

#### REMOVABLE LABEL GUIDE

Cat. No. 4550L

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#### **BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD**

Date first licensed 2-17-55

Call letters WMCW
Station Location: Harvard, Illinois

OBED S. BORGEN (AL 2-27-79 EFF: 3-15-79

Name of licensee \* ESTHER BLODGETT

Transmitter location West Side of U.S. Highway 14, 1 mile north of Harvard, Illanois (CP 7-28-(L 2-17-55) 54

Main studio location West Side of U.S. Highway 14, 1 mile north of Harvard, Illinois (CP 7-28-54 FCC-65

# CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl.	Date			Time	Period
No.	Issued		Power	Div.	From- To-
BP-8579	7-28-54 CP for n	1600kc ew stand	500w	Day	9-28-54 3-28-5
BMP-6767 (1)					chg. type Trans.
BL-5621	2-17-55	1600	500w	Day	2-17 12-1-55
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BR-3094	3-25-59	Renew	al of Li	cense	3-25 12-1-61
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BR-3094	2-23-66	Renewa.	of Lic	nse	2-23 4-1-67
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	10-17-67	PSA	500w		
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#### APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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PO 205 E. Brainard Street, Harvard, Ill.

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File No.	Dated	Application for	Nature	Date
BF-8579 Rec'd Filed	8-1-52 8-13-52 8-13-52	Construction permit for a new standard broad- cast station to be operated on: Frequency: 1600kc Fower: 500w Hours of Operation: Daytime Trans. Location: To be determined  Harvard, Ill. Studio Location: To be determined  Earvard, Ill.  Euglene L. Burke, Atty. Walter F. Kean, Engr.		7-28-54
Amend Rec'd Filed	3-20-53 3-23-53 3-23-53	AMENDED to specify Transmitter and Studio locations as: West side of U.S. Highway 14, 1 mile North of Harvard, Illinois		

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Name ESTHER BLODGETT

File No. EMP-6767 Rec'd Filed	Dated 1-26-55 1-27-55 1-27-55	Application for Modification of construction permit (HP-8579 which auth. a new standard broadcast statio to change type transmitter (Collins 550A-1).  Eugene L. Burke, Atty.	Nature GRANTED	<u>lon</u> Date <b>1-28-55</b>
BL-5621 Rec'd Filed	1-21-55 1-25-55 1-2 <b>5</b> -55	License to cover construction permit (BP-8579 as modified) which authorized a new standard broadcast station.  Eugene L. Burke, Atty.		2-17-55
BR-3094 Recd Filed	11-23-55 11-29-55 11-29-55	Renewal of license Eugene L. Burke, Atty.	GRANTED	2-8-56
BR-3094 Rec'd Filed	8-29-58 11-26-59 11-26-59	Renewal of License  Eugene L. Burke, Atty.	GRANTED	3-25-59
		F.C.C WASHINGTON, D. C.		

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Harvard, Illinois

File No.	Dated	Application for	Nature	tion Date
BR-3094 Rec'd Filed Amended R & F	11-30-61 12-4-61 12-4-61 2/12/65 2/15/65	Renewal of license  Supplemental application filed.  Atty. Eugene Burke	GRANTED	2-23-66
BR-3094 R & F	12-31-66 1-17-67	Renewal of license (SHORT TERM) Atty- Eugene L. Burke	GRANTED	# 3-3-67
BR-3094 R & F SEP 1 9 1967		Renewal of license Atty- Eugene L. Burke	GRANTED	8-7-68
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OBED S. BORGEN

Form BC-121 September 1969

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STREET, SALES WAS ASSESSED.	Dated 8-25-70 9-2-70 9-10-70	Application for  Renewal of license 11-6-70 Exhibits filed  Atty- Eugene L. Burke  AMENDED 5-14-71 re: programming	Nature GRANTED	Date 5-27-71
R & F PN PRESS	1-9-73 11-15-73 11-15-73		GRANTED	7-31-74
PRESS	11-24-76 11-29-76 DEC 2 1976	RENEWAL OF LICENSE  Eugene L. Burke, Atty.	GRANTED	7-25-78
PRESS DE FORM 314	C 1 1978 2-13-79		and the same of th	2-27-79 3-15-79

BR-3094 called atty 11-16-73 re: Trans. Logs

Call Letters: WMCW

Name: OBED S. BORGEN

Station Location: HARVARD, ILLINOIS

File No.	Date	Description	Action and Date
790801 ZU RESS OCT 1 1 1979		RENEWAL OF LICENSE Thos. W. Fletcher, Atty.	GRANTED 11-30-7
			Form BC-121 March 1979

#### **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 12<sup>th</sup> 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.

