

WADK



REMOVABLE LABEL GUIDE

Cat. No. 4550L

Patent No. 1390199

Date first licensed 12-14-48

Call letters WADK (11-23-53)
WRJM

Station location: Newport, R. I.

KEY STATIONS, INC. (AL-9-30-65; EFF: 10-1-65)

* ARNOLD LERNER AND JOSEPH MUFSON dba KEY STATIONS, (AL 1-30-61; EFF: 2-13-61)

* ARNOLD S. LERNER AND MYER FELDMAN d/b as KEY STATIONS, (AL 6-15-60; EFF: 7-16-60)

* THE AQUIDNECK BROADCASTING CORPORATION (AL 8-18-49; EFF: 8-19-49)

Name of licensee * JOHN E. MALLOY AND IRENE A. MALLOY, d/b as VOICE OF LITTLE RHODY

Off Garfield Street, Newport, Rhode Island (EP 11-29-67)

* 217 Reservoir Avenue, Middletown, Rhode Island (BZ-5-7-54)

* S. side of Reservoir Rd., 2 mi. E of center of Newport, Middletown, Rhode

* Charity Farm, Middletown, Rhode Island (Lic. 12-14-48) Island (CP 7-3-51) Lic

* Four acres of land of the Charity Farm on the easterly side of ¹²⁻²⁹⁻⁵¹ ~~Boston~~

Transmitter location Pond, being also .75 mile north and .10 mile west of intersection of

Bath Road, and Aquidneck Avenue, Middletown, Rhode Island (MP 10-19-48)

see card #2

* 1136 Aquidnick Ave., Middletown, R.I. (BML-8-18-72)

* 217 Reservoir Road, Newport, Rhode Island (~~MP 10-19-48~~)

ZIP 02840

* same as transmitter

* S. side of Reservoir Rd., 2 mi. E of center of Newport, Middletown,

Rhode Island (Tel. 8-13-51)

Main studio location * 204 Thames Street, Newport, Rhode Island (MP 10-19-48) (Lic. 12-14-48)

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

| Appl. No. | Date Issued | Freq. | Power | Time Div. | Period From- To- |
|-----------|---|---|-------|-----------|------------------|
| BP-6478 | 8-4-48 | 1540 | 1kw | Daytime | |
| | Ltr. 8-11-48. CP for new station granted subject to filing MP for approval T site and antenna. | | | | |
| BP-6478 | 10-19-48 | 1540 | 1kw | Daytime | 12-19 6-19-49 |
| BMP-4138 | Mod. CP (6478) to change type of T, for approval of antenna and T site and specify studio site. (COND. CLAUSE) | | | | |
| BL-3461 | 12-14-48 | 1540 | 1kw | Daytime | 12-14 5-1-51 |
| | Lic. to cover CP (6478 as mod) for a new station (COND. CLAUSE) | | | | |
| BAI-888 | 8-18-49 | Vol. assignment of license from John E. Malloy & Irene A. Malloy d/b as Voice of Little Rhody to The Aquidneck Broadcasting Corporation | | | |
| EFF: | 8-19-49 | | | | |
| SS-2182 | 4-25-51 | Extension of license | | | 5-1 2-1-51 |
| BP-8066 | 7-3-51 | C.P. chg. T location (COND'L CLAUSE) | | | 9-3 3-3-52 |
| S-2182 | 8-24-51 | Extension of license | | | 9-1 12-1-51 |
| SS-2182 | 11-28-51 | Extension of license | | | 12-1 2-1-52 |
| BL-4610 | 12-29-51 | 1540 | 1kw | Day (T) | 12-29 3-1-52 |
| | Lic cover CP 8066 to chg. T location (COND'L CLAUSE) | | | | |
| BR-2182 | 1-9-52 | 1540 | 1kw | Daytime | 1-9 4-1-54 |
| BL-4610 | 12-29-51 | 1540 | 1kw | Daytime | 12-29 3-1-52 |
| | Lic. cover CP 8066 chg. T location (temp.) (COND'L CLAUSE) - Superseded to correct studio location. | | | | |
| BR-2182 | 1-9-52 | 1540 | 1kw | Daytime | 1-9 4-1-54 |
| | Superseded to correct studio location | | | | |
| STO-1591 | 11-12-53 | Voluntary transfer of control from | | | |
| EFF: | 12-22-53 | COLUMBUS O'DONNELL, CLAIBORNE PELL, JOHN F. C. BRYDE AND HONEST GUNEO to MILTON E. MITLER. | | | |
| BR-2182 | 3-17-54 | 1540 | 1kw | Daytime | 4-1 4-1-57 |
| BZ-3567 | 5-7-54 | Authority to determine operating power (1) by direct measurement of antenna power. | | | |
| TELEGRAM | 6-7-56 | SIGN-OFF 7:30 PM EDST thru 8-31-56 | | | |
| BR-2182 | 3-6-57 | 1540kc | 1kw | Day | 4-1 4-1-60 |
| WIRE | 4-24-57 | SIGN OFF 7:30 PM EDST to 8-31-57 | | | |
| WIRE | 5-2-58 | SIGN-OFF 7:30 PM EDST to 8-31-58 but in no event later than 1 cal 58 | | | |

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BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed

Call letters WADK

Station location

Name of licensee

Transmitter location

Main studio location 140 Thames Street, Newport, R. I. (BSIC 9-5-73)

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

| Appl. No. | Date Issued | Freq. | Power | Time Div. | Period From - To |
|--|--|---|-------|--------------|---------------------|
| Wire | 5-1-59 | Sign-off 7:30PM EDST period ending 8/31/59 | | | |
| Wire | 4-21-60 | Sign-off 7:30PM EDST period 5-1 thru 8-31-60 except for special events. | | | |
| BR-2182 | 4-13-60 | Renewal of license | | | 4-13 4-1-63 |
| | 3-30-60 | Commission deferred action on renewal pending further consideration. | | | |
| BAL-3894 | 6-15-60 | Voluntary assignment of license to | | | |
| EFF: | 7-16-60 | Arnold S. Lerner and Myer Feldman d/b as Key Stations. | | | |
| BAL-4125 | 1-30-61 | Voluntary assignment of license to | | | |
| EFF: | 2-13-61 | Arnold Lerner and Joseph Mafson dba Key Stations | | | |
| BR-2182 | 3-11-63 | 1540kc | 1kw | Day | 4-1 4-1-66 |
| BR-2182 | 3-11-63 | 1540kc | 1kw | Day | 4-1 4-1-66 |
| BAL-5561 | 9-30-65 | Voluntary assignment of license to | | | |
| EFF | 10-1-65 | KEY STATIONS, INC. | | | |
| BR-2182 | 3-21-66 | 1540kc | 1kw | Day | 4-1 4-1-69 |
| BP-17896 | 11-29-67 | 1540kc | 1kw | Day (Rc) | 11-29 7-29-68 |
| | CP to change antenna-trans. loc., and request remote control from main studio, make changes in antenna system (incr. height), and install new transmitter (Gates BC-1G). | | | | |
| BMP-12,142 (1) | 7-18-68 | MP(BP-17896) | | ext, time. | 12-29-68 |
| Ltr. 7-23-68, rec'd 7-31-68 giving notification per Sect. 73.48(a)(5) Rules giving notification that a Gates BC-1G is now installed & in oper. | | | | | |
| AL-12,120 | (L) 10-28-68 | Lic. (BP-17,896, as mod.) for chgs. | | | 4-1-69 |
| BR-2182(S) | 3-26-69 | Renewal of License & NDEA | | | 4-1 4-1-72 |
| BR-2182(S) | 4-14-72 | Renewal of License & NDEA | | | 4-1-75 |
| EBSA | 5-25-72 | | | | |
| BML-2418 | (1) 8-18-72 | ML to change main studio loc. & NC | | | |
| BS-218201 | 9-5-73 | ML to chg. studio & remote control. | | | |
| BR-2182(L) | 4-10-75 | RENEWAL OF LICENSE | | | 4-1-78 |

BC-126
February 1974

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BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed 12-14-48

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Station location

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-8459 | 11-7-77 | Vol. TC | EFF: | 11-30-77 | |
| BZ-9606 BR-2182(L) | 5-8-78 | RENEWAL & MODIFICATION (Issued Together) | | | 4-1-81 |

Transmitter-Raytheon RA-1000

FCC 94

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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

WRJM

Call

Letters(Unassigned).....

Name JOHN E. MALLOY and IRENE A. MALLOY, ~~A Partnership~~ d/b as VOICE OF LITTLE RHODY

| File No. | Dated | Application for | Action | |
|----------------------------|-------------------------------|--|---------------------------------|----------|
| | | | Nature | Date |
| BMP-4138 Rec'd Filed | 8-21-48 8-25-48 8-25-48 | Mod. of C.P. (BP-6478, which authorized a new standard broadcast station) to change type of transmitter (Gates BC-1E), for approval of antenna and transmitter location at Four acres of land of the Charity Farm on the easterly side of Easton Pond, being also .75 mi. north and .10 mi. west of the intersection of Bath Road and Aquidneck Ave., Middletown, Rhode Island, and to specify studio location as 204 Thames Street, Newport, Rhode Island. (Filed by Robert L. Heald, Atty.; John A. Moffet, Engr.) Dec 14, 1948 | GRANTED re blanketing clause | 10-19-48 |

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call

Letters W.R.J.M.

THE AQUIDNECK BROADCASTING CORPORATION (AL 8-18-49)

Name Mr. JOHN E. MALLOY and IRENE A. MALLOY, d/b as VOICE OF LITTLE RHODY

| File No. | Dated | Application for | Action | |
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| | | | Nature | Date |
| BL-3451 Rec'd Filed | 11-4-48 11-4-48 11-4-48 | License to cover C. P. (BP-6478, as mod.) which authorized a new standard broadcast station. (Vincent B. Welch, Atty.) | GRANTED re blanketing clause | 12-14-48 |
| BAL-888 Rec'd Filed | 6-2-49 6-15-49 6-15-49 | Voluntary assignment of license from John E. Malloy & Irene A. Malloy d/b as Voice of Little Rhody to The Aquidneck Broadcasting Corporation. Edward P. Morgan, Atty. | GRANTED EFF: | 8-18-49 8-19-49 |
| BR-2182 Rec'd. | 2-7-51 2-27-51 | Renewal of license, filed by Harold E. Mott, Attn'y. | Granted | 1-9-52 |

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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Letters

W R J MName THE AQUIDNECK BROADCASTING CORPORATION

| File No. | Dated | Application for | Action | |
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| | | | Nature | Date |
| BP-8066 Rec'd Filed | 4-10-51 4-12-51 4-12-51 | Construction permit to change transmitter location from Charity Farm, Middletown, Rhode Island to On south side of Reservoir Road, 2 miles east of center of Newport, Middletown, Rhode Island. Harold E. Mott, Atty. Edward W. Deeters, Engr. | GRANTED Cond'l re | 7-3-51 blanketing |
| BL-4610 Rec'd Filed | 9-4-51 11-28-51 11-28-51 | License to cover construction permit (BP-8066) which authorized change in transmitter site. Harold E. Mott, atty. | GRANTED Cond'l re | 12-29-51 blanketing |

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Call **WADK**
Letters **WRJM**Name THE AQUIDNECK BROADCASTING CORPORATION

| File No. | Dated | Application for | Action | |
|----------------------------|-------------------------------|---|-----------------|---|
| | | | Nature | Date |
| BTC-1591 Rec'd Filed | 9-18-53 9-22-53 9-22-53 | Voluntary transfer of control of licensee corporation from Columbus O'Donnell, Caliborne Pell, John F. C. Bruce, and Ernest Cuneo to Milton E. Mitler (100%). Harold Mott, Atty. | GRANTED NFF: | 11-12-53 12-23-53 |
| BR-2182 Rec'd Filed | 1-9-54 1-15-54 1-15-54 | Renewal of License Filed by Robert L. Heald, Atty. | granted | 3-17-54 |
| BZ-3567 Rec'd Filed | 3-17-54 3-19-54 3-19-54 | Authority to determine operating power by direct measurement of antenna power. | GRANTED | 5-7-54 |
| BR-2182 Rec'd Filed | 12-12-56 1-2-57 1-2-57 | Renewal of license Harold E. Mott, Atty | GRANTED | 3-6-57 |
| BR-2182 Rec'd & Filed | 1-30-60 2-2-60 | Renewal of license Krieger & Jorgensen, Attys. | GRANTED | 4-15-60 XXXXXX XXXXXX |

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

AUG. 1955

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Letters

KEY STATIONS, INC.

x ARNOLD LERNER AND JOSEPH MUFSON DBA KEY STATIONS

Name x THE AQUIDNECK BROADCASTING CORPORATION

NEWPORT, RHODE ISLAND

| File No. | Dated | Application for | Action | |
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| | | | Nature | Date |
| BAL-3894 Rec'd Filed | 5-16-60 5-16-60 5-16-60 | Voluntary assignment of license to Arnold S. Lerner and Myer Feldman d/b as Key Stations. Sylvia D. Kessler, Atty. for Assignor Philip M. Baker, Atty. for Assignee | GRANTED EFF: | 6-15-60 7-16-60 |
| BAL-4125 Rec'd Filed | 1-17-61 1-17-61 1-17-61 | Voluntary assignment of license to Arnold Lerner and Joseph Mufson d/b as Key Stations James E. Greeley, Atty. | GRANTED EFF: | 1-30-61 2-13-61 |
| BR-2182 Rec'd & Filed | 12-17-62 12-26-62 | Renewal of License Philip M. Baker, Atty. | GRANTED | 3-11-63 |
| BAL-5561 R & F (Form 316) | 8-27-65 9-3-65 | Voluntary assignment of license to KEY STATIONS, INC. | GRANTED EFF: | 9-30-65 10-1-65 |
| BR-2182 R & F | 12-21-65 12-21-65 | Renewal of License | GRANTED | 3-21-66 |

FORM BC-121 #7
 AUG. 1955

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Name KEY STATIONS, INC.
Newport, R. I.

| File No. | Dated | Application for | Action | |
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| | | | Nature | Date |
| BP-17,896 R. & F. NOV 9 1967 | 8-11-67 9-7-67 | CP to change antenna-trans loc to Off Garfield Street, Newport, Rhode Island, and request remote control from main studio, make changes in antenna system (incr. height), and install new transmitter (Gates BC-1G). Requests waiver of Note to Sec. 1.571 and 73.37 Atty: Eugene T. Smith | GRANTED 73.30(a) waived | 11-29-67 of Rules |
| BMP-12,442 R. & F. #438607 \$30 JUL 5 1968 | 6-22-68 6-24-68 6-24-68 | Mod. of CP (BP-17,896) for ext. of completion date from 7-29-68 to _____. | GRANTED to | 7-18-68 12-29-68 |
| BL-12,120 R & F #462298 \$30 PT -Temp. Pt AMENDED | 9/16/68 9/30/68 9/30/68 10/3/68 10/9/68 10/21/68 | License (BP-17,896 as mod.) for changes. Atty: Eugene T. Smith re engr. data. | GRANTED | 10-28-68 |

*Copy 10-21-68 to 11-21-68
 11-21-68*

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

1540kc

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 Letters W A D K

Name KEY STATIONS, INC.
Newport, R. I.

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| | | | Nature | Date |
| BR-2182 R & F \$479893 \$75.00 PRESS JAN 13 1968 | 12-20-68 12-24-68 12-24-68 | Renewal of license AMENDED 2-17-69 re: Foreign language programming | GRANTED | 3-26-69 |
| BTC Rec'd FEB OF \$30 RET'D 2-19-69 | 2-7-69 2-10-69 2-19-69 | Vol. transfer of stock from Joseph Mufson to Myer Feldman #489856 Atty - Ginsburg & Feldman | RET'D | 2-19-69 Unrec. to be reported on 329 |
| BR-2182 R & F PN Recd. PRESS JAN 24 1972 | 12-22-71 12-29-71 " " | RENEWAL OF LICENSE Eugene T. Smith, Atty. AMENDED 2-17-72 re: commercial policy | GRANTED | 4-14-72 72 |
| BML-2418 R & F \$50-088863 AC-060 PRESS: JUL 24 1972 | 6-29-72 7-3-72 7-3-72 | Modification of license to change the main studio location outside the corporate city limits of Newport to 1136 Aquidnick Ave. Middletown, R. I. | GRANTED | 8-18-72 |

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REPLY TO OPPOSITION TO MOTION TO DISMISS APPLI. filed 5-16-77

Leon T. Knauer on behalf of Bay B/C Inc.

8-17-78 PETITION FOR RECONSIDERATION FILED BY KEY STATIONS, INC. THRU ITS ATTYS. ARTHUR SCHEINER & MICHAEL H. ROSENBLOOM

CONTINUED ON CARD NO. 10

Amended Rec'd 1-31-79 re: Affidavit

Amended 11-18-80 REQUEST FOR WAIVER OF SECTIONS 73.189(b) (2) and 73.45 of the Commission's Rules.

5-10-79 PETITION FOR RECONSIDERATION FILED BY ARTHUR SCHEINER ON BEHALF OF KEY STATIONS, INC.

5-10-79 PETITION FOR RECONSIDERATION FILED BY ARTHUR SCHIENR ON BEHALF OF KEY STATIONS, INC.

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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Letters W A D K

Name KEY STATIONS, INC.
NEWPORT, RHODE ISLAND

| File No. | Dated | Application for | Action | |
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| | | | Nature | Date |
| CONTINUED FROM CARD NO 780817AF | 4-11-77 6-3-76 | 9 REQUEST WAIVER OF SECTS 73.24(g), 73.24(j) 73.182(f) and 73.188(b)(2) OF COMMISSIN RULES PETITION FOR RECONSIDERATION FI ED 8-17-78 BY ARTHUR SCHEINER ON BEHALF OF APPLICANT | | |
| RESUBMIT | 8-17-78 | | | |
| | 7-13-79 | PETITION FOR MOTION TO DISMISS FILED 7-13-79 by Atty ROBERT B. McKENNA, JR. ON BEHALF OF BAY BROADCASTERS, INC. | | |
| | 7-19-79 | <u>PETITION A MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME FILED</u> 7-19-79 BY ATTY.MICHAEL H. ROSENBLOOM ON BEHALF OF (KEY STATIONS, INC.) | | |
| | 8-20-79 | REPLY TO OPPOSITION TO MOTION TO DISMISS FILED BY ATTY.. LEON T. KNAUER AND ROBERT B. MCKENNA, JR.. ON BEHALF OF APPLICANT | | |
| AMENDED | 8-7-79 | Ltr from US Senator from Rhode Island | | |

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8-10-79 MOTION FOR ACCEPTANCE OF OPPOSITION TO MOTION TO DISMISS FILED BY MICHAEL H. ROSENBLOOM ON BEHALF OF KEY STATIONS, INC.

8-10-81 OPPOSITION TO MOTION TO DISMISS FILED BY ARTHUR SCHEINER ON BEHALF OF KEY STATIONS, INC.

AMENDED: 11-18-80 RE: ENGINEERING

BP-790510AB 3-9-81 PETITION TO DENY FILED BY LEON T. KNAUER ON BEHALF OF BAY BROADCASTERS, IN C.

3-24-81 OPPOSITION TO PETITION TO DENY FILED BY MICHAEL H. ROSENBLOOM, ON BEHALF OF KEY STATIONS, INC.

4-3-81 REPLY TO OPPOSITION TO PETITION TO DENY FILED BY LEON T. KNAUER, ON BEHALF OF BAY BROADCASTERS, INC.

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call
Letters W A D KName KEY STATIONS, INC.
Newport, Rhode Island

| File No. | Dated | Application for | Action | |
|--|--------------------------------|---|--------------------------------|---------------------|
| | | | Nature | Date |
| BTC-8459 R & F FORM 315 SEP 29 1977 PN Recd. | 9-9-77 9-12-77 10-20-77 | Voluntary transfer of control of lic corp from Arnold S. Lerner and Myer Feldman to Newport Communications, Inc. (see over) Atty for transferor - Myer Feldman for transferee - Wilner & Scheiner | GRANTED EFF: | 11-7-77 11-30-77 |
| BR-2182 R & F P.N. PRESS DEC 12 1977 | 11-30-77 12-1-77 12-1-77 | Renewal of License Atty.: Michael H. Rosenbloom | GRANTED | 5-8-78 |
| BZ-9606 R & F DM PRESS FEB 23 1978 | 11-22-77 12-6-77 2-3-78 | Direct Measurement | GRANTED issued with BR-2182 | 5-8-78 |

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RE: Amended 10-4-77 Financial Data

RE: Amended 10-27-77 EEOP Data & Art. of Incorpor.

RE: Amended 10-28-77 Legal Data

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APPLICATION RECORD-BROADCASTING

Call Letters: W A D K

Name: KEY STATIONS, INC.

Station Location: NEWPORT, RHODE ISLAND

| File No. | Date | Description | Action and Date |
|-----------------------|-------------|--|-----------------|
| BR 801126 UV PRESS | DEC 28 1980 | RENEWAL OF LICENSE Michael H. Rosenbloom, Atty. AMENDED 1-26-81 re: ascert. of comm. needs & problems | Mfr 3/30/81 |

W A D K

Record of denial of STA's

Letter 4-2-54 Denied authority operate additional hours
beginning 5-15-54 for baseball games

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.

