WLEX-FM

### BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed 5-23-79

Call letters \_\_H\_L\_K\_X\_EM\_

Station location Forest Lake,

Name of licensee .....LAKES BROADCASTING COMPANY, INC.

7651 179th Ave., Forest Lake, Minn. (Eedescription L 5-23-79)
x0.83 mi. NW of intersection of W. Broadway and Furman St., 3.2 mi.
Transmitter location at 290° from Forest Lake, Minnesota (PH-11-8-77)

631 South Lake St., Forest Lake, Minnesota (MPH-5-30-78) L 5-23-79

Main studio location XSAME AS TRANSMITTER (PH-11-8-77)

# CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From To
BPH-10381 HAAT: 300'(		#240A CP for	CLASS-A new FM	roadcast	tation
BPH-10381(1	1-16-78	CALL LE	TTERS &	EBSA ASSI	NED
BSCA-1828	4-26-78	SCA on	57 khz.		
BMPH-15471 (2)		trans by	RC from	the SL	& operate
BLH / S1 OO SAS	5-23-79	13c. co 95.9mhz	Per CP 3lor 300	HAV RC	4-1-80

# APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call WLKX-FM Letters X NEW-FM

Name Lakes Broadcasting Company, Inc.					
Forest Lake, Minnesota(PO 1671 East Montana Ave., St. Paul, Minn. 55106)					
File No.	Dated	Application for	Nature	Date	
Rec'd: #8586738 \$20 CODE: 001 Resubmitted Resubmitted Filed: PRESS: APR	6-30-76 0 7-1-76 10-15-76 1-3-77	CP for New FM on: 95.9mhz. #240  HAAT: 300'(h&v) ERP: 3kw(h&v)  Trans: Harris-FM-2.5H3; Ant: Harris-FMS-3,  3 sects.(h&v)(  T-St: 0.2 mi: Wef-Hwy23 on 145th Ave.,  -Forest Lake, Himnesota.  450-14-0.3	(Channellations)	ON OF CLOSED	
PN REC'd:	3-1-77 9-26-77	Atty - Booth & Freret Engr- Larry E. Ellis(Denver, Colorado)	GRANTED Cond	to program test	
		MAJOR ENVIROMENTAL ACTION UNDER SECTION 1.130 COMMISSION RUEES.			
AMENDED	6-29-77	Ascertainment study and programming	1		
		7 Revised Environmental Impact Statement, chg. TL: 3.2 miles at 290 degrees from Forest Lake 450 17. 40" 930 04. 22"	Minn.		
AMENDED	9-26-77	Section IV-A (community interviews, programming	and PN		

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# APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters .....W.L.E.X-FM

				Action	
File No.	Dated	Application for	Nature	Date	
R&F	4-3-78 4-5-78 1 8 1978	Request for Subsidiary Communications Authorization on a subcarrier frequency of 67 kilohertz. Atty:	GRANTED	4-26-78	
BMPH-15471 R & F PRESS:	4-3-78 4-5-78 PR 2 6 1978	MP (BPH-10381) to change Studio location to: 631 South Lake Street, Forest Lake, Minnesota and operate transmitter by Remote control from the proposed studio site.  Atty:	GRANTED	5-30-78	
BLH-781006AB PTA:	12-18-78	License to cover (BPH-10381, as mod.) for NEW STATION	GRANTED	5-23-79	
PRESS:	APR 2 3 1979	Atty: Julian P. Freret (BOOTH & FRERET)			
		F. C. C WASHINGTON, D. C.			

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## APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters WLKX-FM

Name LAKES BROADCASTING COMPANY, INC.
Forest Lake, Ninnesota

File No.	Dated	Application for	Nature	Date
BRSCA791130VZ BRSCA791130 PRESS	7Z JAN 2 8 1980	Renewal of License Renewal of SCA Atty.: Julian P. Freret	M.	3-25-80
		F.C.C WASHINSTON, D. C.		

#### **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.

