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Form BC 126 4004
June 1954

BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed 10-27-61

Call letters W A B F

Station location Fairhope, Alabama

BEE CEE BROADCASTING, INCORPORATED (AL 5-30-78 EFF: 6-29-78)

EASTERN SHORE BROADCASTERS, INC. (BMP 10-27-61)

Name of licensee PRICE BROADCASTING CORPORATION, INC.

Transmitter location NW Corner of Pecan St. and Section St., Fairhope, Alabama (BP 12-21-60)

Main studio location NW Corner of Pecan St. and Section St., Fairhope, Alabama (BP 12-21-60)

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From- To
BP-12654	12-21-60	1220	1kw-DA-Day	2-21	8-21-61
		CP for a new standard broadcast station (Cond'1)			
BP-12654 (1)	2-9-61	Mod. of CP(BP-12654) to assign Call Letters.			
BTC-3702 EFF:	4-26-61 5-1-61	Voluntary transfer of control of permit corporation from George K. Noland and 7 other stockholders to J. Dige Bishop			
BP-12654 (2)	5-10-61	Mod. of CP(BP-12654) to show the spacing between towers to be 134.5'.			
BMP-9598 (3)	7-28-61	Mod. of CP(BP-12654) for extension of completion date to 9-10-61.			
BL-8648	10-27-61	1220kc	1kw-DA--	Day	10-27 4-1-64
		Lic. to cover CP(BP-12654) as mod. for a new standard broadcast station.			
BMP-9833 (4)	10-27-61	Mod. of CP(BP-12654 as mod.) to change corporate name to EASTERN SHORE BROADCASTERS, INC.			
BR-4004	3-13-64	Renewal of license			4-1 4-1-67
BS-4004 (1)	110-28-66	Mod. of lic to make chgs in type of elements, chg vail points of MP (Memo			
		1220kc	1kw	DA Day	
BR-4004	3-29-67	Renewal of License			4-1 4-1-70
BR-4004	3-29-67	Superseding authorization to delete condition re accept interference Class IV Stations.			
BS-4004 (1)	12-26-67	Memo. Correct antenna height above insulators.			
BR-4004(L)	4-1-70	Renewal			4-1-73
BTC-6179	6-3-70	VOL. TC	EFF: 6-5-70		
BR-4004(L)	4-1-70	Superseding Authorization to correct November sign-off time.			
BS-4004(L)	3-30-71	Mod. of lic. to correct sunrise & sunset times. (recalculated)			
Contel	4-23-71	PSA	63W		
EBSA	6-12-72				
BR-4004(S)	3-30-73	RENEWAL OF LICENSE			4-1-76

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Name of licensee SEE CARD #1

Transmitter location SEE CARD #1

Main studio location SEE CARD #1

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From - To
BR-4004(L)	7-30-76		RENEWAL		4-1-79
BAL-9345	5-30-78	VOL. AL	6-29-78		- - - -
BTC800221EL	3-7-80	VOL. TC	EFF:		3-20-80
BR781201VP	5-25-79	RENEWAL OF LICENSE			4-1-82

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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Letters NEW W A B FName PRICE BROADCASTING CORPORATION, INC.
(P.O. Box 1317, Fairhope, Alabama)

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BP-12,654 Rec'd Filed	12-4-58	Construction permit for a new standard broadcast station to be operated on: Frequency - 1220kc Power - 1kw-DA-D Hours of operation - Daytime Trans. location - NW Corner of Pecan St. & Section ST., Fairhope, Alabama Studio location - Same as transmitter John Mullaney, Engr.	GRANTED	12-21-60
	12-8-58		Cond'l res: Phase Mon., Field meas. equip. & complete non-DA proof. Permittee shall accept such interference. After Hearing	
	12-8-58		Docket No. 13520 Order Issued.	
BTC- 3702 Rec'd Resub. Rec'd Filed	2-16-61	Voluntary transfer of control of permittee corporation from George K. Nolan and 7 other stockholders to J. Dige Bishop. Harry J. Daly, Atty.	RETURNED	3-3-61
	2-28-61		Purchase-agreement-dated after-application.	
	3-10-61		GRANTED	4-26-61
	3-13-61		EFF:	5-1-61

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EASTERN SHORE BROADCASTERS, INC.

Name: Price Broadcasting Corporation, Inc.

Fairhope, Alabama

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BMP-9598 R&F	7-7-61 7-10-61	Mod of C.P.(BP-12654 which auth anew B/C station) for extension of completion date from 8-21-61 to 8-30-61.	GRANTED to 9-10-61	7-28-61
BL-8648 R & F	7-26-61 7-31-61	Lic. to cover CP(BP-12654) as mod. for a new standard broadcast station.	GRANTED	10-27-61
BMP-9833 R&F	9-25-61 10-2-61	Mod of CP (BP-12654 as mod which auth a new standard broadcast station) to change corporate name from Price Broadcasting Corporation, Inc. To Eastern Shore Broadcasters, Inc.	GRANTED	10-27-61
BR-4004 R & F	11-27-63 12-2-63	Renewal of license.	GRANTED	3-13-64
BR-4004 R & F	11-25-66 11-28-66	Renewal of License	GRANTED	3-29-67

Name EASTERN SHORE BROADCASTERS, INC.
Fairhope, Alabama

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BR-4004 R & F #560754 \$75 FN PRESS JAN 20 1970	11-29-69 12-1-69 12-1-69	Renewal of license	GRANTED	4-1-70
BTG -3179 R & F FEE PD: \$105 (REFUND \$30 - not needed) aux. serv. FEB 17 1970 Also see WABF-FM	1-22-70 1-26-70 #573080 FEB 17 1970	Voluntary transfer of control of lic corp from J. Dige Bishop, Julia H. Bishop and Robert H. Cowen to J. Russell Kilgore, Sr. and Bettie F. Kilgore (SEE OVER FOR AMENDMENTS)	GRANTED EFF: 6-5-70	6-3-70 6-5-70
BR-4004 R & F PN Recd. PRESS FEB 21 1973	12-23-72 1-3-73 "	RENEWAL OF LICENSE AMENDED 3-27-73 re: ascert of comm. needs; programming; commercial policy	GRANTED	3-30-73

RE: BTC-6179 - AMENDED 5-18-70 - re comm. needs (programm

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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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BEE CEE BROADCASTING, INC. ORPORATED

Name KEASTERN SHORE BROADCASTERS, INC.
FAIRHOPE, ALABAMA

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BR-4004 R & F PN Recd. PRESS	11-29-75 12-4-75 " DEC 17 1975	RENEWAL OF LICENSE X	GRANTED	7-30-76
BAL-9345 Rec'd Filed FORM 314 PN FILED PN FILED	3/30/78 4/10/78 4-17-78 APR 25 1978 5-1-78 5-11-78	Voluntary assignment of license to BEE CEE BROADCASTING, INC * Atty - Putbrese & <u>Kennedy</u> (SEE OVER) *AMENDED 5/10/78 to reflect correct assignee's name as BEE CEE BROADCASTING, <u>INCORPORATED</u>	GRANTED EFF:	5-30-78 6-29-78
BR781201VP PRESS JAN	26 1979	Renewal of License Joseph V. Vasapoli, Atty.	915 GRANTED	25-79 5-25-79

RE: BAL - ~~775~~ Cert of Articles & by laws filed 4-17-78
NOTED thruout applic "Incorporated" is spelled out but
on Certification of Art (Probate Court) is shown as "Inc"
AMENDED 5-11-78 re: correction of name (corrected Court
Order filed)
AMENDED 5-19-78 - Guarantees re loans
AMENDED 5-25-78- financial data (assignor)

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Name: BEE CEE BROADCASTING, INCORPORATED

Station Location: Fairhope, Alabama

File No.	Date	Description	Action and Date
BTC800221EL Form 316 PRESS	2-12-80 MAR 7 1980	Vol. acquisition of positive control of lic corp by Robert A. Clark thru purchase of stock from John R. Hallstrom Atty - David Hunsaker	GRANTED 3-7-80 EFF: 3-20-80

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.

