## **APPENDIX B**

## (See Article A104)

Prior to contracting a Writer, Story Editor or Story Consultant, Producers who agree to become parties to this Agreement shall sign a Voluntary Recognition Agreement as follows on their own letterhead and forward it to the Guild. This Voluntary Recognition Agreement shall constitute a binding and irrevocable obligation by the Producer to the terms and conditions of this Agreement where such Producer is involved in the production of a program:

## VOLUNTARY RECOGNITION AGREEMENT

(Bargaining Authorization and Voluntary Recognition Agreement)

I, \_\_\_\_\_\_(Insert name of individual) on behalf of the Producer hereby acknowledge receipt of the Independent Production Agreement dated July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2022 covering Freelance Writers of Theatrical Films, and Television Programs and other Production between the Canadian Media Producers Association (CMPA) and the Writers Guild of Canada (the Guild) and state that I am authorized to execute this Agreement on behalf of \_\_\_\_\_\_, (the "Producer").

The Producer hereby acknowledges that by executing this Voluntary Recognition Agreement it is becoming signatory to the said Agreement. The Producer agrees to abide by and conform to all the terms and conditions contained herein.

The Producer recognizes that the Guild is the exclusive bargaining agent of Writers, Story Editors and Story Consultants as defined in the IPA and recognizes the CMPA, if the Producer is a member, as the Producer's sole and exclusive bargaining agent.

We hereby certify that we are/are not a member in good standing of the CMPA:

\_\_\_\_\_ The Producer hereby certifies that it is a member in good standing of the CMPA:

Membership No.

The Negotiation Protocol set out in Appendix A of the IPA is hereby incorporated herein by reference, and by signing this document, the Producer appoints its Association as its exclusive bargaining agent, authorized to bargain on its behalf, and agrees that it shall be bound by the terms and conditions of the Agreement which is the result of collective bargaining between the Association on the one hand, and the Guild on the other hand, subject to ratification.

OR:

\_\_\_\_ The Producer hereby certifies that it is not a member in good standing of the CMPA. The Negotiation Protocol set out in Appendix A is not incorporated herein by reference, and the Producer does not appoint the CMPA as its exclusive bargaining agent.

A copy of this Voluntary Recognition Agreement shall be forwarded to the CMPA.

Dated this \_\_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_

(Name of Signatory Producer)

(Address of Signatory Producer)

(Phone and fax number of Signatory Producer)

(Authorized Signature)

(Print or type name of Authorized Signatory)

Receipt of the above Voluntary Recognition Agreement is hereby confirmed by the Writers Guild of Canada

(Authorized Signature)

(Print or type name of Authorized Signatory)

(Date)