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BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

W H A J (EFF: 10-12-78)

Date first licensed October 4, 1963Call letters X WHIS-FMStation location Bluefield, West Va.Name of licensee DAILY TELEGRAPH PRINTING COMPANY

(LH 10-4-63)

Transmitter location East River Mountain, approx. 2.3 mi. SE. of Bluefield, West Virginia

900 Bluefield Avenue, Bluefield, West Virginia (Letter-5-4-81)

X Broadcast Center on E. Cumberland Rd., Bluefield, West Virginia (MPH-6-14-77)

X East Cumberland Road, near Bluefield, West Virginia (BMLH 10-12-66)

X 4¹/₂ - Bland St., Bluefield, W. Va. (Redesc. LH 10-4-63)Main studio location X Municipal Building, Bluefield, West Virginia (BPH 10-31-62)

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From To	
BPH-3787 HAAT: 1,170'	10-31-62	104.5mcs	ERP: 5.9kw TPO: 4.1kw	U	12-21-62 to 6-30-63	
CP for a new FM broadcast station.						
BMPH-7486 (1)	1-23-63	Mod. of CP(BPH-3787) to chg. type trans. (RCA BTF-5D); chg. type ant. (RCA BFA-4A, 4 secs.); delete RC oper. of trans. & chg. TPO to 1.65kw.				
BLH-2375 HAAT: 1170'	10-4-63	104.5mcs	ERP: 5.9kw TFO: 1.6kw	Unl.	10-4-63 to 10-1-66	
Lic. to cover CP(BPH-3787, as mod.) which auth. a new FM Broadcast Station.						
BPH-4800 HAAT: 1170' (H)&(V)	2-23-65	104.5mcs	ERP: 5.9kw (H&V) TPO: 3.1kw	Unl.	4-23-65 to 10-23-65	
CP to install vert. polarized ant. (Electronics Research 300, 4 secs.); incr. TPO; and show hor. & vert. ERP & HAAT.						
BLH-2900 (1)	7-30-65	lic to cover CP(BPH-4800) install vert. ant, incr TPO & CHG ERP & HAAT				
BRCH-684 (2)	1-27-66	Mod. of license to operate transmitter by remote control from atop East River Mountain, approx. 2 miles S.E. of Bluefield, West Virginia (WHIS-TV Transmitter Control Room).				
BRH-1487 HAAT: 1170'	9-1-66	104.5mcs.	ERP: 5.9kw (h/v) TPO: 3.18kw (h&v)		10-1-66 to 10-1-69	
BMLH-252 (1)	10-12-66	Mod. of license to change studio loc. to East Cumberland Road, near Bluefield, West Virginia.				
BRH-1487(L)	9-25-69	Renewal & NDEA				10-1-72
EBSA	5-25-72					
BRH-1487(L)	4-28-76	RENEWAL				10-1-78
EBSA	10-12-76	b issued in new call sign				
BPH-9999(L) HAAT: 1160'	1-3-77	104.5MHz	ERP: 92kw TPO, ERP, HAAT	H&V U {RC}	Trans, 1-3-78	
CP chg Ant and						

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June 1975

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BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed

Call lettersW.H.A.I.....

Station location

Name of licenseeSEE CARD #1.....

Transmitter location

Main studio location

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From- To.
BMPH-15144 (1)	6-14-77	MP (BPH-9999)	chg SL-RC; chg Ant; mke chg chg TPG & HAAT:	1200' (h&v)	chg Trans; ant sys (incr hght);
BRH-1487	9-14-78	(S) REN. OF LICENSE			10-1-81
BLH-7705	12-6-78	104.5mhz	TPO: 19.5kW ERP: 83kW HAAT: 1200' (H&V)		10-1-81
Lic. to cover (BPH-9999, as mod.) for changes					
LETTER	5-4-81	SL & RC Now Located at: 900 Bluefield Avenue, Bluefield, W. Va.			

FORM BC-121
Aug. 1955

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters new WHIS-FM

Name DAILY TELEGRAPH PRINTING COMPANY
Bluefield, West Virginia (412 Bland St., Bluefield, W.V.)

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BPH-3787 Rec'd Filed	5-25-62 5-31-62 5-31-62	Construction permit for a new FM B/C Station to be operated on: Frequency- 104.5mc CH 283 ERP- 2.6kw 5.9kw TPO- 3.6kw 4.1kw HAAT 1173 ft Type transmitter- ITA 5000-C Type antenna- Jampro JA- 1-1 , ² section Trans. location- East River Mountain, approx. 2.3 mi. SE of Bluefield, West Virginia Studio loc.- Municipal Bldg., Bluefield, West Virginia Remote Control Point- same as studio Atty.- Dow, Lohnes, and Albertson Engr.- A.D. Ring and Associates	GRANTED	10-31-62
AMENDMENT R & F	9-10-62 9-12-62	AMENDED to change ERP to 5.9kw; TPO 4.1kw; change type antenna (JAMPRO JA 2 . 2 section)		

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Letters

Name DAILY TELEGRAPH PRINTING COMPANY
Bluefield, West Virginia

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BMPH-7286 R & F	12-18-62 12-28-62	Mod. of CP (BPH-3787, which auth a new FM B/C station) to chg type trans (RCA-BTF-5D) & type ant (RCA-BFA-44, 4 sect); delete remote control and decr TPO from 4.1 to 1.6kw. Atty: Dow, Lohnes & Albertson	GRANTED	1-23-63
BLH-2375 R & F	4-1-63 4-3-63	Lic. to cover CP (BPH-3787 as mod) which auth a new FM B/C station. Atty: Dow, Lohnes & Albertson	GRANTED	9-27 10-4-63
BPH-4800 R&F	2-2-65 2-3-65	Construction permit to increase TPO to 3.189kw, and install vertically polarized ant (Gates-300, 4 sections), using an horizontal and vertical EHP of 5.9kw. Atty: Dow, Lohnes & Albertson	GRANTED	2-23-65

FORM BC-121
AUG. 1955

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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call
Letters WHIS - FM

Name DAILY TELEGRAPH PRINTING COMPANY
BLUEFIELD, WEST VIRGINIA

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BLH-2900 R&F	6-7-65 6-9-65	License to cover CP (BPH-4800) which authorized install vertical ant, increase TPO, and change ERP and HAAT. Atty: Dow, Lohnes & Albertson	GRANTED	7-30-65
BRCH-684 R & F	1-7-66 1-10-66	Modification of license to operate transmitter by remote control from atop East River Mountain, approximately 2 miles S.E. of Bluefield, West Virginia. (WHIS-TV Transmitter Control Room). John B. Jacob, Atty.	GRANTED	1-27-66
BRH-1467 R & F	6/29/66 7/5/66	Renewal of License Atty: Dow, Lohnes & Albertson	GRANTED	9-1-66

AUG. 1955

CARD #4

Call
Letters W.H.I.S-FMName DAILY TELEGRAPH PRINTING COMPANY
BLUEFIELD, WEST VIRGINIA

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BMLH-252 R & F	9-2-66 9-21-66	Modification of Lic. to change studio location to East Cumberland Road, near Bluefield, West Virginia. REQUEST WAIVER OF SECTION 73.210 OF RULES. Dow, Lohnes and Albertson, Attys. (A.C.Corn, Jr.)	GRANTED	10-12-66
BRH-1487 R & F #526916 \$75 PN Press JUL 31 1969	6-23-69 7-2-69 7-2-69	Renewal of license Atty- Alan C. Campbell (Dow, Lohnes & Albertson)	GRANTED	9-25-69
3-24-71	Annual filing fee \$14.00 paid 11-9-70. #642188.			

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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Letters WHIS-FM

Name DAILY TELEGRAPH PRINTING COMPANY
Bluefield, West Virginia

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BRH-1487	6-27-72	Renewal of License	GRANTED	4-28-76
R & F	7-3-72			
P.N.	7-3-72	Atty.: Alan C. Campbell		
PRESS		MOTION TO ACCEPT ONE COPY PETITION TO DENY AND TO INTERVENE filed		
	9-1-72	by Citizens for Better Broadcasting in Southern West Virginia		
		MOTION TO ACCEPT CORRECTED COPIES OF PETITION TO DENY AND TO INTERVENE filed		9-5-72
		by Citizens for Better Broadcasting in Southern West Virginia		
		OPPOSITION TO PETITION TO DENY AND TO INTERVENE filed		10-16-72
		by Dow, Lohnes & Albertson, Counsel for Daily Telegraph Printing Company		
		MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO FILE REPLY filed		10-26-72
		by Robert Jay Stein, Counsel on behalf of Citizens for Better Broadcasting in Southern West Virginia et al.		
		MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO FILE REPLY filed		11-21-72
		by Citizens for Better Broadcasting in Southern West Virginia, et al.		
		REPLY TO OPPOSITION OF THE DAILY TELEGRAPH PRINTING COMPANY filed		12-18-72
		by Robert Jay Stein, Counsel for Petitioners		
		PETITION FOR LEAVE TO FILE SUPPLEMENT TO OPPOSITION TO PETITION TO DENY AND TO INTERVENE		
		filed		3-16-73
		by Alan C. Campbell on behalf of the Daily Telegraph Printing Company		
		SUPPLEMENT TO OPPOSITION TO PETITION TO DENY AND TO INTERVENE filed		3-16-73
		by Licensee		
		AMENDED 10-24-73 re: programming		

BHR-1487 AMENDED 6-18-75 re: community leaders survey
SUPPLEMENTAL APPLICATION filed 6-2-75 as an amendment to
pending renewal. P.N. 6-2-75

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AMENDED 8-26-75 re: programming

EXTENSION OF TIME REQUESTED by CITIZENS FOR BETTER
BROADCASTING filed 3-3-76

4-28-76 MEMORANDUM OPINION & ORDER Petition to Deny
filed by Citizens for Better Broadcasting in Southern
West Virginia DENIED

MOTION FOR PARTIAL RECONSIDERATION, TO INSURE COMPLIANCE
WITH COMMISSION DIVESTITURE ORDERS filed 6-7-76 by
Charles M. Firestone, Counsel on behalf of Citizens
for Better Broadcasting in Southern West Virginia

OPPOSITION TO MOTION FOR PARTIAL RECONSIDERATION filed
6-22-76 by Thomas H. Wall, Counsel on behalf of Daily
Telegraph Printing Company

REPLY TO OPPOSITION TO MOTION FOR PARTIAL RECONSIDERA-
TION filed 6-30-76 by Charles M. Firestone, Counsel
on behalf of Citizens for Better B/Casting in
Southern West Virginia

MEMORANDUM OPINION & ORDER adopted 10-21-76, Petition
for Reconsideration filed by Citizens for Better
Broadcasting, DENIED.

Ltr. 12-8-76 Citizens for Better Broadcasting in Souther
W.Va., file appeal in the US Court of Appeals for the
District of Columbia Circuit.

AMENDED 3-30-77 re: programming

Form BC-121
May 1976

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call **W H A J**
Letters **XWHIS-FM**

Name Daily Telegraph Printing Company
Bluefield, West Virginia

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BPH-9999 Rec'd Filed #585781 \$400 Code 001 Press P. N. Rec'd	6-25-76 6-28-76 6-28-76 6-29-76 AUG 5 1976 7-23-76	CP to install new trans. (RCA BTF-40E1); install new ant. (RCA BFC-6B, 6 sects. (H&V); make chg. ant. system (decr. hght.); chg. TPO; ERP: 100KW(H&V) and HAAT: 1159' (H&V). Atty: Alan Campbell	GRANTED	1-3-77
BMPH-15144 R & F PRESS AMENDED	4-19-77 4-21-77 JUN 1 1977 6-9-77	MP{BPH-9999} chg SL/RC loc to: Municipal Bldg. Bluefield WV Trans {HARRIS FM-20K} Antenna {HARRIS, FMH-12AC, 12 sects H&V} mke chgs in Ant sys: incr hght; chg TPO and HAAT {1197' H&V} Atty. Alan C. Campbell Engr. Marvin T. Stanley chg. SL & RC to: Broadcast Center on E. Cumberland Rd., Bluefield, West Virginia,	GRANTED	6-14-77

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

104.5MHz

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Letters W H A J

Name DAILY TELEGRAPH PRINTING COMPANY
Bluefield, West Virginia

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BLH-7705 R & F PTA: PRESS:	11-29-77 12-2-77 12-9-77 SEP 10 1978	Lic. (BPH-9999, as mod.) for changes. Atty: Alan C. Campbell (Dow, Lohnes)	GRANTED	12-6-78
BRH-1487 R & F PRESS	5-24-78 6-1-78 JUN 12 1978	Renewal of License Alan C. Campbell, Atty.	GRANTED	9-14-78
BRH810529VP PRESS	JUL 31 1981	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Atty. Alan C. Campbell Amended 8-13-81 re: programming	GRANTED	10-22-81

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.

