications Centre,  
**Room RCC-204 Eaton Lecture Theatre**  
Ryerson University – 80 Gould Street, Toronto

**Arranged By:** Reid Robertson, Panasonic Canada Inc.  
Andrew Thomas, Rogers Sportsnet

**Sponsor:** Panasonic Canada Inc.

Andrew Thomas, Director of Technical Operations for Rogers Sportsnet, served as Technical Producer for the Sportsnet and TSN Olympic control rooms at the International Broadcast Center located in downtown Vancouver. Andrew will discuss how CTV and Rogers came together to produce the Canadian domestic feed of the recent Vancouver 2010 Winter Olympic games. The presentation will touch on how the host broadcast feeds from the various venues were integrated with the consortium announcers and unilateral cameras, along with the studio elements at the IBC, to produce an entirely HD and surround sound production. Other IBC activities such as logging, editing, and ENG camera workflow will also be covered.

Terence Lett is currently a freelance Technical Broadcast Service operator, having worked in the CTV Master Control Room for many years. Terry will discuss how the OBSV Multicast Service (Olympic Broadcast Services, Vancouver) supplied HD video & audio feeds to the Olympic broadcast rights holders around the globe. This was accomplished via a network of fibre and satellite delivery, based through Globecast Australia. The 8 multiplexed ASI streams were sent by fibre to Sydney, then distributed around the world. He will also talk about the Disaster Recovery scenario, put in place in the event of a critical failure at any crucial point in the network delivery plan, & how it was not required.

Reid Robertson, Supervisor of Panasonic Technical Support & Product Services, served as broadcast product technical support during the Vancouver Games, as a member of the Panasonic factory support team. This was his third Olympic event, having previously worked on the Barcelona & Lillehammer games. He will give his impressions on the drastic changes in the technology used for Olympic coverage. Reid will also show pictures of some of the technology behind the Vancouver games.

The SMPTE Board of Managers will meet in room RCC102 starting at 4:30 PM.

**Pizza & Pop Dinner provided at 6:30pm.**  
**(There will be no break between presenters.)**

# Manager of Engineering & Maintenance, TVO

**Date:** February 19, 2010  
**Position Title:** **Manager of Engineering & Maintenance**  
**Company:** **TVO**  
**Department:** **Process & Technology**  
**Reports To:** Chief Technology Officer  
**Location:** Toronto, (Yonge and Eglinton)

*TVO is Ontario's public educational media organization and a trusted source of interactive educational content that informs, inspires, and stimulates curiosity and thought. Our vision is to empower people to be engaged citizens of Ontario through educational media.*

*TVO's vision of citizen engagement is possible largely through its transformation over the last three years from pure TV station to a multi-platform media organization. As such, TVO is now able to fully embrace the power of interactive, on-demand and digital media to connect people and ideas.*

## **GENERAL ACCOUNTABILITY:**

As a member of the Process and Technology Division, you will be responsible for managing the Engineering and Maintenance department. This includes responsibility for capital projects as well as on-going service and support for TVO's television production and broadcast infrastructure.

## **SPECIFIC ACCOUNTABILITIES:**

- Overall responsibility for planning, designing, managing and overseeing the implementation of broadcast technology projects within approved budgets and timeframes
- Manage preventative maintenance and technical support for TVO's digital production and broadcast infrastructure
- Lead and coach a staff of eight technicians
- Prepare and administer annual and multi-year budgets and business plans
- Provide technical and business leadership from strategic decision-making to operational problem solving
- Create, cultivate, and enforce processes and procedures including release management, change management, and quality assurance best practices
- Provide direction for technical design and overall broadcast systems architecture. Review and analyze existing technology architecture and develop strategies for improvement
- Manage relationships with business sponsors and IT teams, to ensure that technology projects, are executed successfully and meet customer requirements.

## **KNOWLEDGE AND SKILLS:**

The incumbent will have a minimum of five years management experience in a similar role of design and maintenance of broadcast and IT infrastructure, and have a degree in engineering or computer science.

The successful candidate must also be familiar with the technical standards for broadcast technology. Current knowledge and experience with High Definition equipment, video servers, and digital file-based workflows is an essential requirement, as well as knowledge of web distribution technologies. This includes familiarity with AVID, Evertz, Omneon, Harris, Miranda and Sony products. A working knowledge of electrical power and mechanical systems as they relate to broadcast facility infrastructure would be a valuable asset.

In addition to managing projects and people, this position requires effective leadership and communication skills, self-motivation and a strong customer-service orientation.

**TVO** is committed to achieve a skilled workforce reflective of the population of Ontario.

**TVO provides a competitive salary, benefit package and the opportunity for career development.**

**Qualified candidates are invited to submit a cover letter with salary expectations and current resume, through Workopolis by March 19, 2010.**

We thank all applicants for their interest. However, only those candidates selected for an interview, will be contacted.