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Form BC 126
June 1954 4408

BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed 9-15-65

Call letters W M P P

Station location Chicago Heights, Ill.

Name of licensee JANA BROADCASTING COMPANY INCORPORATED (AL 4-10-81 EFF:
*SEAWAY BROADCASTING COMPANY, INC.

Transmitter location Just W. of Illinois State 1, 3.5 mi. S. of Chicago Heights, Illinois

lots 9 and 10, Ellis and 14th Streets, Lincoln Highway, East Chicago Heights, Ill. (BMP 10-1262)
Main studio location To be determined, Chicago Heights, Illinois (BP 11-8-60)

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From- To
BP-11872	11-8-60	1470kc	1kw-DA- B	Day	1-8 7-8-61 CP for a new standard broadcast station (Cond'1)
BP-11872 Reinstated (order)	10-3-62	1470kc	1kw-DA- B	Day	12-3 3-31-63 CP for a new standard broadcast station (Cond'1)
BMP-9233 (1)	10-12-62	Mod. of CP(BP-11872) to change studio location.			
BTC-3615 EFF:	10-12-62 11-9-62	Voluntary transfer of control of permittee corporation from Charles D. Buford and Eugene H. Dibble, III to William S. Martin, Charles J. Pinckard, J. B. Martin and Edith S. Sampson.			
BMP-10816 (2)	3-19-63	Mod. of CP (BP-11872 as mod.) for ext. of completion date to 7-31-63			
BMP-10,959 (3)	7-31-63	Mod. of CP (BP-11,872 as mod) for ext. of completion date to 9-30-63.			
BTC-4419	1-3-64	Involuntary relinquishment of positive control of permittee corporation by William S. Martin and J.B. Martin(as a family group) thru death of William S. Martin and appointment of Mrs. William S. Martin as Administratrix of the Estate of William S. Martin			
BMP-10970 (4)	1-14-64	Mod. of CP(BP-11,872 as mod.) to make chgs. in the directional antenna pattern (DA- B) and change type trans. to GATES BC-1G.			
BTC-4651 EFF:1-5-65	11-25-64	Voluntary acquisition of positive control of permittee corp. by Charles Pinckard(55%) thru purchase of stock from J.B. Martin and Edith Sampson			
BL-10,470	9-15-65	1470kc	1kw-DA- B	Day	9-15 12-1-67 Lic to cover CP(BP-11,872 as mod)which auth a new standard broadcast station.

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BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

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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
BRC-2962 (1)	11-22-66	Mod. of license to operate transmitter by remote control from 14th St. and Ellis Ave., East Chicago Heights, Illinois (DA-4).			
TELEGRAM	10-17-67	PSA	500w		
BR-4408	11-30-67	1470kc	1kw-DA-4	Day	12-1-70
BS-4408(1)	7-11-68	Memo chg. oper. specs.			
BS-4408(2)	1-15-70	Contel chg. oper. specs.			
BP-18,971	3-5-71	1470kc	250w	Day	3-5-71
	CP to install auxiliary trans. Raytheon, RA-250 for use on 250 watts DA-D and operate by RC.				
BR-4408	1-18-71	RENEWAL OF LICENSE (L)			12-1-73
BP-19,165	4-6-72	1470kc	250w	Aux.	4-6-73
FORFEITED	CP to replace expired permit for new aux. trans.				
EBSA	6-12-72				
BP-19,455	7-23-73	1470khz,	250w	DA-Day Aux.	7-23-74
	CP to install new trans. operate by RC from SL.				
BR-4408(L)	4-9-74	RENEWAL (MAIN)			12-1-76
BL-13,586(1)	4-30-74	Lic to cover BP-19455 for New Aux. Trans.			12-1-76
BTC-7406	5-31-74	INVOL. TC EFF:			
BS-4408(L)	12-3-74	ML to resume power and readjustment of directional system			12-1-76
BTC790710EL	10-18-79	VOL. TC EFF: 12-5-79			
COMTEL	5-2-80	AU. & TERMS COMTEL 11-1-79 EXT. THRU 7-15-80			
COMTEL	7-21-80	AU. & TERMS COMTEL 12-5-75 EXT. THRU 10-15-80			
COMTEL	11-5-80	AU. & TERMS COMTEL 12-5-75 EXT. THRU 1-15-81			
BALS10911ES	4-10-81	Vol AL EFF:			

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

AUG. 1955

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Letters NEW W M P PName SEAWAY BROADCASTING COMPANY, INC.

(P.O. - William S. Martin, 825 East Drexel Square, Chicago 15, Ill.)

Pres.

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BP-11,872	2-21-58	Construction permit for a new standard broadcast station to be operated on: Frequency - 1470kc Power - 1kw DA Hours of operation - Daytime Trans..location - Just west of Illinois State 3.5 miles south of Chicago Heights, Ill. Studio location - To be determined. Chicago Heights, Ill.	GRANTED	11-8-60
Rec'd	2-21-58		Cond'l re: Phase Mon., Field meas. equip. & complete non-DA proof.	
Filed	2-21-58		After Hearing Docket No. 13012 Order issued.	
		Atty. - Leo Resnick Engr. - Ralph J. Bitzer, St. Louis, Mo.	ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE ISSUED 4-12-61 DOCKET NO. 14051 ABOVE ORDER DISMISSED CP REINSTATED 10-3-62	
AMENDMENT R & F	2-7-59 2-11-59	AMENDED to make changes in DA system (2 add'l towers)		
AMENDMENT Rec'd	8-17-60 8-23-60	AMENDED to make changes in DA system and ground system.		
Filed (ORDER)	9-2-60			

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AUG. 1955

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Letters WMFPName Seaway Broadcasting Company, Inc.
Chicago Heights, Ill.

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BMP-9233 R & F	12-7-60 12-9-60	Modification of C. P. (BP-11,872, which auth. a new standard broadcast station) to specify main studio location as 60-105 Lincoln Hwy., 4 mi. E. of Chicago Hts., Ill.	GRANTED	10-12-62
AMENDMENT R & F	9-29-62 10-3-62	Atty: Leo Resnick AMENDED to change studio location to "Lots 9 and 10 on Ellis and 14th Sts. (Lincoln Highway), East Chicago Heights, Illinois" Request waiver of Sec. 3.30(a) of Rules.		
BTC-3615 Rec'd Filed	12-1-60 12-5-60 12-5-60	Voluntary transfer of control of permittee corporation from Charles D. Buford and Eugene H. Dibble III to William S. Martin, and Charles J. Pinckard, J. B. Martin and Edith S. Sampson. Leo Resnick, Atty.	GRANTED EFF:	10-12-62 11-9-62
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE ISSUED 4-12-61 - DOCKET NO. 14051				

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Name Seaway Broadcasting Company, Inc.
Chicago Heights, Ill.

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BP-15333 Rec'd	2-8-62 2-12-62	CP to replace expired CP (BP-11872 which auth a new standard broadcast station). Atty: Leo Resnick	DISMISSED as moot (CP reinstated per MEMO OPINION & ORDER 10-3-62)	10-8-62
BMP-10,816 R. & F.	2-21-63 2-25-63	Mod. of CP (BP-11,872 as mod., which auth. a new standard broadcast station) for extension of completion date from 3-31-63 to 7-31-63. Atty: Leo Resnick	GRANTED	3-19-63
BMP-10,959 R. & F.	7-5-63 7-5-63	Mod. of CP (BP-11,872 as mod., which auth. a new standard broadcast station) for ext. of completion date from 7-31-63 to 9-30-63. Leo Resnick, Atty.	GRANTED	7-31-63

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Chicago Heights, Illinois

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BMP-10,970 R. & F.	7-26-63 7-29-63	Mod. of CP (BP-11,872 as mod., which auth. a new standard broadcast station) to make chgs in the directional antenna pattern (DA-D) and change type trans. to Gates BC-1G.	GRANTED	1-14-64
BTC-4119 R. & F.	11-12-63 11-13-63	Involuntary Relinquish ^{ment of positive} control of permittee corporation. William S. Martin and J.B. Martin (as a family group) thru death of William S. Martin and appointment of Mrs. William S. Martin as Administratrix of the Estate of William S. Martin. Atty- Leo Resnick	GRANTED	1-3-64
BMP-10,970 Amend R&F	CON'T 12-31-63 1-2-64	AMENDED to make change in directional antenna pattern (DA-D)	GRANTED	1-14-64

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Chicago Heights, Illinois

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
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BL-10,470 Rec'd Filed PROG. TEST 8-16-64	7-26-63 7-29-63 1-14-64	Lic to cover CP(BP-11,872 as mod) which auth a new standard broadcast station: Atty- Leo Resnick Engr-Silliman, Moffet & Kowalski	GRANTED	9-15-65
PETITION TO DESIGNATE APPLICATION FOR HEARIN, TO REVOKE PROGRAM TEST AUTHORITY, AND FOR OTHER RELIEF, filed 3-19-64 by Czarra for WMBD				
SEAWAY'S OPPOSITION TO MIDWEST TELEVISION, INC. PETITION TO DES. etc. filed 4-15-64 by Resnick for WMPP				
CORRECTIONS OF TYPOGRAPHICAL ERRORS IN SEAWAY'S OPPOSITION filed 4-16-64 by Resnick				
REPLY TO OPPOSITION filed 4-22-64 by Czarra for WMBD				

FORM BC-121 #6
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Chicago Heights, Illinois

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BTC-4651 R & F	8-25-64 9-8-64	Voluntary acquisition of positive control of permitter corp. by Charles Pinckard (55%) thru purchase of stock from J. B. Martin and Edith Sampson Atty. - Samuel Miller	GRANTED	11-25-64 EFF:1-5-65
BRC-2962 R & F	9-12-66 9-15-66	Modification of license to operate trans- mitter by remote control from 14th St. and Ellis Ave., East Chicago Heights, Illinois (DA-D)	GRANTED	11-22-66
BR-4408 R & F SEP 19 1967	8-31-67 9-5-67	Renewal of License Atty: Samuel Miller	GRANTED	11-30-67
BR-4408 R & F PN Recd. PRESS SEP 10 1970	8-31-70 9-2-70 " SEP 10 1970	RENEWAL OF LICENSE 9-9-70 trans. logs filed AMENDED 10-7-70 re: programming AMENDED 10-9-70 reengineering data	GRANTED	1-18-71

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Name SEAWAY BROADCASTING COMPANY, INC.
Chicago Heights, Illinois

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BP-18,971 R & F #662723 \$50 ACC. 060 Press MAR 1 1971	2-4-71 2-5-71 2-5-71	Construction permit to install new transmitter Raytheon, RA-250 for auxiliary use on 250 watts DA-D.	GRANTED	3-5-71
BP-19,165 R & F \$50-054115 AC-056 APR 3 1972	3-21-72 3-23-72 3-23-72	CP to replace expired permit (BP-18,971) for new auxiliary transmitter.	GRANTED FORFEITED	4-6-72 Ltr. 5-18-73
BP-19,455 R & F \$50-208602 AC-060 PRESS: JUL 13 1973	6-25-73 6-27-73 6-27-73	Construction permit to install new Raytheon, RA-250 transmitter with 250watts, DA-D, Daytime and operated by remote control for auxiliary purposes only. Atty. Samuel Miller	GRANTED	7-23-73

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Chicago Heights, Illinois

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
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BR-4408 R & F P.N. PRESS	9-1-73 9-4-73 9-4-73 SEP 20 1973	Renewal of License Atty.: Samuel Miller AMENDED 10-9-73 re: eng. correction re type transmitter AMENDED 12-3-73 re: engineering data	GRANTED	4-9-74
BL-13586 R & F 550#258163 PTA PRESS 12 MAR 1974	11-30-73 12-3-73 12-4-73 12-13-73	Lic. to cover BP-19455 for New Auxiliary Trans. Raytheon Ra-250	GRANTED	4-30-74

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

1470khz

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Letters W M P PName SEAWAY BROADCASTING COMPANY, INC.
Chicago, Heights, Illinois

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
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BTC-7406 R & F FEE PD: \$250 #302266 CODE 047 (Form 316) APR 23 1974	4-10-74 4-12-74	Involuntary transfer of control of lic corp from Charles J. Pinckard, Sr. to Charles J. Pinckard, Jr., Administrator of the Estate of Charles J. Pinckard, Sr., Deceased Atty - Miller & Fields	GRANTED EFF:	5-31-74
BR-4408 R & F PN Recd. PRESS PRESS: OCT 1 1979	9-24-76 10-15-76 " OCT 20 1976 OCT 1 1979	RENEWAL OF LICENSE (MAIN & AUX. TRANS.) Mark E. Fields, Atty. AMENDED 9-7-77 re: programming SUPPLEMENTAL APPLICATION FILED 8-31-79 as an amendment to pending renewal application. (BR790831UA)		gt 3-1-77
BTC-790710EL FORM 315 PRESS: PN filed 9-27-79 " 10-15-79		Vol TC from Charles Pinckard, Jr., Administrator of the Estate of Charles Pinckard, Sr., Deceased; to James M. Benages, M.D. Atty - Clarence V. McKee AMENDED 9-27-79 re: Statement re EEOP program	GRANTED EFF:	10-18-79 12-5-79

BTC790710EL Amended 8-21-79 Request for expedited consideration & financial statements.

AMENDED 9-13-79 re: Form 324; bal. sheet & court order continuing to 9-25-79 on hearing by IRS.

AMENDED 10-15-79 re: bank letter & financial data

(BR790831UA) AMENDED 7-2-80 re: ascertain. of comm. needs & problems & programming

APPLICATION RECORD-BROADCASTING

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JANA BROADCASTING COMPANY INCORPORATED
 Name: ~~X~~ SEAWAY BROADCASTING COMPANY, INC.

Station Location: Chicago Heights, Illinois

File No.	Date	Description	Action and Date
BAL800911ES Form 316 PRESS	SEP 25 1980	Vol AL to Jana Broadcasting Company, Incorporated Atty Clarence V. McKee	GRANTED 4 10 81 EFF:
BP-810529AC (C) ACCEPTED CUT OFF DATE	7-15-81 8-21-81 7-14-81	Construction permit to chg hours of operation to unlimited by adding nighttime service with 1kw; increase daytime power to 1kw; chg to DA-2, and make chgs in ant system. MAJOR ENVIRONMENTAL ACTION UNDER SECTION 1.1305 ATTY: Clarence V. McKee Public Notice	

BAL-800911ES Amended 10-10-80 re: Section II, Paragraph
9(g) explanation of Joint Tenancy of Stock between
Michael A. Benages & His Father, It is for estate purposes
only.

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.

