



REMOVABLE LABEL GUIDE

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BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed 8-29-56

Call letters W F S T

Station Location: Caribou, Maine

NORTHERN BROADCASTING CO. (AL 1-23-58) EFF: 3-1-55)

Name of licensee ~~x~~ FOREST S. TIBBETTS, tr/as NORTHERN BROADCASTING COMPANY

On Route 161, 2 miles north of Caribou, Maine (re-described Lic. 8-29-56)

Transmitter location ~~x~~ On State Highway 161, 2 miles NW of Caribou, Maine. (CP 5-3-56)

On Route 161, 2 miles north of Caribou, Maine (re-described Lic. 8-29-56)

Main studio location ~~x~~ On State Highway 161, 2 miles NW of Caribou, Maine. (CP 5-3-56)

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From - To
BP-10290	5-3-56	600kc	1kw	Daytime	7-3-56 1-3-57
CP for a new standard broadcast station.					
BL-6248	8-29-56	600kc	1kw	Daytime	8-29 4-1-57
Lic. to cover CP (BP-10,290) for a new standard broadcast station.					
BP-10800	2-6-57	600kc	5kw	Day	4-6-57 10-6-57
Construction permit to increase power and install a new transmitter.					
Telegram	3-29-57	Action on renewal deferred 3-27-57 and continued operation authorized until final determination on renewal applied.			
BR-3304	4-1-57	Renewal of License			
BL-6585 (1)	8-23-57	Renewal of license to cover CP (BP-10800) to increase power and install new transmitter.			
BZ-3934 (2)	11-11-57	Authority to determine operating power by direct measurement of antenna power.			
BAL-2904 EFF:	1-23-58	Voluntary assignment of license to Northern Broadcasting Co.			
BR-3304	10-11-61	Renewal of License			
BZ-4268	10-18-61	600kc	5kw	Day	10-18 4-1-63
Authority to determine operating power by direct measurement of antenna power					
BTC-3855 EFF:	11-1-61	Voluntary transfer of control of licensee corporation from Forrest S. Tibbetts and Jean K. Tibbetts to Elbridge F. Stevens, Jr. and R. Murray Briggs, Voting Trustees			
BR-3304	3-11-63	Renewal of license			
BR-3304	7-28-66	Renewal of License			
BTC-5593 EFF:	4-30-68	Vol. TC			
PSA	11-7-68	220w			

June 1954

BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Card #2

Date first licensed

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Station location

Name of licensee Northern Broadcasting Co.

Transmitter location

Main studio location

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From - To
BR-3304 (S)	7-31-69	RENEWAL	& NDEA		4-1-72
BR-3304 EBSA	3-30-72 5-25-72	RENEWAL	OF LICENSE	& NDEA	4-1-75
BZ-8085(L)	7-6-72	Direct	Measurement		
BTC-7274	6-20-74	VOL. TC	EFF: 7-25-74		
BR-3304(S)	3-31-75		RENEWAL		4-1-78
BR-3304(S)	3-13-78	Renewal	of License		4-1-81

FORM BC-121

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

FORMERLY FORM A-170

Name FOREST S. TIBBETTS tr/as
NORTHERN BROADCASTING COMPANY
PO 21 Collins St. Caribou, Maine

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File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BP-10,290 Rec'd Filed	12-7-55 12-30-55 12-30-55	<p>Construction permit for a new standard broadcast station to be operated on: Frequency: 600kc Power: 1kw Hours of Operation: Daytime Trans. Location: On State Hwy. 161, 2 mi. NW of Caribou, Maine Studio Location: Same</p> <p>Ralph J. Bitzer, Engr., St. Louis, Mo.</p>	GRANTED	5-3-56
AMENDED Rec'd Filed	4-2-56 4-4-56 4-4-56	AMENDED to make changes in antenna system (decrease height) and make changes in ground system.		

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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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Letters W P S TName FORREST S. TIBBETTS, tr/as NORTHERN BROADCASTING COMPANY.....

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BL-6248 Rec'd Filed	7-10-56 7-11-56 7-11-56	License to cover Construction Permit BP-10,290 which authorized a new standard broadcast station.	GRANTED	8-29-56
BP-10,800 Rec'd Filed	9-12-56 9-13-56 9-13-56	Construction permit to increase power from 1kw <u>to</u> 5kw and install new transmitter. (Gates BC 5 P) Engr. - Donald W. Howe, Jr., Worcester, Ma.	GRANTED	2-6-57
BR-3304 Rec'd Filed	2-9-57 2-25-57 2-25-57	Renewal of license	GRANTED	8-1-57
BL-6585 Rec'd Filed	3-20-57 3-27-57 3-27-57	License to cover Construction Permit BP-10,800 which authorized increase power from 1kw to 5kw and install new transmitter (Gates BC 5P).	GRANTED	8-23-57

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AUG. 1955

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Letters N.F.S.T.

NORTHERN BROADCASTING CO.

Name FOREST...S...TIBBETTS...TR./AS...NORTHERN...BROADCASTING...COMPANY.....

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BZ-3934 Rec'd Filed	9-30-57 10-2-57 10-2-57	Authority to determine operating power by direct measurement of antenna power.	GRANTED	11-11-57
BAL-2904 Rec'd Filed	12-23-57 12-26-57 12-26-57	Voluntary assignment of license to Northern Broadcasting Co.	GRANTED EFF:	1-23-58 3-1-58
BR-3304 Rec'd Resub. Rec'd & filed	1-18-60 2-9-60 3-22-60 3-28-60	Renewal of license.	Returned Re: Not "eternized"	2-23-60
BZ-4268 Rec'd Filed	3-22-60 3-28-60 3-28-60	Authority to determine operating power by direct measurement of antenna power. Howard T. Mead, Engr.	GRANTED	10-11-61 10-18-61

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Letters W F S TName NORTHERN BROADCASTING CO.
CARIBOU, MAINE

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BTC-3855 Rec'd Filed	9-14-61 9-20-61 9-20-61	Voluntary transfer of control of licensee corporation from Forrest S. Tibbetts and Jean K. Tibbettsto Elbridge F. Stevens, Jr. and R. Murray Briggs, Voting Trustees. Harry J. Ockershausen, Atty.	GRANTED EFF:	11-1-61 11-3-61
BR-3304 ec. & Filed	12/26/62 1/8/63	Renewal of license Destiny & Kopolovitz, Attys.	GRANTED	3-27-63
BR-3304 R & F	2-23-66 3-8-66	Renewal of license Atty: Benedict Cottone	GRANTED	22 7-20-66
BTC-5593 R & F (Form 316) FEE PD: \$150 - #415729 REFUND \$90 - Overpayment (4-3-68) APR 1 1968	3-20-68 3-21-68	Vol. acq. of negative control of lic. corp. by each, Allison J. Briggs and R. Murray Briggs thru purchase of stock from Elbridge F. Stevens	GRANTED EFF.	4-30-68 5-7-68

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Call Letters W7ST

Name NORTHERN BROADCASTING CO.
Caribou, Maine

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BR-3304 R & F \$481791 \$75.00 PRESS FEB 7 1969	12-26-68 1-3-69 1-3-69	Renewal of license AMENDED 4-23-69 re: Programming	GRANTED	7-31-69
BR-3304 R & F PN Recd. PRESS JAN 18 1972	12-29-71 1-4-72 "	RENEWAL OF LICENSE	GRANTED	3-30-72
BZ-8085 R & F DM, PRESS JUN 30 1972	5-2-72 5-5-72 5-17-72	Direct Measurement	GRANTED	7-6-72

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Form BC-121
September 1969

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Letters W F S TName NORTHERN BROADCASTING CO.
Caribou, Maine

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BTC-7274	9-13-73	Voluntary pro forma relinquishment of negative control of lic corp by each, R. Murray Briggs and Allison J. Briggs thru sale of stock to John M. Michaud (25%) by the lic. corporation. Atty - Cole, Zylstra & Raywid AMENDED 4-23-74. Re: Stock to be sold by licensee corporation to Michaud and financing.	GRANTED	6-20-74
Re: R	10-12-73		EFF:	7-25-74
FEE PD: \$250. #242172				(per PCB# 323)
CODE 047 (ALSO SEE FM)				
FILED	10-31-73			
(Fee for FM pd) (Form 316)				
NOV 8 1973				
BR-3304	11-27-74	RENEWAL OF LICENSE		
R & F	12-2-74	Thos. W. Fletcher, Atty.	GRANTED	3-31-75
PN Recd.	"			
PRESS	DEC 17 1974			
BR-3304	11-28-77	Renewal of license		
R & F	12-1-77	Atty - Thomas W. Fletcher	GRANTED	3-13-78
PN	" "			
PRESS	DEC 27 1977			

W F S T - RECORD OF DENIALS OF INFORMAL REQUESTS

8-18-59 Letter answering 8-12-59 request for remaining on air beyond normal time in Feb. & March for broadcasting basketball games.

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APPLICATION RECORD-BROADCASTING

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Call Letters: WEST

Name: NORTHERN BROADCASTING CO.

Station Location: CARIBOU, MAINE

File No.	Date	Description	Action and Date
BR-801201 YU PRESS		RENEWAL OF LICENSE Atty. Thomas W. Fletcher	3-30

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 a few sets of microfiche 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.

