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BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed 7-18-68

Call letters W K D R

Station location Plattsburgh, N. Y.

Name of licensee METRO GROUP BROADCASTING, INC.

Peru, New York

Transmitter location 0.43 mi. W. of Delaware & Hudson Railroad Right-of-way on Plank Rd./

12901
Main studio location 91 Margaret Street, Plattsburgh, New York (L-7-18-68)
xx 62 Bridge Street, Plattsburgh, New York (BP 8-8-67)

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From-- To
BP-17089	8-8-67	1070kc	5kw	Day	10-8 4-8-68
	CP for a new standard broadcast station (Cond'1 (RC)				
BP-17089 (1)	10-17-67	Mod. of	CP(BP-17089) to assign call letters.		
BP-17089	2-14-68	1070kc	5kw	Day (R.C.)	4-14 10-14-68
	CP for a new standard broadcast station (Cond'1 (GRANT RE-CONSIDERED)				
BL-12,014	6-18-68	Lic. (BP-17,089) for new station, spec. type trans.-studio loc. & remote control point.			6-1-69
BR-4701(S)	6-13-69	Renewal			6-1-72
EBSA	6-12-72				
BR-4701(S)	8-17-72	RENEWAL			6-1-75
BR-4701(L)	8-21-75		RENEWAL		6-1-78
BR-4701	8-23-79	(S) REN. OF LIC.			6-1-81

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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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Name Metro Group Broadcasting, Inc.
Plattsburgh, New York (P.D.-Mounted Rt 8, Box 318, Plattsburgh, N.Y. 12902)

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BP-17,089 R. & F.	1-19-66	CP for a new standard broadcast station to be	GRANTED	8-8-67
	1-20-66	operated on: Frequency: 1070kc Power: 5kw Hours of operation: Daytime Type transmitter: Gates BC-5P-2 Trans. location: 0.43 mi. west of Delaware & Hudson Railroad Right-of-way on Plank Rd., Peru, N. Y. Studio location: 62 Bridge Street, Plattsburgh, New York Remote control point: Same as studio Atty: Samuel Miller Engr: Gautney & Jones	Cond'l re: Any pre-sunrise oper. must conform with Sects. 73.87 & 73.99 of the Rules. After Hearing Docket No. 16973 Order Issued. GRANTED 2-14-68 (GRANT RE-CONSIDERED) Request STAY filed 3-6-68. To Court of Appeals 3-7-68. STAY Denied. 4-10-68.	
Preliminary examination indicates this proposal is MUTUALLY EXCLUSIVE with BP-16,735, (New) Burlington, Vermont.				
Amended	2-17-66	AMENDED to make chgs in antenna(dec.hgt) &		
R.&F.	2-21-66	add top loading) F.C.C. - WASHINGTON, D. C.		

FORM BC-121 #2
AUG. 1955

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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Name **METRO GROUP BROADCASTING, INC.**
Plattsburgh, New York

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BL-12,014 R & F #433419 \$30 PTA JUL 10 1958	5/29/68 6/3/68 6/3/68 6/12/68	License (BP-17,089) for new station, specify type transmitter GATES BC-5H, studio loc. and remote control point 91Margaret St.	GRANTED	7-18-68
BR-4701 R & F #494968 \$75.00 PRESS MAR 24 1969	3-1-69 3-3-69 3-3-69	Renewal of license AMENDED 5-27-69 re: Business interests	GRANTED	6-13-69
BR-4701 R & F PN Recd. PRESS MAR 22 1972	2-29-72 3-3-72 "	RENEWAL OF LICENSE AMENDED 3-20-72 re: programming AMENDED 5-11-72 re: balance sheet AMENDED 5-23-72 re: balance sheet; community survey; employment policy	GRANTED	8-17-72

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Name METRO GROUP BROADCASTING, INC.
PLATTSBURGH, NEW YORK

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BR-4701 R & F PN Recd. PRESS	1-30-75 2-3-75 " MAR 7 1975	RENEWAL OF LICENSE AMENDED 4-14-75 re: EEO AMENDED 7-11-75 re: EEO AMENDED 7-23-75 re: EEO	GRANTED	8-21-75
BR-4701 R&F PRESS	1-26-78 1-31-78 FEB 23 1978	Renewal of License Atty-Samuel Miller	GRANTED	8-23-79
BR810202A7 PRESS	MAR 24 1981	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Atty. Mark E. Fields	GRN	5-29-81

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.

