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BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

5-5-69, Authority granted "on-the-air" identification as Chicopee-Springfield.

Date first licensed 2-21-47

Call letters WAGE

STATION LOCATION: CHICOPEE, MASS.

ACE BROADCASTING COMPANY, INC. (AL 11-25-77 EFF: 1-4-78 CONSUM: 1-1-78)
x TELE MEASUREMENTS, INCORPORATED (PAL-1-20-64 EFF: 2-17-64)

* COMMONWEALTH BROADCASTING CORP., (AL 9-7-60; EFF: 12-31-60)

Name of licensee x REGIONAL BROADCASTING COMPANY

326 Chicopee St., between Chicopee St. and the Conn. River
opposite El Mer Drive, Chicopee, Massachusetts. (ren. appl. 7-25-52)
x Between Chicopee St. & the Conn. River, Opposite Meetinghouse Road,
Chicopee, Mass. (CP 3-20-46)

Transmitter location

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326 Chicopee St., between Chicopee St. and the Conn. River
opposite El Mer Drive, Chicopee, Mass. (ren. appl. 7-25-52)
x 326 Chicopee Street, Chicopee, Mass. (Lic. 2-21-47)
x to be determined, Chicopee, Mass. (CP 3-20-46)

Main studio location

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From- To-	
P-4408	3-20-46	730	1kw	Daytime	5-20 11-20-46	
	C.P. for new Station			(Conditional Clause)		
Bl-MP-2240	11-12-46	Mod. of C.P. (4408) for extension of completion date			5-20 12-20-47	
	(Conditional Clause)					
BTC-532	3-27-47	Transfer of Control <u>from</u> David J. Hayes and John S. Begley <u>to</u> John S. Begley				
	EFF: 4-10-47					
Bl-L-2176	2-21-47	730	1kw	Daytime	1-21 11-1-49	
Bl-Z-1990	Lic. to cover CP (4408 as mod.) for new station specify S location and determine operating power by direct method			(Cond'l. Clause)		
BR-1404	10-21-49	730	1kw	Daytime	11-1 11-1-52	
Tele.	3-20-51	Temp. permission granted eff. 3-20-51 thru 4-20-51 to use lower class operator.				
BR-1404	10-15-52	730kc	1kw	Daytime	11-1 4-1-54	
	(Cond'l Clause)					
Telegram	3-31-54	Action on renewal deferred 3-31-54 and continued operation with, until final determination on renewal.				
BR-1404	4-21-54	Renewal of license			4-21	4-1-57
BP-10323	2-14-56	730kc	1kw	Day	4-14-56 10-14-56	
	CP to install new transmitter					
BL-6113 (1)	4-20-56	Lic. to cover CP (BP-10,323) to install a new transmitter.				
BR-1404	3-20-57	730kc	1kw	D	4-1 4-1-60	
	3-30-60	Commission deferred action on renewal pending further consideration.				
BR-1404	6/29/60	RENEWAL OF LICENSE			6/29	4/1/63
BTC-3510	9-7-60	Vol. transfer of control of licensee corporation from John S. Begley, David V. Hayes, Martin Richard Hayes, Catherine Hayes Toomey and Richard P. Hayes to Commonwealth Broadcasting Corp.				
	EFF: 10-20-60					
BAL-3973	9-7-60	Voluntary assignment of license to Commonwealth Broadcasting Corp.				
	EFF: 12-31-60					
	(CONTINGENT ON GRANT OF BTC-3510)					

Form BC 126 #2
June 1954

BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed

Call letters W A C E

Station location Chicopee, Mass.

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
BTC-3629 EFF:	12-30-60 2-13-61	Voluntary transfer of control of Commonwealth Broadcasting Corp. parent corporation of licensee corporation from Paul Smullen, Lazar Emanuel and Blair Walliser to Communications Industries Corp.			
BP-12,907 (Cond'l)	3-7-62	730kc	5kw	Daytime 6-7	11-7-62
	Construction permit to increase power and install new transmitter				
BMP-10,289 (1)	6-6-62	Mod. of CP(BP-12907 which auth. inc. power and install new trans.) to chg. type transmitter (ITA, 5000A)			
BL-9540	10-22-62	730kc	5kw	Day	10-22 4-1-66
	Lic. to cover CP (BP-12,907 as mod) which auth. incr. power and instl. new trans.				
BR-1404	3-26-63	Renewal of license			4-1 4-1-66
BAL-4918 EFF	1-20-64 2-17-64	Voluntary assignment of license to Tele Measurements, Incorporated			
BL-10,552	6-30-64	730kc	1kw	Aux	6-30 4-1-66
	Lic to use old main trans (RCA-BTA-1M) at present loc of main trans, to be operated on: 730kc, 1kw, for Auxiliary Purposes Only.				
BL-5667	2-21-66	730kc	5kw	Day	2-21 4-1-66
	Auth. to determine operating power by direct meas. of antenna power. (MAIN)				
BR-1404	3-25-66	Renewal Of License (Main & Auxiliary)			4-1 4-1 -69
Per letter	8/1/66	License for auxiliary cancelled.			
BL-11,463	12-7-66	730kc	1kw	Aux	12-7 4-1-69
	Lic to use former main trans RCA BTA-1M at main trans loc. as an aux. trnas to be operated on 730kc 1kw for aux. purposes only.				
BR-1404 (S)	5-19-69	Renewal OF Main & AUX			4-1-72
COMTEL	12-1-70	PSA	85 watts		

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BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed

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Station location

Name of licensee

Transmitter location

Main studio location

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From- To
BR-1404(S)	5-10-72	Renewal of Main & Aux.			4-1-75
EBSA	6-12-72				
BR-1404(L)	5-8-75	RENEWAL (MAIN & AUX.)			4-1-78
BAL-9147	11-25-77	Vol. AL		EFB: 1-4-78	CONS: 1-1-78
BR-1404	3-21-76	(L) REN. OF LIC. MAIN & AUX.			4-1-81

RCA BTA-1L transmitter

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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Letters

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Name REGIONAL BROADCASTING COMPANY

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
B1-MP-2240	11-1-46	Modification of Construction permit (B1-P-4408, which authorized a new standard broadcast station) for extension of completion date from 11-30-46 to 12-30-46. Maurice M. Jansky, Att'y	GRANTED	11-12-46 subj. to the express condition that permittee shall satisfy legitimate complaints of blanketing within the 250 mv/m contour, including external cross modulation.
Rec'd	11-4-46			
Filed	11-4-46			

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File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
B1-L-2176 Rec'd Filed	11-29-46 11-29-46 11-29-46	License to cover C.P. (B1-P-4408, as mod.,) which authorized a new standard broadcast station and to specify studio location at 326 Chicopee Street, Chicopee, Massachusetts, and	GRANTED (Conditional re waiver 3.60 and subject to blanketing)	2-21-47
B1-Z-1990 Rec'd Filed	11-29-46 11-29-46 11-29-46	Authority to determine operating power by direct measurement of antenna power. (Maurice M. Jansky, Atty. Richard K. Blackburn, Engr.)		

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BTC-532 Rec'd Filed	2-10-47 2-11-47 2-11-47	Acquisition of control of licensee corporation thru sale of 200 shares of common stock-33 1/3% from David J. Hayes and John S. Begley to John S. Begley. (Filed by Maurice M. Jansky, Atty.)	GRANTED EFF	3-27-47 4-10-47
BR-1404 Rec'd	8-29-49 9-1-49	Renewal of license. (Filed by Maurice M. Jansky, Atty.)	GRANTED	10-21-49
BSSA-229 Rec'd Filed	10-21-49 10-24-49 10-24-49	Special Service Authorization to operate unlimited time with power of 1kw employing directional antenna night. Maurice M. Jansky, Atty. Commercial Radio, Engle.	DENIED MEMO OPINION AND ORDER ISSUED	3-6-50

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BR-1404 Rec'd Filed	7-23-52 7-25-52 7-25-52	Renewal of license Maurice M. Jansky, Atty.	GRANTED	10-15-52
BR-1404 Rec'd Filed	12-28-53 1-4-54 1-4-54	Renewal of License Filed by Maurice M. Jansky, Atty.	Granted	4-21-54
BP-10,323 Rec'd Filed	1-23-56 1-26-56 1-26-56	Construction permit to install a new transmitter (RCA BTA 1M).	GRANTED	2-14-56
BL-6113 Rec'd Filed	3-27-56 3-28-56 3-28-56	License to cover construction permit (BP-10,323) which authorized the installation of a new transmitter.	GRANTED	4-20-56
BR-1404 Rec'd Filed	12-29-56 1-9-57 1-9-57	Renewal of license Maurice M. Jansky, Atty	GRANTED	3-20-57

FORM BC-121 #6
AUG. 1955

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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Letters WACE

Name REGIONAL BROADCASTING COMPANY

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BP-11,631 Rec'd Filed	9-23-57 10-9-57 10-9-57	Construction permit to increase power from 1kw <u>to</u> 5kw and install new transmitter. (RCA BTA 5H) Atty. - Loucks, Zias, Young & Jansky Engr. - Jansky & Bailey, Inc.	DISMISSED Request of applicant's Attorney	3-7-58
BP-12,907 Rec'd Filed	3-3-59 3-11-59 3-11-59	Construction Permit to increase power from 1kw <u>to</u> 5kw and install a new transmitter (RCA-BTA-5H) Atty.- Loucks, Zias & Jansky Engr.- Jansky & Bailey, Inc.	GRANTED (Cond'l re accept interference BP-8027 WTAO)	3-7-62
SEE CARD #8 FOR AMENDMENT				
BR-1404 Rec'd Filed	12-31-59 12-31-59 12-31-59	Renewal of license Maurice H. Jansky, Atty.	GRANTED	6-29-60

FORM BC-121 #7
AUG. 1955

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters WACE

Name REGIONAL BROADCASTING COMPANY

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BTC-3510 Rec'd Filed	8-5-60 8-11-60 8-11-60	Voluntary transfer of control of licensee corporation from John S. Begley, David V. Hayes, Martin Richard Hayes, Catherine Hayes Toomey and Richard P. Hayes to Commonwealth Broadcasting Corp. Fly, Shuebruk, Blume & Gaguine, Attys. for Transferor <u>Maurice M. Jansky, Atty. for Transferee</u>	GRANTED EFF:	9-7-60 10-20-60
BAL-3973 Rec'd Filed	8-5-60 8-11-60 8-11-60	Voluntary assignment of license to Commonwealth Broadcasting Corp. (CONTINGENT ON GRANT OF BTC-3510) <u>Maurice M. Jansky, Atty.</u>	GRANTED EFF:	9-7-60 12-31-60
BTC-3629 Rec'd Filed	12-9-60 12-13-60 12-13-60	Voluntary transfer of control of Commonwealth Broadcasting Corp., parent corporation of licensee corporation from Paul Smallen, Lazar Emanuel and Blair Walliser to Communications Industries Corp. <u>Lauren A. Colby, Atty.</u>	GRANTED EFF:	12-30-60 2-13-61

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

AUG. 1955

Call
Letters W A C EName COMMONWEALTH BROADCASTING CORP.
Chicopee, Massachusetts

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BP-12,907 AMENDMENT R & F	(cont') 12-31-60 1-23-61	AMENDED to change applicant name to Commonwealth Broadcasting Corp. (BAL-3973 & BTC-3510 gr 9-7-60) Atty. - Fly, Shuebruk, Blume & Gaguine AMENDED to reflect BTC-3629 gr 12-30-60 AMENDED to change type transmitter (RCA BTA 5B) Engr. - Comm. Radio Equip. Co	(SEE CARD NO-6) granted	3-7-62 CONDL
AMENDMENT R & F AMENDMENT R & F	6-5-61 6-8-61 6-5-61 6-12-61			
BMP-10289 R.&F.	4-27-62 5-4-62	Mod. of CP (BP-12,907 which auth. inc. power & install new transmitter) to chg. type transmitter (ITA 5000A). Attys-Fly, Shuebruk, Blume and Gaguine	GRANTED	6-6-62

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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Call
Letters W.A.C.E.

TELE MEASUREMENTS, INCORPORATED

Name COMMONWEALTH BROADCASTING CORP.
Chicopee, Massachusetts

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BL-9540 R. & F. (SAME NO. ASSIGNED TO K R A Z)	7-6-62 7-9-62	Lic. to cov. CP (BP12,907, as mod.) which auth. an incr. in power and install new trans.	GRANTED	10-22-62
BR-1404 R & F	12-28-62 1-2-63	Renewal of Licensee. Atty: Fly, Shuebruk, Blume & Gaguine	GRANTED	3-26-63
BAL-4918 R. & F.	9-25-63 9-27-63	Voluntary assignment of license to TELE MEASUREMENTS, INCORPORATED. Atty- Fly, Shuebruk, Blume and Gaguine	GRANTED EFF	1-20-64 2-17-64
BL-10,552 R. & F.	3-11-64 3-12-64	Lic to use old main trans (RCA-BTA-IM) at present loc of main trans, to be operated on: 730kc, 1kw, Daytime, for Auxiliary Purposes ONLY.	GRANTED	5-30-64
Ltr dated 7-20-65 from		Fly, Shuebruk etc - no longer represent station		

FORM BC-121 #10
AUG. 1955

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters W A C E

Name TELE MEASUREMENTS, INCORPORATED
Chicopee, Mass.

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BZ-5867 R & F	12/23/65 1/11/66	Authority to determine operating power by direct measurement of antenna power. Attys: Smith & Pepper (Main)	GRANTED	2-22-66
BR-1404 R & F	2-10-66 2-15-66	Renewal of license (Main) Atty- Smith & Pepper (Thomas W. Fletcher)	GRANTED	3-25-66
BR-1404 Rec'd Filed	2-10-66 2-15-66 2-21-66	Renewal of license (Auxiliary)		
BZ- Rec'd Resub.	2/14/66 7/13/66	Auth. to determine operating power by direct meas. of antenna power. (Aux.)	RETURNED: 4/1/66 Section incomplete RETURNED: 7/14/66 Section I incomplete	

FORM BC-121 #11
AUG. 1955

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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Letters W A C E

Name TELE MEASUREMENTS, INCORPORATED
Chicopee, Massachusetts

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BL-11,463 R & F	9/23/66 9/26/66	Lic. to use former main trans. RCA-BTA-LM, at main trans. loc. as an auxiliary trans. to be operated on 730kc 1kw for aux. purposes only. Atty: T. W. Fletcher	GRANTED	12-7-66
BR-1404 R & F #481416 \$105 PRES FEB 1 1969	12-27-68 1-2-69 1-2-69 1969	Renewal of license---(Main & Auxiliary) AMENDED 3-11-69 re: Programming AMENDED 3-26-69 re: Balance Sheet Atty. Thomas W. Fletcher AMENDED 4-30-69 re: commercial practices	GRANTED	5-19-69
BR-1404 R & F P.N. PRES FEB 1 1972	12-27-71 1-3-72 1-3-72	Renewal of License (Main & Auxiliary) Atty: Thomas W. Fletcher (Cole, Zylstra & Raywid) AMENDED 3-27-72 re: community survey AMENDED 5-1-72 re: community survey	GRANTED	5-10-72

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

730 kc

Call
Letters W A C E

Name ACE BROADCASTING COMPANY, INC.
xTELE MEASUREMENTS, INCORPORATED
CHICOPEE, MASSACHUSETTS

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BR-1404 R & F PN Recd. PRESS	11-26-74 12-2-74 DEC 18 1974	RENEWAL OF LICENSE (MAIN & AUXILIARY) Thos. W. Fletcher, Atty. AMENDED 4-28-75 re: EEO	GRANTED	5-8-75
BAL-9147 R & F FORM 314	9-19-77 9-22-77 OCT 11 1977	Voluntary assignment of license to ACE BROADCASTING COMPANY, INC. (SEE OVER) Atty for assignor - T.W. Fletcher for assignee - Haley, Bader & Potts	GRANTED EFF: CONSUM:	11-25-77 1-4-78 1-1-78
BR-1404 R & F PN PRESS	11-23-77 11-28-77 " " DEC 12 1977	Renewal of license (Main & Auxiliary) Atty- Thomas W. Fletcher AMENDED 3-7-78 to change name of applicant to "AEE Broadcasting Company, Inc."	GRANTED	3-21-76

RE: BAL-9147 - Sec. VI not filed(assignee)

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APPLICATION RECORD-BROADCASTING

730kc.

Call Letters: WACE

Name: ACE BROADCASTING COMPANY, INC.

Station Location: CHICOPEE, MASSACHUSETTS

File No.	Date	Description	Action and Date
BR-501201VL PRESS	JAN 10 1981	RENEWAL OF LICENST Atty. Michael H. Bader	PSW 3/30/81

RECORD OF APPLICATIONS REQUESTING FACILITIES OF BROADCASTING STATION WAGB

Licensee XREGIONAL BROADCASTING COMPANY

File No.	Date	Call Letters	Name and Location of Applicant	Remarks	Disposition

RECORD OF DENIAL OF STA's

W A C E

Telegram 8-29-55 - Denied authority operate add'l hours
on 9-1-55 for red ~~XXX~~ cross

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.

