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BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed 3-6-70

Call letters KNBO

Station location New Boston, Texas

Name of licensee BOWIE COUNTY BROADCASTING CO., INC.

Transmitter location On Farm Rd. 992, 0.3 mi. N. of city limits of New Boston, Texas (BP 7-9-69)

75570

Main studio location Same as transmitter (BP 7-9-69)

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

| Appl. No. | Date Issued | Freq. | Power | Time Div. | Period From To |
|----------------|--|---|-------|--------------|-------------------|
| BP-17920 | 7-9-69 | 1530kc | 1kw | Day | 3-9-70 |
| | CP for a new standard broadcast station. | | | | |
| BP-17920(1) | 9-15-69 | Call letters assigned. | | | |
| Tele. ram | 10-15-69 | PSA | 192w | Protects | WCKY |
| BMP-12800(2) | 1-5-70 | MP(BP-17920) to increase antenna height, side-mount FM antenna at top and install loss resistor. (Cond'1) | | | |
| BL-12,513 | 3-6-70 | 1530kc | 1kw | Day | 8-1-71 |
| | Lic. cover BP-17920 as mod for new stn. | | | | |
| BR-4784(S) | 7-30-71 | RENEWAL | | | 8-1-74 |
| EBSA | 6-12-72 | | | | |
| BR-4784(S) | 8-22-74 | RENEWAL | | | 8-1-77 |
| COMTEL | 2-18-77 | Obstruction marking & DELETED. | | | Lighting |
| BR-4784(L) | 7-14-77 | RENEWAL | | | 8-1-80 |
| BTC-8537 | 12-15-77 | Vol TC | EFF: | | |
| BR800317UC(S) | 7-28-80 | Renewal of License | | | 8-1-83 |
| BP-810122AL(L) | 4-13-81 | 1530khz | 1kw | DAYTIME | 4-13-82 |
| | CP to mke chg. in antenna system. | | | | |

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call
Letters new KNBOName Bowie County Broadcasting Co., Inc.
New Boston, Texas (P.O. Box 366, New Boston, Texas 75570)

| File No. | Dated | Application for | Action | |
|-----------------------------|-------------------------------|---|---------|--------|
| | | | Nature | Date |
| BP-17,920 Rec'd Filed | 9-23-67 9-26-67 9-26-67 | CP for a new standard broadcast station to be operated on Frequency: 1530kc Power: 1kw Hours: Daytime Trans: Gates BC-1G Trans loc: On Farm Road 992, 0.3 mi. N of city limits of New Boston, Texas. Studio loc: Same as transmitter atty-Jones and Baker enr-Merl Saxon, Lufkin, Texas (Preliminary examination indicates this proposal is mutually exclusive with BP-17,845) JOINT PETITION FOR APPROVAL OF AGREEMENT AND FOR OTHER RELIEF filed 2-24-69 by Russell Howell for New Boston Beng. Co. and Philip Baker for Bowie County Beng. Co., Inc. | GRANTED | 7-9-69 |

CONTACT: MR. ANDREW BONHAM

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ADDRESS: 106 WEST NORTH FRONT
NEW BOSTON, TEXAS

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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LettersName FOWIE COUNTY BROADCASTING CO., INC.
NEW BOSTON, TEXAS

| File No. | Dated | Application for | Action | |
|--|--|---|--|---------|
| | | | Nature | Date |
| EP-12,800 R & F \$30 #540743 | 9-5-69 9-8-69 9-8-69 NOT 14 1969 | MP (EP-17920 for new stn) to increase antenna height, side-mount FM antenna at top and install loss resistor. Boss Prescott, Atty. Saxon, Engr. | GRANTED Cond'l re: Before pro test operation may be authorized. | 1-5-70 |
| BL-12,513 R & F #546864 \$30. PTA AMENDMENT FEB 26 1970 | 10-4-69 10-6-69 10-6-69 10-15-69 1-15-70 | Lic.(BP-17920 as mod.) for new station. Atty: Philip M. Baker Engineering | GRANTED | 3-6-70 |
| BR-4784 R & F PN Recd. PRESS JUN 14 1971 | 4-26-71 4-28-71 " | RENEWAL OF LICENSE AMENDED 7-6-71 re: equal employment policy AMENDED 7-16-71 re: programming | GRANTED | 7-30-71 |

6-23-71 Lt & Sec.6 mailed

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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Letters KNBO

Name BOWIE COUNTY BROADCASTING CO., INC.
NEW BOSTON, TEXAS

| File No. | Dated | Application for | Action | |
|---|--|---|---|-------------------------------------|
| | | | Nature | Date |
| BR-4784 R & F PN Recd. PRESS MAY 2 1974 | 4-19-74 4-26-74 " | RENEWAL OF LICENSE AMENDED 7-30-74 re: composition of area: programming | GRANTED | 8-22-74 |
| BR-4784 R & F PN Recd. PRESS APR 26 1977 | 3-21-77 3-25-77 " | RENEWAL OF LICENSE AMENDED 6-17-77 re: programming | GRANTED | 7-14-77 |
| BTC -8537 Rec'd FORM 316 Resub. & F DEC 1 1977 | 10/7/77 10/11/77 12/12/77 | Voluntary transfer of control of lic corp from Richard E. Knox, Tip F. Jones, Andrew Bonham, et al(6 original stockholders) to Richard E. Knox | RETURNED FORM 315 NECESSARY GRANTED EFF: | 11/25/77 12-15-77 |
| BR800317UC PRESS APR 29 1980 | | Renewal of License AMENDED 7-14-80 re: ascert. of comm. needs & problems | GRANTED | 7-28-80 |

6-27-74 Engr. called for Trans.Logs.

APPLICATION RECORD-BROADCASTING

1530KHz.

Call Letters: K N B O

Name: BOWIE COUNTY BROADCASTING CO., INC.

Station Location: NEW BOSTON, TEXAS

| File No. | Date | Description | Action and Date |
|-----------------------------|---------|---|--------------------------|
| BP810122AL PRESS (O) MAR | 16 1981 | CP to make chgs. in Ant. Sys. (Incre. Hght. of Tower to Accomodate FM Antenna). | GRANTED 4-13-81 Con'd |

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.

