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June 1954

Frequency Modulation

## BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed 11-7-74

Call letters W K N U

Station location Brewton, Alabama

Name of licensee HUGH ELLINGTON (AL 12-11-78  
xJOHN E. SHIPP, JR. EFF: 1-2-79  
OCT 12-28-78)Transmitter location Ridge Road, 2.6 miles east of center of Brewton, Alabama  
(PA-9-12-73)

Main studio location Same as transmitter

# CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From- To
BPH-8079 HAAT: 300' (H&V)	9-12-73	106.3mhz.	ERP: 3kw (H&V) #292 Class A CP for New FM Station		9-12-74
BPH-8079(1)	10-30-73		Call letters assigned.		
EBSA	10-30-73				
BLH-6349(L)	11-7-74		Lic. (BPH-8079, as mod.)	New	4-1-76
BRH-2981(L)	3-30-76		RENEWAL		4-1-79
COMTEL	10-19-76		Auth. gr. oper. CCA-FM-3000DE Transmitter now installed.		
LTR.	3-10-78		TRANS: GATES FM-3H now installed		
BALH780926	EC 12-11-78		VOL. AL (cond) chs 12-28-78		
BRH781204WJ(L)	6-15-79		Renewal of License		4-1-82

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call W K N U  
Letters ~~NEW-FM~~

Name John E. Shipp, Jr.  
Brewton, Alabama (PO 201 Terry Avenue, East Brewton, Alabama 36426)

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BPH-8079	9-28-72	CP for New FM on: 106.3mc. #292	GRANTED	9-12-73
R & F	10-3-72	HAAT: 300' (h&v) ERP: <del>2.35kw (h&amp;v)</del>	req. grant fee: \$900.00	
#115377 \$100	10-3-72	Trans: GATES-BF-3B; Ant: <del>GATES-FMC-3A, 3 sects.</del>	pd 014	10-29-73 246275
CODE: 013		(h&v).		
PRESS: OCT	12 1972	T-SL: Ridge Rd., 2.6 mi. E. of Brewton center,		
PN REC'd:	4-30-73	Brewton, Alabama.		
		31° 06' 45" - 87° 01' 19"		
		Atty---		
		Engr---		
AMENDED	11-8-72	Engr. Data (Chg. ant. (Gates FMC-3A, 3 sects.		
PRESS: NOV	27 1972	(H&V); chg. ERP: 3.0KW (H&V) and TPO: 2.595KW.		
AMENDED	4-30-73	Sect. I, III, IV-A and REQUEST WAIVER OF		
Press		SECTION 73.210 OF THE COMMISSION RULES.		
AMENDED MAY	14 1973	Section III.		
	7-30-73			

PN mailed: 10-10-72.

CONTACT: John E. Shipp, Jr.  
201 Terry Avenue  
East Brewton, Alabama  
(205) 867-3269

Name JOHN E. SHIPP, JR.  
Brewton, Alabama

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BLH-6349	7-26-74	Lic.(BPH-8079, as mod.)-New sta. Antenna: PHELPS-DODGE, CFM-LP-3, 3 sects.  Amended 10-16-74 - Sect. VI.	GRANTED	11-7-74
R & F	7-30-74			
W 330691-\$50.	7-30-74-057			
PTA	8-6-74			
PRESS	SEP 23 1974			
\$22. Refunded	11-13-74			
BPH-	9-5-75	CP to change ERP	Returned	10-7-75
Rec'd	9-15-75			
PRESS	OCT 9 - 1975			
BRH-2981	11-28-75	RENEWAL OF LICENSE	GRANTED	3-30-76
R & F	12-4-75			
PNRecd.	"			
PRESS	DEC 11 1975			

APPLICATION RECORD **BROADCASTING**

106.3 MHz.

Call  
Letters **W K N U**

#3  
HUGH ELLINGTON  
xJOHN E. SHIPP, JR.  
Name ..... **Brewton, Alabama**

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BALH 780926EC PRESS OCT 1 8 1978 Form 314 PN filed	11-9-78	Vol AL to HUGH ELLINGTON  Atty: Leonard S. Joyce  (over)	GRANTED Cond. 1 const EFF:	12-11-78 12-28-78 1-2-79
BRH781204WJ PRESS: FEB 26 1979		RENEWAL OF LICENSE  Atty: Leonard S. Joyce	GRANTED	6-15-79

BALH780926EC AMENDED 11-16-78 re: financial state of  
Shipp

AMENDED 11-28-78 re: bank letter

AMENDED 12-4-78 re: legal data re civil action (ltr from  
prop. assignee)



## 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.

