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NON COMMERCIAL EDUCATIONAL FM

BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed November 4, 1970

Call letters WRBB

Station location BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS

Name of licensee NORTHEASTERN UNIVERSITY

50 Leon Street, Boston, Massachusetts (PED-11-24-81)0

Transmitter location x360 Huntington Avenue, Boston, Massachusetts (BPED-2-10-70)

360 Huntington Avenue, Boston, Massachusetts (PED-2-10-70)

02115
Main studio location SAME AS TRANSMITTER

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From- To
BPED-1059 HAAT:--'	2-10-70	91.7mcs Ch#219	TPO:10watts ERP:--		4-10 10-10-70
		CP: FOR NEW STATION.			
BPED-1059 (1)	4-6-70	CALL LETTERS ASSIGNED.			
BPED-710 (2)	8-3-70	MP(BPED-1059) chg ant, trans.			
BLED-827(L)	11-4-70	Lic. for new Non-Comm. station 4-1-72 (BPED-1059, as mod.)			
BRED-466	3-30-72	Renewal of License			4-1-75
EBSA	5-15-72				
BRED-466(S)	3-31-75	Renewal of License			4-1-78
BPED-2109(L)	12-12-75	91.7mhz	TPO: 10 Watts U		12-12-76
		CP install new ant			
BRED-466(L)	3-31-78	Renewal of License			4-1-81

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters WRBB
NEW-EDUC-FM

Name Northeastern University
Boston, Massachusetts (PO 360 Huntington Avenue, Boston, Massachusetts 02115)

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BPED-1,059 R & F NO FEE REQUIRED: PRESS: JAN 1870 PN REC'd: 1-13-70	11-13-69 12-24-69	CP for New EDUC. FM on: 91.7mc. #219 TPO: 10 watts Trans: Gates-BFE-10C; Ant: Gates-FM-22, 2 sects T-SL: 360 Huntington Ave., Boston, Mass. 42° 20' 21" - 71° 05' 18" Atty - Frank J. Martin, Jr. (Sutherland, Asbill etc.) Engr - Norman L. Rivers (Fitchburg, Mass.)	GRANTED	2-10-70
AMENDED 3-19-70 PETITION FOR RECONSIDERATION FILED BY BRANDEIS UNIVERSITY	1-27-70	Re chgs. in Officer & Directors		

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

NON-COMM. ED.

Call
Letters WRBBName NORTHEASTERN UNIVERSITY
BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BMPED-710 R & F NO FEE REQUIRED: PRESS: <u>NOV 2 1970</u>	3-31-70 4-8-70	MP(BPED-1059)chg. Trans(CCA-FM-10DS); Ant(CCA-6812, 3 sects); make changes in antenna system(Increase Height).	GRANTED	8-3-70
BLED-827 R & F PTA- PRESS <u>NOV 2 1970</u>	9-8-70 9-14-70 9-21-70	License (BPED-1,059, as mod.) for NEW Non- commercial FM B/C Station	GRANTED	11-5-70
BRED-466 R & F PRESS <u>NOV 19 1972</u>	12-29-71 1-3-72	Renewal of License AMENDED 2-3-72 re: Section VI & Exhibits	GRANTED	3-30-72
BRED-466 R & F PN Recd. PRESS <u>DEC 16 1974</u>	11-12-74 11-27-74 " DEC 16 1974	RENEWAL OF LICENSE	GRANTED	3-31-75

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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Letters W..R..R..R.....

Name **NORTHEASTERN UNIVERSITY**
Boston, Massachusetts

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BPED-2109 R & F NO FEE REQUIRED PRESS	10-7-75 10-14-75 DEC 8 1975	CP to install new ant. (CCA Electronics 6812, 4 sects.); make changes in antenna system. Atty: Frank R. Martin Engr: Edward F. Perry, Jr.	GRANTED	12-12-75
BRED-466 R & F PN Recd. PRESS	11-29-77 12-2-77 12-2-77 DEC 27 1977	Renewal of License	GRANTED	3-31-78
BPED-801215AK ACCEPTED PN RECD. MAR 11 '81	12-30-80	Construction permit to change frequency: 9 MHz.; #285, chg. TL: 50 Leon Street Boston, Massachusetts, chg. ERP: .0185 kW; 78' and make chgs. in antenna system Atty: Louis Schwartz	GRANTED:	11-24-81

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APPLICATION RECORD-BROADCASTING

Call Letters: WRBB

Name: NORTHEASTERN UNIVERSITY

Station Location: BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS

File No.	Date	Description	Action and Date
BRED-801201XF PRESS	JAN 21 1981	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Atty. Louis Schwartz, Woods, & Miller	gr 4/22/81

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.

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.

