BC- 126 June 1974

BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed DECEMBER 7, 1979

Call letters

Station location Carthage, Illinois

Name of licensee PIONEER BROADCASTING, INC.

Transmitter location 0.25 mi. W of city on US-136, Carthage, Illinois (PH-7-25-78)

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No. BPH-10647 HAAT: 300' (L) BPH-10647 (1) EBS 1s BLH-781023AE (L)	10-10-78 ued. 12-7-79	#221 CP for r MP (BP 92.1mHz PO:2.00) icense or new	(RC) ew FM by H-10647) ERP:3.0 W.,HAAT o cover tation.	Class-A cadcast to assig	call.
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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

PIONEER BROADCASTING, INC.

Call WCAZ-FM Letters NEW FM

Name Kenneth-Ra-Hodges-dbs-Tri-State-Broadcasting-Co.
Carthage, Illinois (PO RR Box #30A, Luray, Mo. 63443)

File No.	Dated	Application for	Nature	Date
BPH-10647 R&F PN REC'D PRESS:	6-30-77 7-5-77 9-2-77 SEP 2 8 1977	Construction permit for new FM: 92.1mhz #221 ERP: 3.0KW(H&V) HAAT: 300'(H&V) Trans. WARRIS-FM2-5H3+Ant+-HARRIS-FMC-3A-3-eete-(H&V)- TL&SL: RtU6-136-0-3-miE-of-eity-Carhtage, Illinois-	GRANTED	7-25-78
		40°24108U91°07U- ATTY: ENGR:		
AMENDED	3-3-78	financial, programming, ascertainment of commuity needs, problems and interest and EEO		
AMENDED R&F PRESS:	3-24-78 4-4-78 JUL 1 4 1978	Chg name of applicant to PIONEER BROADCASTING, INches TL: .25 miles W of City on US-136, Carthage, II SL&RC: 84 S Madison St., Carthage, Illinois chg type trans (GATES FM-1C)Ant(GATES FMA-4A, 4 sects(Hand ant sys(decr hght) 400 24' 30" 910 10' 15"	1	OVER

AMENDED 6-27-78 re chg efficiency of tans line and profileds

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

92.1MHz.

Call WCAZ-FM Letters-- HNASSIGNED -

File No.	Dated	Application for	Nature	1100 Date
BMPH780925AM PRESS 00	1 1978	MP (BPH-10647, as Mod.) to chg. type Trans. (HARRIS, 2.5-H3); chg. type Ant. (HARRIS, FML-4, 4 sects. (H&V); chg. ERP: 3.0kw (H&V) & chg. HAAT: 300' (H&V).	unneces	SED 2-7-79 Pary, file on 30
BLH-781023AP PTA: PRESS:	11-2-78 APR 1 8 1979	License to cover (BPH-10647) for NEW STATION Atty:	GRANTED	12-7-79.
BSCA800714AE PRESS (0)	AUG 7 1980	Request for Subsidiary Communications Authorization on a Subcarrier Frequency of 67 Kilohertz.	GRANTED	7-25-80
		F.C.C WASHINGTON. D. C.	-	

APPLICATION RECORD-BROADCASTING

Call Letters: WCAZ FM

Name:

PIONEER BROADCASTING, INC.

Station Location: Carthage, Illinois

File No.	Date	Description	Action and Date
ALH810807EN Form 314 AUG : PRESS Also see WCAZ(am PN filed 8-20-81	1981	Vol AL to Dan Charles Bryan & Sharon Kay Bryan tr/as Tri State Broadcasting Company	
			Form BC-121 March 1979

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.

