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FM B/C

BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed 8-15-62

Call letters KTSM-FM

Station location El Paso, Texas

Name of licensee TRI-STATE BROADCASTING COMPANY

Transmitter location At Ranger Peak on Franklin Mountain, 1 mile NW of El Paso, Texas

79902

Main studio location 801 North Oregon Street, El Paso, Texas

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From To
BPH-3240	2-15-61	99.9mcs	27-kw	Unl.	4-15-61
HAAT:1,850'		Ch. 260	TP0: 5-kw		10-15-61
<u>Construction permit for a new FM broadcast station.</u>					
BMPH-6947 (1)	10-9-61	Mod. of CP(BPH-3240) for			extension of
		completion date to			4-15-62.
BMPH-7152 (2)	4-13-62	Mod. of CP(BPH-3240 as mod.) for ext.			of completion date to
					5-31-62/
BLH-2114	8-15-62	99.9mcs	27kw	U	8-15 8-1-65
HAAT:1,850ft.			TOP: 5kw		
	Lic. to cover CP (BPH-3240, as mod) which auth. a new FM B/C Station and spec. RCA BTF-5D trans.				
BRH-1365	7-7-65	Renewal of License			8-1 8-1-68
BRH-1365(S)	7-22-68	RENEWAL & NDEA			8-1-71
Telegram rec'd 7-14-		69 Transmitter: RCA BTF-5D, with erato RCA BTE-15A/BTS-1B Exciter/Stereo Gen/			
BRH-1365(L)	7-29-71	RENEWAL & NDEA			8-1-74
EBSA	5-25-72				
BPH-8530	8-30-73	99.9mhz. ERP: 87kw(H&V)			8-30-74
HAAT: 1820' (H&V)		#260 Class C CP install new trans., ant., chg. transmission line, ERP, HAAT.			
BMPH-14,190 (1)	9-11-74	MP(BPH-8530) ext. time to			11-30-74
BRH-1365	7-31-74	(S) RENEWAL OF LICENSE			8-1-77
BRH-1365(S)	12-13-74	Renewal of License			8-1-77
BLH 6564(L)	3-26-75	Lic.(BPH-8530)-Changes			8-1-77
BRH-1365	8-11-77	(S) REN. OF LICENSE			8-1-80
BRH800326UG (S)	7-18-80	RENEWAL OF LICENSE			8-1-83

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

AUG. 1955

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Letters ~~new~~ **KTSM-FM**Name TRI-STATE BROADCASTING COMPANYEl Paso, Texas (P.O. - c/o Karl O. Wyler, Pres., 801 North Oregon St., El Paso, Texas)

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BPH-3240	12-8-60	Construction permit for a new FM broadcast station to be operated on: Frequency - 99.9mc CH 260 ERP - 26.775kw Type transmitter - RCA BTF 5B Type antenna - RCA BFA 6A (6 section) HAAT 1847 ft Trans. location - On Franklin Mountain at Ranger Peak, 1 mile NW of El Paso, Texas Studio location - 801 North Oregon Street El Paso, Texas Atty. - Loucks & Jansky Engr. - George P. Adair	GRANTED HAAT: ERP:	2-15-61 1,850' 27-kw
Rec'd	12-21-60			
Filed	12-21-60			
BPH-6947	9-19-61	Mod of CP (BPH-3240 which auth a new FM B/C station) for extension of completion date from 10-15-61 to _____ Atty: Loucks & Jansky	GRANTED to	10-9-61 4-15-62
R&F	9-25-61			

FORM BC-121 #2
AUG. 1955

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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Name TRI-STATE BROADCASTING COMPANY
El Paso, Texas

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BMPH-7152 R & F	3-19-62 3-20-62	Mod. of CP(BPH-3240, as mod. which auth a new FM B/C Station) for extension of completion date from 4-15-62 to 5-15-62. Atty. - <u>Loucks</u> & Jansky	GRANTED	4-13-62 to 5-31-62
BLH-2114 R & F	5-25-62 5-31-62	Lic to cover CP (BPH-3240, as modified) which auth a new FM broadcast station and specify an RCA Type BTF-5D transmitter Attys: <u>Loucks</u> & Jansky	GRANTED	8-15-62
BRH-1365 R & F	4-29-65 5-3-65	Renewal of License Carl H. Imlay, Atty. (Wilner & Bergson)	GRANTED	7-7-65
BRH-1365 R & F #425612 \$420 JUN 10 1958	4-30-68 5-1-68 5-1-68	RENEWAL OF LICENSE AMENDED 6-24-68 re: Engineering Attys-Wilner, Scheiner & Greeley (Edw. P. Taptich) F.C.C. - WASHINGTON, D. C.	GRANTED	7-22-68

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Form BC-121
September 1969

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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Letters KTSM-FMName TRI-STATE BROADCASTING COMPANY
EL PASO, TEXAS

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BRH-1365 R & F PN Recd. PRESS MAY 27 1971	4-30-71 5-3-71 "	RENEWAL OF LICENSE J.R.Wilner, Atty.	GRANTED	7-29-71
BPH-8530 R & F #216447 \$50 Code 057 Press AUG 23 1973	7-18-73 7-20-73 7-23-73	CP to install new trans. (RCA BTF-20E1); install new ant. (RCA BFC-12B, 12 sects. (H&V); chg. transmission line; ERP: 100KW (H&V) and HAAT: 1816' (H&V). Atty: John R. Wilner	GRANTED	8-30-73
BRH-1365 R & F PN Recd. PRESS MAY 24 1974	4-30-74 5-3-74 "	RENEWAL OF LICENSE AMENDED 7-5-74 re: EEO program	GRANTED Issued in error GRANTED	7-31-74 12-13-74

FORM BC-121 #4
AUG. 1955

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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Name **TRI-STATE BROADCASTING COMPANY**
El Paso, Texas

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BMPH-14,190 R & F #330308 \$50 Code 057 Press:	7-25-74 7-29-74 7-31-74 AUG 23 1974	MP(BPH-8530) ext. time to 11-30-74. (Changes) Atty: John R. Wilner	GRANTED TO	9-11-74 11-30-74
BLH-6564 R & F W 368291-\$50. PTA PRESS	11-21-74 11-25-74 11-25-74-057 12-6-74 1975	Lic.(BPH-8530, as mod.)-Changes. Atty: <u>Wilner</u> & Scheiner	GRANTED	3-26-75
BRH-1365 R & F P.N. PRESS	3-17-77 3-30-77 3-30-77 APR 22 1977	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Atty. John R. Wilner (Wilner & Scheiner) AMENDED 7-25-77 re: programming	GRANTED	8-11-77
BRH 800326 PRESS	UG APR 24 1980	RENEWAL OF LICENSE	GRANTED	7-18-80

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.

