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#### BROADCASTING "TATON LICENSE RECORD

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Date first licensed August 20, 1951

Call Intters X LOCATION: MASTON PENNSYLVANIA

SOUND COMMUNICATION'S CORP. (ALH 3-2-73 EFF: 4-4-73)

Name of licensee

End of Saverceol Avenue, Feuntain Hill, 2.5 mi. 5W of Bothlehem/

Tilliams Township - 1.25 mile South of Easton Center, Penna. (Northampton County).

ZIP 18042

Main studio location FCC-65

436 Northampton St., Easton, Penna. (BSH 6-24-63) (EFF: 6-17-63) 1616 Morthampton St., Easton,

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Date first licensed August 20, 1961	Call letters WEST-FM Station location
Name of licensee	

Transmitter location \_\_\_\_\_

Main studio location

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Date first licensed .....

Call letters WEST-FM

Station location .....

Name of licensee See Card #1

Transmitter location .....

Main studio location .....

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## BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed	Call letters WEST-FH
	Station location
Name of licensee	
Transmitter location	

Main studio location .....

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		(P.O. 516 Northampton St., Easton,	Perusatas	inia)
ile No.	Dated	Application for		Date
B2-PH-178 2-5-44	2-5-44	(FM) broadcast station. Frequency: 48,500 Kilocycles Coverage: Approx. 2800 Sq. Mi.	10-31-46	Type B Letter mailed
		Studio: Exact location to be determined - Bethlehem, Pennsylvania Transmitter: Exact site to be determined near Bethlehem, Pennsylvania (W. E. 504 A-1 Max.3kw) Filed by Geo.O. Sutton, Att'y.	Engrs ag	Plans & Basic proved - 7-17-4 and 0-20-47
		Amendment re Comm.letter of 9-7-45 recd. 9-28-45. Current balance sheet submitted. List of Dir.Officers & Stockholders. (Metropolitan) Program analysis rec'd. 4-17-46 Engr. info. recd. 4-30-47 re Comm. ltrs. of		

Card #2

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Name ASSOCIATED BROADCASTERS, INC.

File No. Dated Application for		Application for	Nature	Date	
E2-FH-178	Continued	changes in antenna system.			
Recd. Filed	3-18-48 3-19-48 3-19-48	Nod. of U. P. (B2-PH-178 which authorized a new FM broadcast station for extension of completion date from 4-20-48 to 10-20-48. Filed by John H. Midlen, Att'y	GRANTED	4-19-48	
BMPH-2185 Recd. Filed	6-18-48 6-18-48 6-18-48	Nod. of C. P. (B2-PH-178 as modified) which authorized a new FM broadcast station for extension of completion date from 7-20-48 to 1-15-48.	GRANTED	7-2-48 to 12-15-48	
BMPH-2877 Recd. Filed	11-11-48 11-15-48 11-15-48	Mod. of C. P. (B2-PH-178 as modified) which authorized a new FM broadcast station for ex-C tension of completion date from 12-15-48 to 6-15-49. Filed by John H. Midlen, Atty.	RANTED	11-30-48	

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CARD # 3

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ASSOCIATED BROADCASTERS, INC. Name

File No.	Dated	Application for	Nature	Date
BMPH-3492 Recd. Filed	5-2-49 5-13-49 5-13-49	Mod. of C. P. (B2-PH-178 as modified) which authorized a new FM broadcast station for extension of completion date from 6-15-49 to 12-15-49. Filed by William Thomson, Atty.	GRANTED	5-19-49
Read Read Filed	7-18-49 8-1-49 8-1-49	Mod. of C.P. (EPH-178 as modified - which authorized a new FM broadcast station ) to change studio location from Bethlehem, Penna. to 516 Northhampton St., Easton, Penna. and- make changes in antenna system. Filed by William Thomson, Atty		3-11-49
merh-3877 meca. ilea	11-2-49	lod. of C. F. (Dis-178 as modified) which authorized a new FM broadcast station for extension of completion date from 12-15-49 to 5-15-50. Filed by William Thomson, Att'y	GRANTED 1	1-16-49
Recd & Filed	3-23-50	Mod. of CP (EPH-175 as mod.) to change trans- mitter site from Near Bethlehem, Pa to Williams Twp1.25 mile S. of Easton Center, Easton, Pa. ERP from 16 kw. to 11.2 kw.; ant. ht. abv. a ver- terrain from 545 ft. to 72 ft. & make changes in	:	5-31-50 ystem.

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Name ASSOCIATED BROADCASTERS, INC.

File No.	Dated	Application for	Nature	Date
BMPH-4163 Recd. Filed	5-1-50 5-3-50 5-3-50		See Card	3 EMPH-4116 5-31-50)
BMPH-4378 Recd & Filed	11-7-50	Mod. of CP (BPH-178 as mod.) which authorized a new FM b/c station for extension of completion from 12-15-50 to 6-15-51. Filed by William Thomson, Atty.	GRANTED	11-28-50
BLH-744 Rec'd. Filed	6-1-51 6-5-51 6-5-51	License to cover C. P. (BPH-178 as mod.) which suthorized a new FM broadcast station. Filed by William Thomson, Atty.	RANTED	8-20-51
BRH-636 Recd. & Filed	4-16-54	Renewal of license  William Thompson, atty	RANTED	7-7-54

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ASSOCIATED BROADCASTERS, INC.
RADIO STATION W E S T. 516 Northampton Street, Easton, Pennsylvania.

File No.	Dated	Application for	Nature	Date
RCH-161 ecd. & Filed	3-30-56	Transmitter may be operated by Remote Control from 516 Northampton Street, Easton, Pa.	CRANTED	4-4-56
BRH-636 Rec.& filed	4-26-57 5-14-57	Renewal of license Geo. O. Sutton-atty	GRANTED	7-11-57
BPH-2802 R & F	9-28-59 9-38-59	Williams Twp. 1.25 miles South of Easton Center, Easton, Penn. to end of Savercool Ave. Fountain Hill, 2.5 mi. S. W. of Bethlehem Penn; install new antenna and make changes in antenna system. (Alde Mount FM antenna on MIX)  Atty: George O. Sutton Engr James J. McNary		-8-60
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Name ASSOCIATED BECAUCASTERS, INC.
Easton, Penna.

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File No.	Dated	Application for		100
		Application for	Nature	Date
EFH-2802		AMENDED to change frequency from 107.9mc CH	300	
A MEN DMENT	2-19-60	to 105.7mc CH 289; decrease ERP to 10kw; ins	t411	
R&F	5-57-60	new transmitter (RCA BTF 5B); change type	GRAFTED	7-8-60
		antenna (RCA BFA 3A - 3 section); change	HAAT: 44	0.
		HAAT to 435 ft.		
		Engr James J. McNary		
RRH_636	1-25-60	Renewal of License.	GRANTED 7	35-50
Rec'd	5-2-60		01011120	15-00
Filed	5-2-60 5-2-60	George O. Sutton, Atty.		
		F.C.C. WASHINGTON, D. C.		

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Name Easton, Pennsylvania

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File No.	Dated	Application for	Nature	Date
BMPH-6455 R & F	10-6-60	Modification of C. P. (RPH-2802 which authorized change in antenna-transmitter location, ERP, HAAT, new antenna & changes in antenna system) to change type transmitter (Westinghouse-FM-3) & type antenna (RCA-BFA-4) Atty: George O. Sutton	GRANTED	10-28-60
BMPH-6653 R & F	3-6-61 3-7-61	Mod. of C.P. BPH-2802 as modified which authorized change in frequency, ERP, HAAT, antenna-transmitter location, new antenna and transmitter and changes in antenna system) for extension of completion date from 3-8-61 to 6-8-61.	GRANTED	3-28-61
MPH-6733 Rec'd&Filed	4-25-61	Modification of CP(EPH-2802 as mod. which auth. change ant-transmitter location; erp, haat, change antenna and ant-system) for extension completion date from 6-8-61 to 8-1-61  George O. Sutton, Atty.	MTED 6-8-	-or

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File No.	Dated	Application for	Nature	Date
EMPH-6823 R&F	6-29-61 7-3-61	Nod of CP (BPH-2802/which auth/incr ERP; incr HAAT; chg trans loc; install new antenna and T make chgs in antenna system) for extension of completion date from 8-1-61 to 10-1-61. Atty: George O. Sutton		8-11-61
H19-1911 R & F	7-26-61	Me. to cover CP(1973-2802) as med. to chg. Greenancy, decrease EMF, chg. MANT, install new trans. and antenna.	RANTED	9-14-61 COND'L
BPH-3616 R & F	71-21-61 11-22-61	105.7mc CH 289 to 96.1mc CH 241; decrease ERP from 10kw to 4kw; install new antenna (RCA BFA 2 A. 2 section) Was	RANTED ivers of nd 3.311	5-23-62 Sec. 1.356 (c) Granted.

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File No.	Dated	Application for	Nature Date
ENTE-7469 R & F	12-13-62	Mod. of CP (EFH-3616, which muth chgs in frequency, EEP and install new ant) to make chgs in trans (replace present exciter with RGA-ETE-10B exciter unit).	
11 h-4000 R & F	1-30-63	Atty: George C. Sutton  Construction permit to replace expired CF (hFh-3616) which auth chgs of freq, decr in hid and install new ant.	GRANTED 2-26-63 Waiver of Sect. 1.356 (accept. finterf.re
BLH-2379 R & F	4-15-63 4-23-63	Lic. to cover CP (BPH-4000 as reinstated) which auth chgs to freq; ERP and install new ant and specify trans as (RCA-BTF-1D).	GRANTED 6-26-63 Cond'1
* * BRH-636 R & F	4-17-63 5-2-63	Renewal of License  George O. Sutton, Atty Ashinston a.c.	GRANTED 7-29-63

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BTC-Li309 R & F	Dated 5-24-63 6-4-63 7-8-63	location and remote control point to 436		D 6-27-63
ReF	6-4-63	licensee corporation from J. Hale Steinman to Louise T. Steinman, Caroline S. Nunan and Douglas R. Armstrong, Executors of the Estate of J. Hale Steinman, Deceased.  Atty George Sutton  Medification of license to change studio Goodien and remote control point to 436	EFF:	
BRCH-453	7-1-63 7-8-63	Medification of license to change studio   G	GRANTED	7-11-63
		Northampton Street, Easton, Pennsylvania.  George O. Sutton, Atty.		
heceived 12	2-7-64 2-14-64 2-30-64	Construction permit to increase EMF to 10kw, increase TPO to 5.60kw, and install new trans (RCA-BTF-10E).	RANTED	3-30-65
		Atty: George U. Sutton		

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Name \_\_ASSECTATION INCADENSTRAS, INC.

			Action	
File No.	Dated	Application for	Nature	Date
HMFH-8489 Har	9-10-65 9-16-65	Modification of CF (BFH=4751 which authorized install new trans and changes in TFO and ELP) for extension of completion date from 11-30-65 to 3-30-66.		10-7-65
		Atty: George C. Sutton		
BHPH-8627 Rec'd Filed	12-6-65 12-14-65 1-7-66	changes in TPO and ERP) to change type trans		4-27-66 th. (Sect. es); cond'

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File No.	Dated	Application for	Nature .	Date
BMPH-8764 R & F	3-7-66	Modification of CP(BPH-4751 as modified which authorized am install new transmitter and interease TPO & ERP) for extension of completion date from 3-30-66 to 9-30-66.  Atty: George O. Sutton	to	4-11-66
BRH-636 R & F	4-20-66 5-3-66	Renewal of license  Attys - Hogan & Hertson	GRANTED	7-29-66
BMPH-9006 R & F	8-28-66	Modification of CP(BPH-4751 as zoudrasous trans- modified which authorized install new trans- mitter and increase TPO & ERPy for extension of completion date from 9-30-66 to 3-30-67.  Attys - Hogan & Hartson	GRANTED	9-26-66 3-30-67

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...ASSOCIATED BEOADCASTEES, INC. Name Easton, Pannsylvania 18042 Action Nature Application for Date File No. Dated 12/23/66 BLH-3551 Lic. to cover CP (BPH-4751 as mod.) which GRANTED 3-30-67 12/28/66 auth. install new trans., chng ERP, TPO & HAAT. chng. ant-system. Attv: L. Cohen on (ppu 1051) BRCH-808 Modification of Intoleres to operate trans-3-23-67 GRANIYOD 3-31-67 3-23-67 mitter by remote control from 436 Northampton R&F Street, Easton, Pennsylvania, Atty.: Corwin R. Lockwood Voluntary transfer of negative control of lid BTC-5532 12-15-67 1-25-68 R&F 12-27-67 corp. from Louise T. Steinman, Caroline S. Numan (Form 316) and Douglas R. Armstrong, Executors of the Estate of J. Hale Steinman, Deceased to Louise JAN 1 1 1958 T. Steinman, Caroline S. Nunan and Douglas R. Armstrong, Trustees under Articles Fourth & Fifth of the Will of James Hale Steinman Atty - Hogan & Hartson F. C. C. - WASHINGTON, D. C.

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SOUND COMMUNICATIONS CORP.

Name XASSOCIATED BROADCASTERS. INC.

File No.	Dated	Application for	Nature	Date
BRH-636 R & F #511049 \$75. PRESS	4-25-69	Renewal of license Atty-Hogan & Hartson (H. L. Roycroft)	GRANTED	7-24-69
BRH-636 R & F P.N. PRESS	4-28-72 5-3-72 5-3-72	Renewal of License  AMENDED 6-19-72 re: employment policy; prog.  Atty: Richard S. Rodin (Hogan & Hartson)	GRANTED	7-31-72
BAIH-1768 R & F FEE PD: \$10 CODE 049(AL NUV 2 S	SO SEE AM)	Voluntary assignment of license to NAUCATUCK VALLEY SERVICE, THO. *  (SEE AM FOR AMENDMENTS) Atty for assigner - Hogan & Hartson for assignee - Dow, Lohnes & Albertson  2 AMENDED 1-23-73 to chee corp name of assignee to SOUND COMMUNICATIONS CORP., Fin data.  AMENDEE 1-29-73 - statement regrant fee	EFF: 4-	Fee 11,336.00 NCLUDE AM) 4-73 paid 063

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File No.	Dated	Application for	Nature	Date
RH-636 & F P. N. Rec'd Press	3-27-75 3-28-75 3-28-75 APR 29 1975	Renewal of License.  Atty: John R. Feore, Jr. (Dow, Lohnes & Albe	GRANTED rtson)	7-23-75
BRH-636 R & F PRESS	3-20-78 4-3-78 APR 2 4 1978	Renewal of License (Main & Auxiliary) J. Dominic Mohahan, Atty.	GRANTED	7-12-78
RH810401XY RESS	ERY 26 198	RENEWAL OF LICENSE  Atty. J. Dominic Monahan		ISSUED
		P. C. C WASHINGTON, 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.

