

WVFR

BC-126  
June 1975

## BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed ..... Call letters WVFR (3-14-77)

Station location .....  
Ridgefield Center, Connecticut

Name of licensee Radio Ridgefield, Inc.

Transmitter location Town Transfer Station, Ridgefield Center, Conn. (MP 5-5-81)  
X Off Silver Spring Road, 0.75 mile South of Route #35, (BP-11-3-76)  
Ridgefield, Connecticut

Main studio location to be determined, Ridgefield Center, Connecticut (BP-11-3-76)

# CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From- To
BP-18,494(L)	11-17-76	850khz	500w	Daytime	11-11-77
BP-18,494(1)	3-14-77	Call Letters Assigned			
BBSA	3-14-77				
BMP-14,478(2)	11-25-77	MP(BP-18,494)	to extend		5-15-78
	completion	date to			
BMP-14,590 (3)	6-23-78	MP(BP-18,494, as mod.) for ext. of time to:			12-15-78
BMP-781114AI (4)	2-6-79	MP (BP-18494 as mod.) to extend completion date			7-29-79
BMP790803AH (5)	8/28/79	MP (BP-18,494, as mod.) for ext. of completion date to:			2/24/80
BMP800226AK (6)	6-19-80	MP (BP-18494 as Mod.) for ext. of time to:			10-15-80
BMP-801120AH (7)	2-11-81	MP (BP-18494, as Mod.) for ext. of time to:			7-31-81
BMP810105AM (L)	5-5-81	Mod. of CP (BP18494, as mod.) to mke chgs in ant sys TL & type tra			

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## APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call  
Letters NEW AMName RADIO RIDGEFIELD, INC.  
RIDGEFIELD, CONNECTICUT (PO Box 655, Ridgefield, Conn. 06877)  
Ridgefield Center,

File No.	Dated	Application for <small>500w non-D<sup>1</sup></small>	Action	
			Nature	Date
BP-18,494	2-27-69	CP for new AM on: 850kc, 1kw, daytime, -BA-B	<del>Returned - 4-3-69 -</del>	
Received	2-27-69	Trans.: Bauer 707 CCA Elec. AM-500D	<del>Not timely filed</del>	
Filed	2-27-69	T-SL: Off-Rte: #35 at corner of Farmingville	Inadvertently returned	
#495011 \$75	2-27-69	Ed., -Ridgefield, -Conn:	Designated for Hearing	
PRESS: APR 1969		REQUEST WAIVER OF SECTIONS 73.24(b)(1),	Min. 14 FEB 1973 19687	
PN REC'D:	4-10-69	73.37(a) AND 1.569(b)(2)(1) OF THE RULES.		
Refiled	4-8-69	Atty.: Edward J. Granier, Jr. (Sutherland, Asbill & Brennan)		
		Engr.: Edward F. Lorentz (Commercial Radio Equipment Company)	GRANTED	11-11-76
		Request for waiver of Sec. 1.227(b)(1) and 1.571(c) filed 3-4-69.	To:	11-11-77
		Amended 7-17-73 re Section III and VI submitted.		
		Amended 10-9-73 re Section II, Table II updated and Section IV-A updated.		
		Amended 10-11-73 re financial data updated (affidavit of Mr. Salerno filed).		
		Amended 3-18-74 re operating costs and bank letters submitted.		

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Letter 4-9-69 re: inadvertent return of application.

PETITION FOR ACCEPTANCE FOR FILING OF APPLICATION AND,  
IF NECESSARY, WAIVER OF CUTOFF RULES filed 6-9-69 by  
Edward J. Grenier, Jr. on behalf of applicant.

Amended (order) 3-21-75 re: page 1 Sec. 111, equipment  
proposal

Amended (order) 9-26-75 re: reduce power to 500w, chg. to  
non-DA, Trans. loc. Off Silver Spring Rd. 0.75 S. of Rt.  
35 Ridgefield Conn. Studio loc. To be determined,  
Ridgefield, Center, Conn. Trans. CCA Elec. AM-500D  
41° 15' 26" 73° 30' 09"

Amended (order) 11-6-75 re: Engineering Affidavit

Amended (order) 1-8-76 re: Supplemental infor, Photo, Sec.  
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Form BC-121  
May 1976

## APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call  
Letters WVFRName RADIO RIDGEFIELD, INC.  
Ridgefield Center, Connecticut

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BMP-14,478 R & F PRESS:	10-5-77 10-11-77	MP(BP-18,494) ext time to: <u>5-12-78</u> (NEW STATION) Atty.-Frank J. Martin, Jr.	GRANTED to	11-25-77 5-15-78
BMP-14,590 R & F PRESS:	4-24-78 5-2-78 MAY 12 1978	MP (BP-18,494, as mod) for extension of time to: <u>11-12-78</u> (NEW STATION) Atty: Frank J. Martin, Jr.	GRANTED TO	6-23-78 12-15-78
BMP781114AI PRESS	JAN 26 1979	MP (BP-18,494, as Mod.) for Extension of Time to: <u>5-10-79</u> (NEW STATION)	gr.	2-6-79
BMP790803AH PRESS (0)	AUG 16 1979	MP (BP-18,494, as Mod.) for Extension of Time to: _____ (NEW STATION) Atty. Frank J. Martin, Jr. (Sutherland, Asbill & Brennan)	GRANTED	8/28/79

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## APPLICATION RECORD-BROADCASTING

850KHz

Call Letters: W V F R

Name: RADIO RIDGEFIELD, INC.

Station Location: RIDGEFIELD CENTER, CONNECTICUT

File No.	Date	Description	Action and Date
BMP-800226AK PRESS: (o)		MP(BP-18494 as mod) for extension of time to: _____ (NEW STATION)	GRANTED 6-19-80 TO 10-15-80
BMP801120AH PRESS (O)	DEC 10 1980	MP (BP-18,494, as Mod.) For Extension of Time to: _____ (NEW STATION)  Atty. Frank J. Martin (Sutherland,Asbill & Bernnan)	GRANTED: 2-11-81 TO: 7-31-81

## 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 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.

