

W V P R

BC-126
June 1975

NON-COMMERCIAL EDUCATIONAL FM

BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

OFFICIAL NO. 976

W V P R-Eff.-2-6-78

Date first licensed 4-10-78

Call letters XWVPA-FM

Station location Windsor
Colchester, Vt.

Name of licensee VERMONT PUBLIC RADIO

Transmitter location Summit of Mt. Ascutney, Windsor, Vermont {PED 9-7-76}

Windsor House, 63 Main Street, Windsor, Vermont (ltr. 1-11-77)
xTo be determined, Windsor, Vermont (Ltr. 10-27-76)
Main studio location xTo-be-determined, Colchester, Vermont {PED 9-7-76}

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From - To
BPED-2169 HAAT: 2160' {L}	9-7-76 {H&V}	89.5MHz	ERP: 1.25kw	{H&V} U Class-B {RC}	9-7-77
			ch. 208		CP new EDUC FM Station
Ltr.	10-27-76	SL & RC	To be determined,		Windsor, Vt
Ltr.	1-11-77	SL & RC	established at:		
	Windsor House,	63 Main	Street,	Windsor,	Vermont
BPED-2169 (L)	1-17-77	Call letters assigned.		& EBSA	
		& chg. Station Location			
EBSA	2-6-78	Chg. Call			
BLED-1698 HAAT: 2160'	4-10-78 (H&V)	89.5MHz #208	ERP: 1.25kw	{H&V} (RC)	4-1-81
	License to cover	(BPED-2169) for new station.			
BSCA800324AG	5-2-80	SCA of 67 khz.			4-1-81

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call WVPA-FM
Letters X-NEW-EDUC-FM

Name Vermont Public Radio
Windsor Colchester, Vermont (PO 51 Park St., Essex Junction, Vermont 05452)

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BPED-2169 R & F No Fee Required Press P. N. Rec'd	12-12-75 12-12-75 FEB 24 1976 1-23-76	CP for New Educ. FM on: 89.5mhz #208 ERP: 1.26KW HAAT: 2156' Trans: RCA BTF-1.5 + 1.5E1; Ant: RCA BFC-2, 2 sects. TL: Summit of Mt. Ascutney, Windsor, Vermont SL-RC: To-Be-Determined, Colchester, Vermont 43° 26' 17" - 72° 27' 08" Atty: Robert J. Pope (Covington & Burling) Engr: William V. Weakley (Alexandria, Virginia)	GRANTED COND'L	9-7-76
JOINT REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF AGREEMENT REMOVING POTENTIAL CONFLIT BETWEEN FM CHANNEL 208 APPLICATION OF VERMONT PUBLIC RADIO, INC. AND TRUSTESS OF UNION COLLEGE filed 8-4-76 by Robert Jones on behalf of Vermont Public Radio				

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Letters **X WVPA-FM**Name **Vermont Public Radio**
Windsor, Vermont

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BLED-1698 R & F PTA PRESS AUG 29 1977	8-1-77 8-2-77 8-10-77	Lic. (BPED-2169) New Stn. SL/RC: 54 Main St., Windsor House, Windsor, Vt. Trans: HARRIS, FM-5H3 Ant: HARRIS, 1053-1SL, 1 section TPO: 3.21 kilowatts Atty. Joseph Volpe, III Engr. Warren C. Chase	GRANTED COND'L Licensee shall not object to future assignment with ERP; and HAAT at Lennoxville, Quebec on Ch. 209 at St. Jean, Quebec.	4-10-78
BSCA800324AG PRESS (0)	MAY 5 1980	Request for Subsidiary Communications Authorization on a Subcarrier Frequency of 67 Kiloherztz.	GRANTED	5-2-80
BRED801128VU BRSCA801128VU PRESS	JAN 12 1981	RENEWAL OF LICENSE RENEWAL OF SCA AMENDED 2-27-81 re: ascert. of comm. needs & problems	GRANTED	3-30-81

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.

