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KCHJ, INCORPORATED (AL: 10-18-79

EFF:

Location: Delano, California

* JEAN GOSS JOHNES (VOL. AL & CP 6-8-70 EFF: 6-10-70

X JEAN GOSS JOHNES, ADMINISTRATRIX OF THE ESTATE OF CHARLES HERMAN JOHNES (AL 6-28-68 EFF. 6-29-68)

X CHARLES HERMAN JOHNES

Name of licensee

(BP 10-30-59)

0.5 mi. S. of Avenue 16, 3 mi. W. of Road 136, near Delano, California /

X On Tulare-Kern County Line Road, $\frac{1}{2}$ mile west of Hiatt Avenue,Transmitter location Outside of city limits of Delano, California (MP 10-6-50) Lic. 12-18-51

(BP 10-30-59)

0.5 mi. S. of Avenue 16, 3 mi. W. of Road 136, near Delano, California /

X On Tulare-Kern County Line Road, $\frac{1}{2}$ mile west of Hiatt Avenue,Main studio location Outside of city limits of Delano, California (MP 10-6-50) Lic. 12-18-51

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CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From- To-
BP-7066	8-31-49	1010	1kw	Daytime	
	Ltr. 9-7-49. CP for a new station granted subj. filing MP for approval T site and antenna. (COND. CLAUSE)				
BP-7066	9-20-50.	Order issued to modify grant to include condition that applicant accept interference in event of grant of KARM (EP-3784).			
BMP-4810 (Conds.)	10-6-50	1010	1kw	Daytime	By 12-6-50 6-6-51
Mod. CP(BP-7066) for approval ant. & T site, specify studio location and make changes in antenna.					
BMP-5551	5-8-51	Mod. of CP (7066 as mod) for ext. of comp date. (COND. CLAUSE)			12-6 12-6-51
BL-4606	12-18-51	1010	1kw (COND'L CLAUSE)	Day	12-18 12-1-53
Lic. cover CP 7066 as mod., for a new standard broadcast station					
BR-2671	11-25-53	<u>Renewal of license</u>			12-1 12-1-56
BP-8681	12-22-54	1010kc	1kw, 5kw-LS	Un	2-22-55 8-22-55
CP to change power, hours of operation, install DA-2, change type trans. and t. location (coordinat only) (CONDITIONAL CLAUSE)					
BMP-6927 (1)	8-11-55	Mod. of CP (BP-8681) for extension of completion date to 2-22-56.			
BMP-7102 (2)	2-14-56	Mod. of CP(8681, as mod.) for extension of completion date to 7-22-56			
BMP-7102 (2)	2-14-56	Supersedes above authorization to correct file number			
BMP-7277 (3)	7-13-56	Mod. of CP (BP-8681)/for extension of completion date to 10-22-56.			
BMP-7383 (4)	10-15-56	Mod. of CP(8681)/for extension of completion date to 1-1-57.			
BR-2671	11-20-56	<u>Renewal of license</u>			12-1 12-1-59
BMP-7501 (5)	1-17-57	Mod. of CP(8681 as mod., for extension of completion date to 2-1-57.			

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BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

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Name of licensee **See card 1**

Transmitter location

Main studio location

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From- To-
BL-6528	4-9-57	1010kc	1kw, 5kw	LS U	4-9 12-1-59
	License to cover hrs of operation, install BP-8681, mod. to change power, DA-2, change type xmtr. (Condition)				
BS-2671 (1)	7-24-59	Mod. of license to change obstruction markings. (MEMO).			
BP-13502	10-30-59	1010	1kw, 5kw	LS U	12-30 6-30-60
	CP to change transmitter and studio location.				
	11-27-59	Commission deferred action on renewal pending further consideration.			
BR-2671	5-18-60	1010kc	1kw, 5kw	LS U	5-18 12-1-62
			DA-2	(Condl)	
BMP-8993 (1)	5-26-60	Mod. of CP(BP-13502) for extension of completion date to 8-1-60.			
BMP-9069 (2)	8-1-60	Extension of completion date to 12-31-60			
BMP-9242 (3)	2-13-61	Mod. of CP (BP-13502) for extension of completion date to 7-1-61.			
BMP-9602 (4)	7-31-61	Mod. CP(BP-13,502) for extension completion date to 1-1-62.			
BMP-10020 BMP-10042 (COND'L)	7-27-62	1010kc	1kw-5kw	LS DA-2 Un	12-30-59 12-31-62
	Mod of CP(BP-13502 as mod which auth chg trans and studio loc) to chg type trans (COMPOSITE), make chgs in DA system (incr hgt and top load), extend completion date to 12-31-62				
	11-28-62	Commission deferred action on renewal pending further consideration.			
BMP-10728 (1)	1-29-63	Mod. of CP(BP-13,502 as mod.) for extension of completion date to 6-30-63.			
BMP-10,661	3-8-63	1010kc	1kw-5kw	LS DA-2	6-30-63
	Mod. of CP(BP-13502 as mod) to make chgs in ant-sys. (incr. height).				(COND'L)
BR-2671	3-29-63	Renewal of license			3-29 12-1-65
BMP-10,955 (1)	8-7-63	Mod of CP (BP-13,502 as mod) to extend completion date to 9-30-63			

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Station location

Name of licensee See Card #1

Transmitter location

Main studio location

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Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From To
BMP-11047 (2)	11-6-63	Mod. of CP(BP-13,502) for extension of completion date to 12-15-63.			
BL-10,742	2-4-65	1010	1kw-5kw-LS DA-2	U	2-4 12-1-65
		Lic to cover CP(BP-13,502 as mod) which auth change directional antenna system change type trans.; and change trans. and studio location.			
BR-2671	11-15-65	Renewal of license			12-1 12-1-68
NDEA	12-20-67	NATIONAL DEFENSE EMERGENCY AUTHORIZATION			
Wire	4-11-68	Auth. suspend nite oper. thru 7-10-68.			
BAL-6392 EFF.	6-28-68 6-29-68	Invol. AL			
Resumed operation July 9, 1968 by tele. 7-12-68.					
BP-18343 FORFEITED	10-16-68	1010kc	1kw, 5kw-DA-2 Aux.		6-16-69
	CP to install former main trans. at main trans. loc., to be oper. on 1010kc, 1kw, 5kw-DA-2, for aux. purposes only.				
BR-2671(L)	11-29-68	Renewal of License & NDEA			12-1-71
BP-18544	5-6-69	1010kc	1kw-DA-2 Main-N Aux.-D		1-6-70
	CP to install a new trans. at main trans. loc., as a main night and aux. day, to be oper. on 1010kc, 1kw, DA-2.				
BAPL-390	6-8-70	VOL. AL & CP		EFF: 6-10-70	
BL-12,712(L)	8-31-70	Lic. (BP-18,544) Aux.			12-1-71
BL-12,712(L)	8-31-70	Mod. lic. (MAIN) re: Night & Day transmitters			12-1-71
WIRE	8-23-71	Trans. Gates BC-10P, installed and operating			
BR-2671(L)	11-26-71	Renewal of License & NDEA (Main & Auxiliary)			12-1-74
EBSA	5-25-72				
BR-2671(L)	11-18-74	RENEWAL (MAIN & AUX.)			12-1-77

BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

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Station location DELANO, CALIFORNIA

Name of licensee JEAN GOSS JOHNES

Transmitter location SEE CARD #1

Main studio location _____

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From- To-
BR-2671	11-30-77	(L) RENEWAL OF LICENSE MAIN & AUX.			12-1-80
BAL790927GW	10-18-79	VOL. AU		EFF:	11-1-79
CWTEL	10-18-79	Stnt. rd	sample	system	
BR800731UU(L) BZ790927AB	11-28-80	Renewal & Mod.			12-1-83

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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Letters NewName Charles Herman Johnes
(P.O. - 1223 Princeton Street, Delano, Calif.)

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BP-7066 Rec'd Filed	1-6-49 1-10-49 1-10-49	Construction Permit for a new standard broadcast station to be operated on: Frequency - 1010 kc Power - 1kw Hours of operation - Daytime Trans. location - To be determined Delano, Calif. Studio location - To be determined Delano, Calif.	Granted subj. filing MP for approval T site and antenna & submit data showing that proposed T complies with Sec. 3.46 & permittee accept such interference as may result from opr. proposed in appl. of C. Thomas Patten (File No. BP-437) if appl. is granted.	8-31-49
PETITION FOR RECONSIDERATION OR REHEARING filed 9-13-49 by Attys. Hogan & Hartson, for Station KARM, Fresno, Calif. PROTEST by Charles Herman Johnes recd. 9-27-49 against above petition 1 copy of letter submitted. Ltr. written 9-28-49 asking for add'l 14 copies and affidavit. -Received 10-13-49.			Ltr. 9-7-49 ORDER ISSUED 9-20-50 modifying grant to include this condition. That applicant accept interference in event of grant of KARM (EP-3784).	

Transmitter - Composite

Atty. - None

Engr. - None

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Letters KCHJName CHARLES HERMAN JOHNES

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BMP-4810 Rec'd Filed	9-27-49 10-3-49 10-3-49	Mod. of C.P. (BP-7066, which authorized a new standard broadcast station) for approval of antenna and transmitter location as Hiett Ave. 1/2 mile north of Cecil Ave., Delano, California.	GRANTED	10-6-50
AMENDED Recd. Filed	10-20-49 10-24-49 10-24-49	AMENDED to change transmitter location (geog. coords. only)	Subj. blanketing clause; before program tests permittee required to submit data showing T capable operation accord requirements Sec.12 and Sec.3.46; any spurious radiations derived from cross-mod. shall be eliminated by KCHJ; permittee accept interference as may result from operation proposed in BP-4876;	
AMENDED Recd. Filed	4-18-50 4-20-50 4-20-50	AMENDED to make changes in antenna and change transmitter location from Hiatt Ave. 1/2 mile north of Cecil Ave., Delano, California, to On Tulare-Kern County Line Road 1/2 mile west of Hiatt Avenue, Delano, California, and specify studio location as: On County Line Road 1/2 mile west of Hiatt Ave., Delano, California.	permittee accept interference that may result in event of grant of appli. BP-3784. Waiver 3.30(a).	

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Letters K.C.H.J.Name CHARLES HERMAN JOHNS

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BMP-5551 Rec'd Filed	4-24-51 4-26-51 4-26-51	Modification of construction permit (BP-7066, as modified, which authorized a new standard broadcast station) for extension of completion date from 6-6-51 to 12-6-51.	GRANTED Same conditions as on BMP-4810.	5-8-51
BL-4606 Rec'd Filed	11-19-51 11-21-51 11-21-51	License to cover construction permit (BP-7066, as modified) which authorized a new standard broadcast station.	GRANTED Cond'l re blanketing; spurious radiations; and accept. interf. from KARM BP-3784, if granted	12-18-51
BP-8681 Rec'd Filed AMENDED Rec'd Filed	11-26-52 11-28-52 11-28-52 7-28-53 7-22-53 7-22-53	Construction permit to change hours of operation from daytime to unlimited; change power from 1kw daytime to 1kw night, 5kw, daytime; change type of transmitter (Composite); xxxx install DA for day and night use (DA-2) and change transmitter location (coordinates only). AMENDED to make changes in DA system.	GRANTED Cond'l re compliance of trans. for 5kw operation - phase monitor; DA and non-DA proof; accept interference from KARM and KLAS.	12-22-54

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File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BR-2671 Rec'd Filed	9-1-53 9-8-53 9-8-53	Renewal of License	GRANTED	11-25-53
		Station now represented by Leo Resnick Letter dated 3-26-54		
BMP-6927 Rec'd Filed	8-1-55 8-3-55 8-3-55	Modification of construction permit (EP-8681, which authorized change hours of operation, change power, type of transmitter and install DA-2) for extension of completion date from 8-22-55 to 2-22-56.	GRANTED	8-11-55
BMP-7102 Rec'd Filed	1-20-56 1-23-56 1-23-56	Modification of construction permit (EP-8681, as mod., which auth. change hours of operation, change power, type of transmitter and install DA-2) for extension of completion date from 2-22-56 to 7-22-56.	GRANTED	2-14-56

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Name CHARLES HERMAN JOHNES

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BMP-7277 Rec'd Filed	6-20-56 6-22-56 6-22-56	Modification of construction permit (BP-8681 as mod., which auth, change hours of operation change power, type of transmitter and install DA-2) for extension of completion date from 7-22-56 to 1-1-57.	GRANTED	7-13-56 Extended to 10-22-56
BMP-7383 Rec'd Filed	9-24-56 9-26-56 9-26-56	Modification of construction permit (BP-8681, as mod., which auth. change hours of operation, change power, type of transmitter and install DA-2) for extension of completion date from 10-22-56 to 1-1-57.	GRANTED	10-15-56
BR-2671 Rec'd Rec'd	9-22-56 9-26-56 9-26-56	Renewal of license	GRANTED	11-20-56

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File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BMP-7501 Rec'd Filed	12-19-56 12-21-56 12-21-56	Modification of construction permit (BP-8681 as mod., which authorized change hours of operation, change power, type of transmitter and install DA-2) for extension of completion date from 1-1-57 <u>to</u> 2-1-57.	GRANTED	1-17-57
BL-6528 Rec'd Filed	1-23-57 1-31-57 1-31-57	License to cover Construction Permit (BP-8681 as mod.,) which authorized change in power, change hours of operation, install DA-2 and change type transmitter.	GRANTED Condi: accept such interference as may be caused by prop. oper. KARM (BP-3782)	4-9-57
BR-2671 Rec'd & Filed	9-1-59 9-8-59	Renewal of license.	GRANTED	5-18-60

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Letters K C H JName CHARLES HERMAN JOHNES

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BP-13502 R & F	9-8-59 9-25-59	Construction Permit to change transmitter and studio location from Tulare-Kern County Line Road, West of Delano, California to 0.5 mi. south of Avenue 16, 3 mi. west of Road 136, near Delano, California	GRANTED	10-30-59
BP-13502 R & F	5-9-60 5-11-60	Modification of C. P. (BP-13502 which authorized change in transmitter and studio location) for extension of completion date from 6-30-60 to _____.	GRANTED to	5-26-60 8-1-60
BP-13502 R & F	7-13-60 7-21-60	Modification of C. P. (BP-13502 as modified which authorized a change in transmitter & studio location) for extension of completion date from 6-1-60 to <u>12-31-60</u> .	GRANTED	8-4-60

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Letters K.C.H.J.Name Charles Harman Johns
Delano, California

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BMP-9242 R & F	12-12-60 12-15-60	Modification of C. P. (BP-13502 as modified, which auth chg. in transmitter and studio location) for extension of completion date from 12-31-60 to 8-31-61.	GRANTED	2-13-61 to July 1, 1961
BMP-9602 R&F	6-29-61 7-3-61	Mod of C.P. (BP-13502 as mod which auth chg in trans and studio location) for extension of completion date from 7-1-61 to 6-30-62.	GRANTED	7-31-61 to 1-1-62.
BMP-10,020 R&F	12-15-61 12-19-61	Mod of CP (BP-13502 as mod which auth chg trans and studio loc) to chg type trans (RCA ET-4750 modified).	GRANTED	7-27-62 with BMP-10042
BMP-10,042 R&F	12-28-61 1-2-62	Mod of CP (BP-13502 as mod which auth chg trans and studio loc) for extension of completion date from 1-1-62 to 12-31-62.	GRANTED	7-27-62 with BMP-10020
BMP-10020 AMENDMENT R & F	(cont'd) 3-27-62 4-2-62	AMENDED to make changes in DA system (incr. hght & top-load); specify trans. as COMPOSITE Engr. - Jules Cohen	COND'L re data submitted in accordance with 3.48 and 2.524 of Rules GRANTED	7-27-62 with BMP-10042

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Delano, California

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
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BR-2671 Rec'd Filed	9-17-62 9-19-62 9-19-62	Renewal of License.	GRANTED	3-29-63
BMP-10,661 R. & F.	11-9-62 11-13-62	Mod. of CP(BP-13,502 as mod., which auth. chg trans. and studio location) to make chgs in antenna system (incr. height).	GRANTED	3-8-63
See Amend. below BMP-10,728 R. & F.	12-22-62 12-31-62	Mod. of CP (BP-13,502 as mod., which auth. chg trans. and studio location) for extension of completion date from 12-31-62 to 6-30-63.	GRANTED to	1-29-63 6-30-63
BMP-10,661 Amendment R&F	Amend 1-21-63 1-25-63	AMENDMENT 1-25-63 to reduce top loading from 100 feet to 50 feet	Cond'l re: phase monitor, field meas equip; DA and non-DA proof; accept interference from KARH; data submit accord 3.48 & 2.524 of rules	

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File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BMP-10,955 R. & F.	6-28-63 7-1-63	Mod. of CP (BP-13,502 as mod., which auth. change trans. & studio loc, DA sys, antenna system & type transmitter and for extension of completion date from 6-30-63 to 9-30-63.	GRANTED	8-7-63
BMP-11,047 R & F	9-28-63 10-2-63	Mod. of CP (BP-13,502 as mod which auth chgs to trans & studio loc, DA sys, antenna system & install new trans) for ext. of completion date from 9-30-63 to 11-29-63.	GRANTED to	11-6-63 12-15-63
BMP-11,108 R. & F.	12-14-63 12-17-63	Mod. of CP (BP-13,502, as mod., which auth. change trans. & studio loc, DA sys, antenna system and for extension of completion date from 12-15-63 to 1-1-64.	DISMISSED as moot per letter	10-1-64
BL-10,742 R. & F.	12-20-63 12-31-63	License to cover construction permit (BP-13,502 as modified) which authorized change directional antenna system; change type trans.; and change trans. and studio location.	GRANTED	2-4-65

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Letters K C H JJEAN GOSS JOHNES, ADMINISTRATRIX OF THE ESTATE OF
CHARLES HERMAN JOHNESName CHARLES HERMAN JOHNES
Delano, California

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BR-2671 R & F	8-31-65 9-7-65	Renewal of license	GRANTED	11-15-65
BAL-6392 R & F #434254 \$30	5-31-68 6-6-68 6-6-68	Invol. Al to Jean Goss Johnes, Administratrix of the estate of Charles Herman Johnes. Atty: Leo Resnick	GRANTED EFF.	6-28-68 6-29-68
JUN 26 1968				
BP-18,343 R & F. #453255 \$30 Amended R. & F. Report 8407	8-20-68 8-22-68 8-22-68 10-3-68 10-7-68	CP to install former main trans(Composite) at main transmitter loc, to be oper on 1010kc, 1kw, 5kw DA-2, for auxiliary purposes only. (Re type trans.) atty-Leo Resnick enr-Jules Cohen & Assoc.	GRANTED FORFEITED Ltr. 8-26-69	10-16-68
BR-2671 R. & F. #455192	8-26-68 8-29-68 75 8-29-68	RENEWAL OF LICENSE	GRANTED	11-29-68
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JEAN GOSS JOHNES

x JEAN GOSS JOHNES, ADMINISTRATRIX OF THE ESTATE

Name OF CHARLES HERMAN JOHNESDelano, California

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BP-18,544 R. & F. #502334 \$30 APR 30 1969	3-24-69 3-27-69 3-27-69	CP to install a new transmitter (Gates BC-1G) at main trans loc, as a main night and auxiliary day trans, to be oper on 1010kc, lkw, DA-2 (two main-night transmitters). enr-Jules Cohen	GRANTED	5-6-69
<i>J. P. ...</i>	<i>7-11-70</i>	<i>SEE CARD #13</i>		
<i>...</i>	<i>6-25-70</i>			
BAPL -390 R & F FEE PD: \$75 AMENDED 1-23-70 to include BP-18544	12-26-69 1-2-70 #566976	Voluntary assignment of license and CP (BP-18544) to JEAN GOSS JOHNES Atty - Leo Resnick	GRANTED EFF:	6-8-70 6-10-70

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Delano, California

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BL-12,712 Rec'd #56591730. Amended Amended & F PTA PRESS	12-14-69 12-17-69 12-31-69 7-16-70 7-27-70 8-11-70	Lic.(BP-18,544) for new Main-Night, Aux.- Day Transmitter (GATES, BC-1G). Engr. data Engr. data-Aux.	GRANTED	8-31-70
AUG 19 1970				
BR-2671 R & F PN Recd. PRESS	8-30-71 9-1-71	RENEWAL OF LICENSE (MAIN & AUXILIARY) AMENDED 11-4-71 re: employment policy	GRANTED	11-26-71
SEP 13 1971				
BR-2671 R & F PN Recd. PRESS	7-25-74 7-29-74 "	RENEWAL OF LICENSE (MAIN & AUXILIARY) AMENDED 10-31-74 re: ascert. of comm. needs; community survey; EEO	GRANTED	11-18-74
AUG 2 1974				

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May 1976
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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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KCHJ, INCORPORATED

Name * JEAN GOSS JOHNES
Delano, California

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BR-2671 R & F PN Recd. PRESS	7-22-77 7-25-77 " AUG 3 1977	RENEWAL OF LICENSE (MAIN & AUXILIARY) AMENDED 8-9-77 re: engineering	GRANTED	11-30-77
BAL790927GW Form 316 PRESS OCT 5 1979	9-10-79 1979	Vol. AL to KCHJ, INCORPORATED Atty - Leo Resnick, Esq.	GRANTED EFF:	10-18-79 11-1-79
BZ-790927AB R & F DM PRESS JUL 30 1980	9-27-79 7-16-80 1980	DIRECT MEASUREMENT	GRANTED (Issued with renewal)	11-28-80
BR800731UU PRESS AUG 22 1980	 1980	Renewal of License	GRANTED ISSUED	11-28-80

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INFORMALS DENIED

Telegram 10-27-52 Opr. night 11-4-52 election denied

About the History Cards ...

History Cards were first used by the Department of Commerce to keep track of applications filed by, and changes to, the earliest AM broadcast stations in the early 1920s. The records were subsequently transferred to the Federal Radio Commission in 1927, and after that to the Federal Communications Commission when that agency was created in 1934. These cards gradually grew into a large card file. History Cards remained in use until the creation of the first computerized database in 1980 to track broadcast applications, the Broadcast Application Processing System (BAPS). However, the Commission did not transfer the data from the History Cards to the new system. Instead, it retained the History Cards in their original form – 3" by 5" filing cards – for reference.

In 1999, the Commission moved to a new location (445 12th Street SW), and also at that time created the successor database to BAPS, the Consolidated DataBase System (CDBS). The History Cards were transferred to microfiche by a contractor (only one set is known to exist), and the original paper cards were destroyed. The History Cards were stored on the microfiche as negative images, like those you see above. Generally, they have been left as negatives as those are often easier to read.

History Cards contain very brief entries and notes about station facilities, applications, and ownership. They are not, and never were intended to be, a comprehensive record of a station's operations. Nevertheless, they can be useful to help determine, for example, when a station first went on the air and its call letters at that time. History Card comments were generally typed onto the cards, and thus some records will show more faintly or with more smudging than others, depending on the quality of typewriter and ribbon then used. Occasional handwritten comments, corrections, and strikeouts may also be found. Cards may be incomplete, missing, or occasionally out of sequence.

The History Cards are presented here as they were copied to microfiche, to preserve this record for public use, and with the hope that they will be of value to future researchers of radio station history.

