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# BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE, RECORD 11-10-77

Off. Bo. 553

Date first licensed 8-18-50

W I L Q-FM (EFF: 11-15-72)

Call letters X W L Y C - FM

LOCATION: WILLIAMSPORT, PENNSYLVANIA

PENNSYLVANIA RADIO, INCORPORATED(AL gr 7/10/75 EFF: 8/4/75 x ALPHA BROADCASTING COMPANY, INC.(AL 5-28-71 EFF: 7-12-71)

Name of licensee LYCOMING BURGERE BROADCASTING COMPANY

Transmitter location North white Deer-Run-Ridge Road, Williampport, Pennsylvania

357 Pine Street, Williamsport., Penn.

(PH-11-16-72)

X 331 PINE STREET

Main studio location Lto be determined, williamsport, Pennsylvania

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## CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

| Appl. No. | Date<br>Issued                 | Freq.                                    | Power   | Time<br>Div.  | Period<br>From To-                       |
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|           | 8-18-47                        | 105.1<br>Ch#286                          | ncs. pro  | posed asa;  | gnment                                   |
| BPH-1204  |                                | 105.1<br>Chr286                          | ETTER STREET, | 1,290 ft.   | by 6-7-98<br>to 12-7-48                  |
| PIPH-2875 | 11-16-48                       | Ext. con                                 | mletion   | date to   | -7-49                                    |
| PUPH-347  | 58 2-10-49<br>3 5-17-49        | Ext. of                                  | complet   | ion date  | to 0-7-49<br>to 9-7-49<br>. period endin |
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| Mod. of   | C. P. charter location 7-27-49 | prog. :<br>105.1<br>ging ERF<br>on and s | 3.1 kw.<br>Terri  | U<br>1,260 ft.  | To 9-7-49                                |
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| BMPH-36   | 12-7-29                        | 105.1                                    | 3.2 1   | 260 ft.<br>nge ERP  | By 6-7-48<br>to 12-7-49                  |
| BLPH-38   | 382 11-1/-4                    | Ext. of                                  | compl. d  | THE RESERVED AND PARTY AND PERSONS NAMED IN COLUMN                                    | -7-50                                    |
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### BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed .....

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Name of licensee LYCOMING BROADCASTING COMPANY

Transmitter location .....

Main studio location

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### CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

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| HH-637   | 8-18-50  | 106.1<br>License   | 8.2 kg                                 |  | 8-18-50  |
| BTC-113  | 2 6-19-51  | Vol. a   | quisiti                                | on of cont   | rol of license   |
|  |  | corp.  | y John                                 | . Keliher  | thru purchase  |
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| BSR-553  | 11-28-51   | Statement and the Control of the Con | extend                                 | ed to  | 3-1-52   |
| 3RE-553  | 1-3-52   | Renewal  | of lice                                |  | 8-1-54   |
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| BRH-553  | 7-28-54  | RENEWAL  | OF_LICE                                | NSE  | 8-1-57   |
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| BPH-2978   | i.h.e  | Ch. 286  | TPU:LKW                                |  |  |
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### BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

| Date first licensed  | Call letters                            |
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|                      | Station locationWilliamsports Pas       |
|                      |   |
| Name of licensee     | *************************************** |
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| Transmitter location |   |
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| Main studio location |   |

### CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

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| BLR-1717   | 2-16-61     | Lic. to  | cover c      | (BPH-29    | 8) which auth.  |
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| BRH-553    |             |  | 3.8kw        | i in       | 8-1-66          |
| BRH-553    | 7-29-66     | Renewal  | of lice      | nse        | 8-1-8-1-89      |
| BRUL-553 ( | 7-64-69     | Renewa   | L or special |            | 8-1-72          |
| BALH-149   | 5-28-71     | _ YOL- AI  | EEE 1.7-     | 12-71      |                 |
| EBSA       | 5-25-72     | DE   | MENAI        |            | 8-1-75          |
| BRH-553()  | 7-31-72     | KE   | NEWAL        |            |                 |
|            | 11-16072    |  | ERP: 3       |            | 11-16-73        |
| HAAT: 11   | 40' (H&V)   | #286<br>CP che.  | SL & RK      | (RC)       | stall new trans |
|            |             |  | ., chg.      | transmiss  |                 |
| BPH-9401   | 4-25-75     |  |              | spired per | mit             |
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| EBZA       | 11-10-7     |  |              | 0000       | 8-1-81          |
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| BTC8102    | 10EJ 4-23-  | 81 Vol 1   | CH EFF:      |            |                 |
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#### APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING FM (GLABS B)

Call

Letters \_ INLYC- FM

| File No.                    | Dated                   | Application for   | Nature   | otion<br>Date |
|-----------------------------|-------------------------|---|--|---------------|
| RPH-1204<br>Rec'd.<br>Filed | 2-26-47 2-27-47         | Construction permit for new FM broadcast station (Class B) to be operated on Frequency: Channel 221 92.1 Mcs.  Effective Radiated Fower: 3.2 kw.  Transmitter: North White Deer Run-Ridge Road Villiamsport, Pennsylvania (RCA BTF-10 Max. 1 kw)  Studio: To be determined, Villiamsport, Penns.  Program analysis received 2-27-47.  Filed by Percy H. Russell, Jr., Attorney. | 4-29-47<br>station<br>5-9-47<br>c. P. IS<br>Exp. 1 | Letter miles  |
| BMPH-2832<br>Recd.<br>Filed | 11-4-48 11-5-48 11-5-48 | Mod. of C. P. (BPH-1204) which authorized a   | GRANTED  | 11-16-48      |

CARD # 2 FCC Form 94

#### APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters

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Name

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| File No.                    | Dated                      | Application for  | Natur   | ction<br>Date |
|-----------------------------|----------------------------|--|---------|---------------|
| BMPH-3168<br>Recd.<br>Filed | 2-1-49<br>2-7-49<br>2-7-49 | Mod. of C. P. (BPH-1204 which authorized a new FM broadcast station for extension of completion date from 3-7-49 to 6-7-49. Filed by Percy H. Russell, Jr., Atty.  | GRANTE  | 2-10-49       |
| BMPH-3455<br>Recd<br>Filed  | 5-2-49<br>5-4-49<br>5-4-49 | Mod. of C.P. (BPH-1204 as modified - which authorized a new FM broadcast station) to change transmitter site (coordinates - 1.5 mile Change); specify studio location as 331 Pine St., Williamsport; ant. ht. abv. aver. terrain from 1290 ft. to 1258 ft. and make changes in antenna system. Filed by Percy Russell, Jr., Atty | CRAFTED | 6-29-49       |
| BMFH-3473<br>Recd.<br>Filed | 5-7-49<br>5-9-49<br>5-9-49 | Mod. of C. P. (BPH-1204 which authorized a new FM broadcast station) for extension of completion date from 6-7-49 to 9-7-49. Filed by Percy H. Russell, Jr., Atty.   | GRANTED | 5-17-49       |

Form 94 CARD #3

#### APPLICATION RECORD. - BROADCASTING

Call Letters W.L.I.C- TM

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| File No.                     | Dated  | Application for  | Nature  | Date     |  |  |
| RMPH-3649<br>Rec'd.<br>Filed | 7-13-49<br>7-15-49<br>7-15-49  | Mod. of C. P. (HPH-1204 as modified) which muthorized a new FN broadcast station to change ERP from 3.1 kw. to 3.2 kw. Filed by Percy H. Russell, Jr., Atty.                                 | GRANTED | 8-31-49  |  |  |
| BMPH-3705<br>Recd.<br>Filed  | 8-4-49<br>8-5-49<br>8-5-49   | Mod. of C. P. (HPH-1204 as modified) which authorized a new FM broadcast station for extension of completion date from 9-7-49 to 12-7-49.  Filed by Percy H. Russell, Jr., Atty.             | GRANTED | 8-11-49  |  |  |
| Hecd.<br>Filed               | 11-7-49 11-9-49 11-9-49  | Mod. of C. P. (arH-1204 as modified) which<br>authorized a new FM broadcast station for<br>extension of completion date from 12-7-49<br>to 1-7-50.<br>Filed by Percy H. Mussell, Jr., Att'y. | GRANTED | 11-17-49 |  |  |

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#### APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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| File No.                    | Dated                         | Application for   | Nature  | Date    |
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| BarH-3.78<br>necd.<br>Filed | 1-3-50 1-4-50 1-4-50          | Mod. of C. P. (HPH-1204 as modified) which<br>authorized a new rM broadcast station for<br>extension of completion date from 1-7-50<br>to 4-7-50.<br>Filed, by Percy H. mussell, Jr., Att'y   | Expire  | 1-13-50 |
| Rec'd.<br>Filed             | 4-14-50<br>4-18-50<br>4-18-50 | Mod. of C. P. (BPH-1204 as modified) which muthorized a new FM broadcast station to change Name from Lycoming County Broadcasting Company To Lycoming Broadcasting Company. Filed by E. D. Johnston, Atty.  AMENDMENT to articles of incorporation changing name of corporation and increasing authorized capital stock | GRANTED | 4-26-50 |
| Recd & File                 | 6-5-50                        | License to cover C.P. (BPH-1204 as mod.) which authorized a new FM b/c station. Filed by Percy Russell, Atty.   | GRAFTED | 8-18-50 |

#### #5 APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters

RLYC- IN

Name LYCCMING BROADCASTING COMPANY

| File No.                  | Dated                                      | Application for  | Nature      | Date                            |
|---------------------------|--|--|-------------|---------------------------------|
| BTC-961<br>Rec'd<br>Filed | 6-26-50                                    | Technical relinquishment of control by John Keliher because of reduction in his stock-holdings from 55% as of 3-31-49 to 45.5% as of 12-31-49.   | GRANTED CH: | 8-2-50                          |
| Recd & Filed              | 5-17-51<br>5-18-51<br>_5_18-51<br>_11-8-51 | Voluntary acquisition of control of permitteex corporation by John T. Keliher thru purchase of 194 shares of treasury stock.  Renewal of license | EFF         | 7-2-51                          |
| Recd.<br>Filed            | 11-9-51<br>11-9-51                         |  | GRANTEI     | 1-3-52                          |
| Recd. &                   | 10-1-53                                    | C.P. to make changes in licensed station to change - ERF to .842. kw: ant. ht. above average terrain: 1145 ft; & change antenna system.          |             | 11-12-53<br>P 840 w<br>rr 1150' |

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#### APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call

Letters WLYC-FM

Name LYCONING BROADCASTING COMPANY Williamsport, Penna.

| File No.  BLH-951 Recd. & fil               | Dated<br>2-23-54<br>ed 2-25-54   | Application for License to cover C.P. (BPH-1895 which authorized changes in licensed station)   | Nature  |                        |
|---|----------------------------------|---|---------|------------------------|
| BRH-553 Recd. & fil BRCH-1 20 Recd. & Filed | 4-30-54<br>ed 5-3-54<br>11-26-54 | Renewal of license  Operation by remote control from downto studios, 331 Pine St., Williamsport, Nat. Bank. Bldg., Williamsport, Pennsylvania.                            | own     | ile <sub>7-28-54</sub> |
| BRH-553<br>Rec.& filed                      | 4-1-57<br>4-24-57                | Renewal of license<br>Filed direct<br>Amend. recd. 7-8-57 re Sec. IV, Page 2.   | GRANTED | 7-25-57                |
| BPH-2978<br>R + F                           | 4-14-60<br>4-15-60               | Construction Permit to increase ERP from 840w to 3.834kw, decrease HAAT from 1150' to 1140', instl. new antenna type (Collins-37-M-4) and make changes in enterna system. | GRANTED | 4-29-60                |

FORM BC-121 #7 Aug. 1955

#### APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters

WLYC-FM

Name LYCOMING BROADCASTING COMPANY
Williamsport, Pennsylvania

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| File No.                                  | Dated                      | Application for   | Nature  | Date    |
| BRH-553<br>Rec'd<br>Filed                 | 5-2-60<br>5-3-60<br>5-3-60 | Renewal of License.   | GRANTED | 9-20-60 |
| BLH-1717<br>R & F                         | 11-2-60                    | License to cover C.P. (BPH-2978) which authorized change in ERP and HAAT, installatiof new antenna and changes in antenna system. |         | 2-16-61 |
| BRH-553<br>R & F                          | 5-1-63<br>5-3-63           | Renewal of License  Aloysius B. McCabe, Atty.   | GRANTED | 7-29-63 |
| BRH-553<br>R & F                          | 4-28-66<br>4-28-66         | Renewal of license<br>Atty. Aloysius B. McCabe  | GRANTED | 7-29-66 |
| BRH-553<br>R & F<br>#510381 \$75<br>PRESS | 4-23-03                    | Renewal of license<br>Kirkland, Ellis, Hodson, Chaffetz & Masters<br>(A. B. McCabe) Atty.   | GRANTED | 7-24-69 |
|   |                            | P.C.C WASHINGTON, D. C.   |         |         |

RE: BRH-553-4-25-69-Sect. I, Par. 1.-frequency should be 105.1 mcs, -called atty for amend.

Form BC-121 #8 September 1969

#### APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call WILQ-FM Letters XWLYC-FM

ALPHA BROADCASTING COMPANY, INC.

Name

LYCOMING EROADCASTING CO FANY

| BRH-553<br>R & F   | o see AM)                                  | Application for  Voluntary assignment of license to ALPHA BROADCASTING COMPANY, INC.  Atty for assignor - Kirkland, Ellis etc for assignee - Phil Baker  Renewal of License                                    | Req.gra GRANT for WLIC-AM EFF: Fee Paid | 5-28-71<br>int fee\$3,200.00<br>e includes |
|--|--|--|---|--|
| MAY 12 1972 BPH-8131 Rec'd Filed #125244 \$50 Code 061 Press NOV | 10-12-72<br>10-16-72<br>11-6-72<br>11-6-72 | CP to chg. SL & RC to: 357 Pine Street, Williamsport, Pennsylvania; install new trans (Composite); install new ant. (Gates FMC-4A, 4 sects. (H&V); chg. transmission line; ERP: 3.8KW (H&V); HAAT: 1140 (H&V). | GRANTED                                 | 11-16-72                                   |

Form BC-121 September 1969

#### APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call WILQ-FM

Name Williamsport, Pennsylvania

|   |  |   | 1 44-4-                     | Action  |  |  |
|---|--|---|-----------------------------|---------|--|--|
| File No.  BPH-9401 R & F #400026\$50 Code 057 PRESS | 2-27-75<br>3-11-75<br>3-13-75<br>PR 11 1975            | Application for CP to replace expired permit (BPH-8131) REQUEST WAIVER OF SECTION 1.534(b) OF COM-MISSION RULES   | GRANTI<br>TO                | ,       |  |  |
| R&F<br>FEE PD: \$2<br>CODE 049(A                    | 5-1-75<br>5-7-75<br>00 # 424048<br>ISO SEE AM<br>WLYC) | Voluntary assignment of license and CP(BPH-9L<br>PENNSYLVANIA RADIO, INCORPORATED<br>(<br>Atty for assigner - Jason L. Shrinsky<br>(SEE AM WLYC FOR AMENDMENTS ETC) | GRANTED<br>EFF:<br>gr fee r | 8/4/75  |  |  |
| BLH-6706<br>Rec'd                                   | 5-6-75<br>5-8-75<br>1005-12-75                         |   | GRANTED                     | 6-18-75 |  |  |

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#### APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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PENNSYLVANIA RADIO, INCORPORATED

| WILLIAMSPORT, PENNSYLVANIA |             |   |               |         |  |  |  |
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| File No.                   | Dated       | Application for                           | Nature        | Date    |  |  |  |
| BRH-553                    | 3-4-75      | RENEWAL OF LICENSE                        | GRANTED       | 7-10-75 |  |  |  |
| R&F                        | 3-28-75     | AMENDED 5-28-75 re: signature             | GRANTED       | 7-10-73 |  |  |  |
| PN Recd.                   | 2-14-75     |   |               |         |  |  |  |
| PRESS                      | JUN 3 1975  |   |               |         |  |  |  |
| BRH-553                    | 3-12-78     | RENEWAL OF LICENSE                        | GRANTEB       | 9-14-78 |  |  |  |
| R & F                      | 3-31-78     |   | T             |         |  |  |  |
| PRESS                      | PR 1 7 1978 |   |               |         |  |  |  |
|                            |             |   |               |         |  |  |  |
| BTCH810210E                |             | Vol TC from Paul H. Rothfuss and Kerby E. |               |         |  |  |  |
| Form 315<br>PRESS MA       | 8           | Confer to The DGH Compsny                 | Granted 4-2   | 3-81    |  |  |  |
| Also see WI                | YC (am 1980 | Atty for transferor James M. Weitzman     | EFF           |         |  |  |  |
| PN FILED 3-                | 13-81       | Atty for transferee Daniel Miller         |               |         |  |  |  |
|                            |             |   |               |         |  |  |  |
|                            |             |   |               |         |  |  |  |
|                            |             | F.C.C WASHINGTON, D. C.                   |               |         |  |  |  |
|                            |             | P. C. C. WASHINGTON, D. C.                |               |         |  |  |  |

#### BTCH/EJ

Amended 4-22-81 re: add'l information concerning stock held by Mitchell & Co.,

AMENDED 3-26-81 re: Table I & II; Stockholders; AMENDED 4-6-81 re: Withdrawal of Obj. to TC by Alpha Broadcasting Co., Inc.

MENDED 4-9-81 re: Response to Obj. filed by Alpha Broadcasting Co.

#### APPLICATION RECORD-BROADCASTING

Call Letters: W I L Q

Name: PENNSYLVANIA RADIO, INCORPORATED

Station Location: WILLIAMSPORT, PENNSYLVANIA

| File No.                                       | Date            | Description  | Action and Date           |  |  |  |  |
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| BRH810331VY<br>PRESS                           | 1861 L 3 AW     | RENEWAL OF LICENSE   | GRANTED 7-7-81            |  |  |  |  |
| BTCH810710FX Form 316 PRESS Also see WLYC, VAM | 1981<br>WCYB-TV | Vol TC from Trustees of the Grit Publishing Company Voting Trust to Trustees of the Lamco Communications, Inc. Voting Trust  Herbert D. Miller, Jr. (Atty) | EFF: 8-1-81               |  |  |  |  |
|  |                 |  | Form BC-121<br>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 12<sup>th</sup> 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.

