

WCSO

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EDUCATIONAL-FM

BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed SEPTEMBER 23, 1981

Call letters WCSO

Station location Signal Mtn., Tenn.

Name of licensee CHATTANOOGA STATE TECHNICAL COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Transmitter location Old Anderson Pike, Signal Mountain, Tennessee (PED-2652 3-13-79)

Main studio location 4501 Annicola Highway, Chattanooga, Tennessee (MPED 2-19-81) RC
No to be determined, Signal Mountain, Tennessee (PED-2652 3-13-79)

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From - To
BPED-2652 HAAT: 950' (L)	3-13-79 (H&V)	91.5mhz	ERP: 200w (H&V) Class: A ch.# 218 CP for NEW FM STATION		3-13-80
BPED-2652 (1)	5/10/79	CALL LETTERS & BBSA ISSUED			
BMPED800131AF (2)	4-24-80	MP (BPED-2652) for ext. of time to: 10-23-80			
BPED-2652 COMTEL	3-13-79 10-17-80	SUPERSEDE TO CORRECT THE CONDITIONS. 3-13-80. AUTH. & TERMS COMTEL 9-12-80 EXT. THRU 1-9-81 PENDING COMMISSION ACTION ON APPLICATION.			
BMPED801016AG HAAT: 950' (L)	2-19-81 (H&V)	91.5mhz	ERP: .2kw (H&V) Mod. of CP (BPED2652 as mod.) to mk chgs SL, RC, type trans & ant & TPO.		8-19-81

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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Letters **NEW EDUC FM**

Name **Chattanooga State Technical Community College**
Signal Mountain, Tennessee (PO 4501 Amnicola Highway, Chattanooga, Tennessee 37406)

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BPED-2652 R&F PRESS: JUL 10 1978 PN filed	3-6-78 3-13-78 2-12-79	Construction permit for new Educ FM on: Frequency: 91.5MHz #218 ERP: 0.137KW HAAT: 946' trans GATES FM 250H3 Ant: PHELPS-DODGE CP-1000-2(DA), 2 sections TL: Old Anderson Pike, Signal Mountain, Tennessee SL&RC: to be determined, Signal Mountain, Tennessee 35° 09' 42" 85° 19' /06" ATTY:----- ENGR: Scott Baxter (Brentwood, Tennessee)	GRANTED	3-13-79
AMENDED	7-31-78	topographical maps, info on elevation (ant radiation) power gain)		
Amended	2-12-79	re: Annual Financial report		

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APPLICATION RECORD-BROADCASTING

91.5MHz

Call Letters: W C S O

Name: CHATTANOOGA STATE TECHNICAL COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Station Location: SIGNAL MOUNTAIN, TENNESSEE

File No.	Date	Description	Action and Date
BMPED-800131AF PRESS: (o)		MP(BPED-2652) for extension of time to April 30, 1980(new station)	GRANTED 4-24-80
BLED-800910AA PTA PRESS	SEP 23 1980	License to cover (BPED-2652, as mod.) for a new station. Atty: ---	GRANTED 9-23-81

APPLICATION RECORD-BROADCASTING

91.5MHz.

Call Letters: W C S O

Name: CHATTANOOGA STATE TECHNICAL COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Station Location: CHATTANOOGA, TENNESSEE

File No.	Date	Description	Action and Date
BMPED801016AG PRESS (0)	NOV 12 1980	Mod. of CP (BPED-2652, as Mod.) To make chgs. in Ant. Sys.; Locate SL & RC at: 4501 Amnicola Hwy., Chattanooga, Tenn.; chg. type Trans. (HARRIS FM-300k)(Type Non-Accepted); chg. type Ant. (PHELPS-DODGE CP-1000-4, 4 sects. Circular Polarized) & chg. TPO.	GRANTED 2-19-81 Cond'1
BMLED-810504AP PRESS: (0)	MAY 21 1981	Modification of License ^{On Campus} to chg SL: /Chattanooga State Technical Community College, Chattanooga, Tennessee	

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.

FM History Cards were initiated in the early 1940s, with the authorization of the earliest FM stations in the FM band, then at 42 to 50 MHz. (The band was shifted to its present location, 88 to 108 MHz, in 1946.) 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 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). Prior to that move, 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.

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.

