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BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD
FM BROADCAST

Date first licensed 10-12-65

WBRU (Ltr. 7-19-65)

Call letters XWPFM
LOCATION: PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLANDName of licensee
BROWN BROADCASTING SERVICE, INC. (AL-5-27-65; EFF: 7-26-65)
x GOLDEN GATE CORPORATION (ALH-7-30-58 EFF: 9-1-58)
x PLANTATIONS BROADCASTING CORPORATIONTransmitter location
115 Eastern Avenue, East Providence, Rhode Island (PH 6-8-76)
x Sciences Library, Brown University Thayer & Waterman Sts., Providence, Rh. Is. (PH 6-29-72)
x 69 Brown St., Providence, R. I. (PH 11-15-65)
x 108 State Street, Providence, Rhode IslandMain studio location
75 Waterman St., Providence, R. I. (PH 11-15-65)
x Same

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From- To
BPH-2029	5-25-55	95.5mc (CH. 238)	3.2kw	Unl.	7-25-55 to 1-25-56
Cond: Sec.	3.204 waived; less than 1 mv/m sig. over Newport.				
Wire	5-31-55	RETEL 25.	Interim op. auth. 30 days		
WIRE	6-21-55	EXT. SE	Interim re: C.P. to 7-31-55		
Wire	7-28-55	RELET 25.	Interim op. ext. to 9-30-55		
WIRE	10-5-55	PROG. TEST authorized re BPH-2029			
LH-1083	10-12-55	Lic. to cover BPH-2029 unmodified 95.5mcs. ERP 3.2 kw, Ferr: 170 feet TO 4-1-57 (L)			
BTC-2256	10-10-56	Vol. acq. of positive control from Philip Marcus & Donald Silverman to Karl S. Kritz thru sale of Stock			
EFF:	2-2-57				
3-27-57	Action on ren. def. re operating power				
WIRE	1-17-58	REMAIN SILENT PENDING RECEIPT & ACTION			
---	FORMS 301	& 302 RE ANTENNA CHANGE			
IRM 795	7-30-58	95.5mc Ch. 238	3.2kw HAAT: 170'	Unlimited	7-30 4-1-60
BALH-327	7-30-58	Voluntary assignment of license to Golden Gate Corporation.			
EFF:	9-1-58				
BPH-2635	7-17-59	CP to increase ERP; decrease HAAT; install a new antenna; and install a new transmitter (Gates FM-5B). 95.5 mc 20 kw Ch. 238 HAAT: 165'			
BMPH-6104	12-28-59	Extension of completion date 6-30-60			
(1)					
BRH-795	3-30-60	CH 238 95.5	3.2kw	HAAT 170' U	4-1 4-1-63
BPH-3080	7-29-60	95.5 HAAT 165' CH 238 20kw		U	9-29 3-29-61
	C.P. to replace expired C.P. (BPH-2635) which auth. incr. in ERP, decr. HAAT, install new ant. & trans.				
BMPH-6622	3-8-61	Mod. CP (BPH-3080) to replace expired CP, to change transmitter, antenna and TPO To 3.6 kilowatts.			
#1.					
BMPH-6649	3-28-61	Ext. completion date to 5-15-61.			
#2.					

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Official No. 795

BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed 10-12-55

Call letters W B R U
x W P P M

Station location Providence, Rhode
Island

Name of licensee X GOLDEN GATE CORPORATION

Transmitter location 108 State Street, Providence, Rhode Island

Main Studio Location Same

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

APPL. NO.	DATE ISSUED	FREQ.	POWER	TIME DIV.	PERIOD FROM TO
BPH-1045 HAAT: 165 ft.	8-15-61	95.5mc Ch. 230	20kw TPO: 3.6 kw	Unl.	8-15-61 4-1-63
		License to cover CP(BPH-2035, as mod.) to incr. ERP, decr. HAAT, chg. ant. to RCA, BFA-6A, & trans. to RCA, BTF-5B,			
BSCA-390	3-20-62	Subsidiary Comm.		Auth. 67kw	4-1-63
BLH-2051 HAAT: 165ft.	5-2-62	95.5mcs	6.2kw TOP: 1kw	AUX.	5-2 4-1-63
		Lic. to use old main trans. (GE BT-2A) for aux. purp. with ERP of 6.2kw.			
	3-27-63	COMMISSION DEFERRED ACTION ON RENEWAL PENDING FURTHER CONSIDERATION.			
BRH-795	4-30-63	Renewal of license (M & A) 4-30 4-1-66			
BFSCA-390	4-30-63	Subsidiary Communications Authoriza- tion on multiplex basis to 4-1-66			
BALH-778 & BASCA-188 BTF	5-27-65 7-16-65	Voluntary assignment of license to BROWN BROADCASTING SERVICE, INC.			
Wire	7-21-65	Auth. remain silent thru			10-1-65.
BPH-5140 HAAT: 110'	11-15-65	95.5mc.	ERP: 20kw.	Unl.	1-15-66 7-15-66
		ch. #238 TPO: 3.3kw. CP to chg ant-trans location to 69 Brown St., Providence, R.I., chg studio location to and operate trans by remote control from 75 Waterman St., Providence Rhode Island, decr TPO; and HAAT:			
Wire	12-30-65	Auth remain silent thru			2-1-66.
BLH-3170 BRH-795	5-19-66	95.5mcs	ERP: 20kw	U	5-19 4-1-69
		HAAT: 110'	CH#238	TPO: 3.3kw	
		Lic to cover CP(BPH-5140) which auth chg ant-trans loc chg studio loc, operat RC and decr TPO & HAAT Renewal of Lic.			
BRH-795(S)	4-17-69	Renewal of License			4-17 4-1-72
Comtel	2-19-70	Trans: RCA, Type No. BTF-5B, modified with a Collins Type 310Z-1 exciter and filter (Collins Part No. 241-0488-000).			
Ltr. dated	8-19-70	Trans.: RCA-BTF-5B modified by the installation of RCA-BTE-10C exciter now installed.			

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BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

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Station location PROVIDENCE, R. I.

Name of licensee

Transmitter location

Main studio location

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From To
EBSA	5-22-72				
BRH-795(L)	3-30-72	RENEWAL			4-1-75
BPH-7801(L) HAAT: 220' (H&V) (RC)	6-29-72	95.5mc #238 trans.	ERP: 50kw(H&V)	Unl.	6-29-73
BMPH-13,581(1)	9-11-72	MP(BPH-7801)	make changes in transmission line and specify null fill-in. chg. TPO		
BLH-5681(L) BLH-5682	1-18-73	95.5mhz 50kwH&V Lic(BPH-7801)	220' H&V	RC	4-1-75
BLH-5682	1-18-73	Lic. use former main as 95.5mhz 20kw 110' RC	Aux		4-1-75
BRH-795(S)	3-31-75	Renewal	(Main & Aux.)		4-1-78
BSCA-1479	7-21-75	SCA	67 KHz.		
BPH-9381 HAAT: 420' (H&V) {L}	6-8-76	95.5MHz CP chg	ERP: 46kw(H&V)	U	6-8-77
BMPH-14899 HAAT: 440' (H&V) {L}	9-15-76	95.5MHz MP{BPH-9381}	ERP: 20kw (H&V)	U	6-8-77
BMSCA-455	9-30-76	Mod of SCA	chg programming		
BLH-7375	11-22-77	Lic(BPH-9381, as mod)	chg		4-1-78
95.5MHz #238		ERP: 20kw H&V	HAAT: 440' H&V	(RC)	
BRH-795	3-13-78	(S) REN. OF LIC.	MAIN, AUX. & ANT. &		
BRSCA-390	"	SCA			4-1-81

Name **PLANTATIONS BROADCASTING CORPORATION**
108 STATE STREET, PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BPH-2029 Recd. & Filed	4-18-55	C.P. for a new Class B FM B/c stations Frequency: 95.5 mcs. Ch. 238 ERP: 3.2 kW Unlimited Ant. ht. above average Terr: 170 ft. (GE BT-2-A 1 kw) T-L: & S-L: 108 State St. Providence, Rhode Island Amend. recd. 5-16-55 re Stock (members of corp.)	GRANTED	5-25-55
	4-19-55			* CONDITION: Sec. 3.204 of Rules waived
BLH-1083 Recd & filed	9-30-55	License to cover the above Philip	GRANTED	10-12-55
	10-3-55			* Condition: as above
BT C-2256 Recd & Filed	5-21-56	Vol. acq. positive control from/Marcus and Donald Silverman to Karl S. Fritz (thru sale of 20 shares (66 2/3%) of stock. In response to Comm. ltr. 7-11-56 re: financing. Amendment 9-24-56, balance sheet	GRANTED	10-10-56
	6-1-56			EFF: 2-1-57
	AMENDED Recd. & Filed			7-12-56 7-16-56

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Name PLANTATIONS, INC., CORP.

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BRY-795 Rec'd & filed	1-23-57 2-6-57	Renewal of license	23 on file GRANTED	7-30-58
BALH-327 Rec'd Resub. Rec'd & Filed	4-28-58 4-29-58 5-6-58 5-8-58	Voluntary assignment of license to Golden Gate Corporation.	RETURNED Filed on Form 315 GRANTED	5-2-58 Rec 7-30-58
BPH-2635 Rec'd Filed	3-10-59 3-18-59 3-18-59	Construction permit to increase ERP from 3.2kw to 14.5kw; increase HAAT from 170' to 550'; change trans. loc. from 102 State Street, Providence, R. I. to Pine Street, Rehoboth, Mass.; operate trans. by remote control from 102 State Street, Providence, R. I.; install a new antenna (Andrew (Multi-V)-1304-1-4 sec.) and install a new trans. (GATES FM-5B).	GRANTED	7-17-59
AMENDMENT R & F	6-29-59 6-29-59	AMENDED to increase ERP to 20kw; decrease HAAT to 164 ft; change type antenna (Andrew 1306-1; 6 section); delete request to change transmitter location; delete request for remote control operation of transmitter. Atty. - Cottons & Schneider. Engr. - George C. Davis		

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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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Name GOLDEN GATE CORPORATION

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BMPH-6104 R & F	12-1-59 12-3-59	Modification of C. P. (BPH-2635 which authorized increase of ERP, decrease HAAT, install new antenna, & instl. a new transmitter) for extension of completion date from 1-17-60 to 6-30-60.	GRANTED to	12-28-59 6-30-60
BPH-795 Rec'd & Filed	3-3-60 3-10-60	Renewal of license.	GRANTED	3-30-60
BPH-3080 Rec'd Resubmitted: R & F	7-6-60 7-7-60 7-19-60 7-20-60	Construction Permit to replace expired C. P. (BPH-3035) which authorized increase in ERP, decrease in HAAT, instl. new antenna & instl. new transmitter.	Returned not signed by officer of appl. Corporation. GRANTED	7-13-60 7-29-60
BMPH-6622 R & F	2-17-61 2-20-61	Mod. of C.P. (BPH-3080 which authorized increase in ERP, decrease HAAT, installation of new transmitter and antenna) to change type transmitter to RCA BTF-5B and type antenna to RCA BFA-6A.	GRANTED	3-8-61

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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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Letters W P F MName GOLDEN GATE CORPORATION
Providence, R. I.

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BMPH-6649 R & F	3-2-61 3-6-61	Mod. of C.P. (BPH-2635 as modified which authorized a change in ERP, HAAT, installation of new transmitter and antenna) for extension of completion date from 3-29-61 to 5-1-61 as mod.	GRANTED	3-28-61 to 5-15-61
BLH-1845 R & F	4-27-61 5-1-61	Lic. to cover CP(BPH-2635) to increase ERP to 20kw, decrease HAAT to 164', Change antenna to Andrew 1305-1, 6-section RCA BFA-6A, 6-sections and transmitter to RCA BTF-5B	GRANTED	8-15-61 ERP: 20kw HAAT: 165'
BSCA-390 R & F	1-30-62 1-31-62	Request for Subsidiary Communications Authorization on 67kc.	GRANTED	3-20-62 67kc
BLH-2051 R & F	1-22-62 1-24-62	License to use old main transmitter (G.E. BT-2-A) for auxiliary purposes with ERP of 6.2kw	GRANTED	5-2-62
BRH-795 R & F	1-23-63 1-25-63	Renewal of License (Main and Auxiliary)	GRANTED	4-30-63
BRCA-390 R & F	1-23-63 1-25-63	Renewal of SCA	GRANTED	4-30-63

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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Name **BROWN BROADCASTING SERVICE, INC.**
*** GOLDEN GATE CORPORATION**
Providence, Rhode Island

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BALH-778	3-31-65	Voluntary assignment of license to BROWN BROADCASTING SERVICE, INC. AMENDED to include Subsidiary Communications Authorization Atty. - Richard C. O'Hare	GRANTED	5-27-65
R & F	4-5-65		EFP	7-16-65
BASCA-188	4-12-65			
R & F	4-14-65			
LTR. dated 7-16-65 from Licensee to remain silent to 10-1-65 B/C 7-20-65				
BPH-	9-3-65	Construction permit to change ant-trans location to 69 Brown St., Providence, Rhode Island, change studio location to and operate trans by remote control from 75 Waterman St., Providence, Rhode Island, increase TPO to 4.921kw, increase ERP to 30kw, and decrease HAAT to 112'. Atty: Richard C. O'Hare	Ret'd	9-27-65 re short-spacing.
Received	9-14-65			
TELEGRAM dated 10-1-65 from licensee re ext. remain silent B/C 10-1-65				

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Letters W B R UName BROWN BROADCASTING SERVICE, INC.
PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BPH-5140 R&F	10-5-65 10-11-65	Construction permit to change ant-trans location to 69 Brown St., Providence, Rhode Island, change studio location to and operate trans by remote control from 75 Waterman St., Providence, Rhode Island, decrease TPO to 3.334kw, and decrease HAAT to 112'. Atty: Richard C. O'Hare	GRANTED	11-15-65
BRH-795 R & F	12-20-65 12-27-65	Renewal of license (Main)	GRANTED see BLH-3170	5-19-66
BLH-3170 R & F	1/31/66 2/3/66	Lic. to cover CP (BPH-5140) which auth. chng. ant-trans. loc., chng. studio loc., operate RC, and decrease TPO & HAAT.	GRANTED see BRH-795	5-19-66
BRSCA- Rec'd Ltr. 1-2-68	12-23-65 12-26-65	Renewal of SCA Harry M. Plotkin of Arent, Fox, Kintner, Plotkin & Kahn now attys.	Returned Request of licensee	3-23-66

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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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Name BROWN BROADCASTING SERVICE, INC.
Providence, Rhode Island

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BRH-795 R & F #481147 \$75.00 PRESS FEB 7 1969	12-27-68 1-2-69 1-2-69	Renewal of license AMENDED 2-4-69 re: Engineering AMENDED 3-14-69 re: Financial data Atty. Peter Tannenwald AMENDED 4-1-69 re: Engineering	GRANTED	4-17-69
BRH-795 R & F PN Recd. PRESS FEB 4 1972	12-16-71 1-3-72	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Peter Tannenwald, Atty AMENDED 2-3-72 re: bal sheet; bus. interest AMENDED 3-24-72 re: prog.; equal empl. prog.	GRANTED	3-30-72
BPH-7801 R & F #045452 \$200 Code 015 Press MAR 10 1972 P. N. Rec'd 3-20-72 PN Rec'd: 4-21-72	2-11-72 2-28-72 2-28-72	CP to chg. TL to: Brown University Sciences Library Thayer and Waterman Strs., Providence, R.I. new trans. (RCA BTF-10E1); make chg. ant. system; chg. TPO; ERP: 50kw(Max.) (H&V); HAAT: 220' (H&V); install new Ant (RCA-BFG-6AD, 6 sects). 41° 49' 37" - 71° 24' 02"	GRANTED	6-29 72 grant fee \$1800 00 Paid: 015 7-24-72. Conditions W 093251

BPH-7801 (CONTINUED)

~~ANNEX~~ Ltr. 4-20-72: from William Malone, Eng. behalf Station WHRB-FM protesting grant of BPH-7801.

Ltr. 4-26-72 from Peter Tannenwald Request that WHRB-FM's objections be dismissed for lack of standing or denied on the merits and that WBRU's application be granted promptly.

By Direction LETTER 6-28-72. Dismissed objection of April 20, 1972 filed by WHRB-FM.

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Name BROWN BROADCASTING SERVICE, INC.
Providence, Rhode Island

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BMPH-13,581 R & F #098042 \$50 Code 061 PRESS	8-4-72 8-7-72 8-7-72 AUG 15 1972	MP (BPH-7801) make changes in transmission line and specify null fill-in. Atty: Peter Tannenwald	GRANTED	8-22-72
BLH-5681 Rec'd W 130939-\$100 Amended & F PTA	11-22-72 11-24-72 11-24-72 11-30-72 11-30-72	Lic.(BPH-7801, as mod.) for changes. AC-068 - for Main & Aux. re noise meas. for Main & Aux.	GRANTED	1-18-73 73
BLH-5682 R & F PRESS	11-22-72 11-24-72 JAN 9 1973	License to use former Main transmitter (RCA, BTF-5B with an RCA, BTE-10C and RCA, BTS-1A exciter and stereo generator) as an Auxiliary transmitter only. ERP: 20kw-HAAT 110'.	GRANTED	1-18-73 73
BRH-795 R & F PN Recd. PRESS	11-30-74 12-2-74 " JAN 23 1975	RENEWAL OF LICENSE (MAIN & AUX.) Peter Tannenwald, Atty. AMENDED 2-12-75 re: programming AMENDED 2-24-75 re: engineering AMENDED 3-10-75 re: personnel	GRANTED	3-31-75

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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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Letters ...W.B.R.U.....Name BROWN BROADCASTING SERVICE, INC.
Providence, Rhode Island

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BPH-9381 R & F #397026 \$50 Code 057 PRESS	2-24-75 2-27-75 3-3-75 MAR 21 1975	CP to change TL to: 115 Eastern Avenue, East Providence, Rhode Island; make changes in ant. sys. (incr. hght.); change TPO; change ERP: 46.2kw(H&V); change HAAT: 420 ft (H&V). (MAIN TRANS.) 41° 49' 40" 71° 22' 09" Atty: Peter Tannenwald (Arent, Fox, Kintner, etc.)	GRANTED COND'L	6-8-76
BSCA-1479 R & F #436746\$100 Code 057 PRESS	6-4-75 6-9-75 6-10-75 JUN 10 1975	Request for Subsidiary Communications Authorization on a sub-carrier frequency of 67 khz. Atty: Peter Tannenwald (Arent, Fox, etc)	GRANTED	7-21-75
BPH-9381 CONTINUED FROM AMENDED Press	6-9-75 JUN 27 1975	ABOVE Exhibit No. 4 and Request Waiver of Section 73.207(a) of the Comm. Rules.	GRANTED COND'L	6-8-76

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Name BROWN BROADCASTING SERVICE, INC.
Providence, Rhode Island

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BPH-9381	con't. from card #9 7-29-75	LETTER OF PROTEST FILED BY HARVARD RADIO BROADCASTING CO., INC.	GRANTED COND'L	6-8-76
	8-4-75	RESPONSE TO LETTER OF PROTEST FILED BY BROWN BROADCASTING SERVICE, INC.		
	8-12-75	REPLY TO OPPOSITION TO PETITION FILED BY HARVARD RADIO BROADCASTING CO., INC.		
	10-14-75	APPLICATION FOR REVIEW FILED BY HARVARD RADIO BROADCASTING CO., INC.		
	10-21-75	OPPOSITION TO APPL. FOR REVIEW filed by Peter T nnenwald for licensee.		
AMENDED	11-3-75 11-11-75	REPLY FILED BY HARVARD RADIO BROADCASTING CO., INC. Additional Data to Support Request For Waiver of Sect. 73.207(a) of Commission Rules		

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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Name Brown Broadcasting Service, Inc.
PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BMSCA-455 R & F 588348#100 CODE 001 PRESS	7-2-76 7-6-76 7-7-76 AUG 5 1976	Mod of Subsidiary Communications Authorization to make chgs. in pro- gramming Atty. Peter Tannenwald	GRANTED	9-30-76
BMPH-14899 R * F 596573#100 CODE 001 PRESS	7-21-76 7-23-76 7-29-76 SEP 2 1976	MP{BPH-9381} chg Ant {ELECTRONICS RESEARCH, INC. 1053-BSL, 6 sects H&V}; mke chg Ant sys {decr hght} chg TPO; ERP { 20kw H&V}; HAAT { 438' H&V} Atty. Peter Tannenwald Engr. Jules Cohen	GRANTED COND'Ls	9-15-76
PETITION OF CONCERN AND DEMAND FOR REDRESS filed 1-19-77 by Curtis T. White for Org. of United African People (OUPA)				
	4-19-77		PTA	5-3-77

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Name ...Brown Broadcasting Service, Inc.
Providence, Rhode Island

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BLH-7375 R & F PTA PRESS	4-18-77 4-19-77 5-3-77 JUL 5 1977	Lic. (BPH-9381, as mod) for Changes Atty. Peter Tannenwald (Arent, Fox et al)	GRANTED	11-22-77
BRH-795 BRSCA-390 R & F P.N. PRESS	11-21-77 11-21-77 11-30-77 11-30-77 DEC 21 1977	RENEWAL OF LICENSE (MAIN, AUX. & ANTENNA) RENEWAL OF SCA Atty. Peter Tannenwald (Arent, Fox, Kintner etc.)	GRANTED	3-13-78
BRH-801201XJ BRSCA-801201XJ PRESS	JAN 21 1981	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Atty. Peter Tannenwald (Arent, Fox et al) Ltr. 4-27-81 re: programming	<i>psu</i>	3/30/81 ISSUED

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.

