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BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

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Date first licensed June 2, 1953

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LOCATION: MARION, OHIO

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X THE MARION BROADCASTING COMPANY (EMLH 2-3-67)

X ELLWORTH COMMUNICATIONS, INC. (ALH & ASCA 12-7-66 Eff: 1-9-67)

Name of licensee X THE MARION BROADCASTING COMPANY

Transmitter location ¹³³⁰ North Main Street, Marion, Ohio

Main studio location ⁴³³⁰² ¹³³⁰ North Main Street, Marion, Ohio

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Mcs. Freq.	E.R.P. Power	Time Div.	Period From- To-
B2-PH-523	11-26-46	102.3 No.272	2.3 kw.	U	By 1-26-47 to 7-26-47
C.P. for new FM broadcast station					
	6-26-47	106.9 Freq. assignment accord. D o 6768	(No. 295)		
BMPH-619	9-11-47	Ext. of completion date			by 1-26-47
BMPH-848	11-13-47	Mod. of CP to make changes in antenna systems			to 12-26-47
BMPH-1259	1-5-48	Ext. of completion date to			3-26-48
BMPH-1711	6-18-48	Ext. of completion date to			8-15-48
BMPH-2459	9-24-48	Ext. of completion date (cond'1)			11-30-48
BMPH-3197 BMPH-3201	4-9-52	106.9	7.6 kw	U Terr:350ft	by 6-9-52 to 1-9-53
Mod. of cp					
BMPH-4753	8-6-52	C.P. to change ERP from 7.6 to 25 kw transmitter from RCA BTF-3-B 3 kw to RCA BHF-5A, 5 kw antenna from RCA BF-12-B-2 to RCA BF-14B 4 ant. hgt. ab. av. ser. from 350 to 352 feet; overall ht ab gr from 373 to 367 ft.			
BMPH-4816	3-6-53	Extension of completion date to			6-9-53
BLH-890	6-2-53	License to cover CP to			10-1-55 L
BRH-724	9-7-55	Renewal of license to 106.9 mcs. ERP 25 kw, Terr: 330 feet			10-1-58(S)
BRH-724	9-17-58	Renewal of license to			10-1-61
BRH-724	9-15-61	Renewal of license to			10-1-64
BPH-3941 HAAT:330'	12-19-62	106.9mcs	ERP:25kw	Unl.	2-19 8-19-63
		Ch.295	TPO:5kw		
		CP to install new trans. (RCA BTF-5D) & make chgs in ant. sys. (Cond'1)			
BSCA-444	1-16-63	Subsidiary Communications Authorization on approximately 67 kc to 10-1-64			
BLH-2413	9-27-63	Lic. to cover CP(BPH-3941) which auth. install new trans. & make chgs. in ant. sys.			9-27 10-1-64
		remote control from studio.			
		106.9mcs	ERP:25kw	Unl.	9-27 10-1-64
HAAT:336'		Ch.295	TPO:5kw		

Form BC 126
June 1954
CARD #2

BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed

Call letters W H R N-FM

Station location MARION, OHIO

THE MARION BROADCASTING COMPANY (4-20-81)

~~X~~SANDANCE CORPORATION (ALH 11-26-80, EFF: 2-13-81)

Name of licensee THE MARION BROADCASTING COMPANY

Transmitter location

Main studio location

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From - To
BLH-2526 HAAT: 336'	4-10-64	106.9mc	ERP: 25kw Ch. #295 TPO: 5kw	Aux.	4-10-64 10-1-64
					Lic. to use former Main Trans. (RCA BTF-5A) as Aux. Trans. from Main Trans. loc. with RC oper. from studio loc.
BRH-724 BRSCA-444	9-14-64				Renewal of License to 10-1-67 Main and Aux & SCA
BALH-929 & BRSCA-248 Eff:	12-7-66 1-9-67				Voluntary assignment of license and SCA to ELLIOTT COMMUNICATIONS, INC.
BMLH-258	2-3-67	106.9mc	ERP: 25kw TPO: 5kw	U	2-3 10-1-67 Mod. of license to change licensee name to THE MARION BROADCASTING COMPANY (Aux. & SCA)
BRH-724	9-8-67				Renewal of License (main & Aux) 10-1-70
BRSCA-444	9-8-67				Renewal of SCA 10-1-70
BRSCA-444 BRH-724	9-30-70				RENEWAL OF LICENSES MAIN & AUXILIARY & SCA SCA CANCELLED 10-1-73
BPH-7267 HAAT: 340'	10-9-70	106.9mc Ch#295	ERP: 25kw TPO: 4.7kw	RC MAIN	12-9 10-9-71 CP chg. TPO, ERP and make chgs in transmission line
BPH-7268 HAAT: 340'	10-9-70	106.9mc Ch#295	ERP: 25kw TPO: 4.7kw	RC Aux	12-9 10-9-71 CP chg. TPO, ERP and make chgs in transmission line.
BLH-5231(L) BLH-5232	11-17-71	106.9mc	ERP: 25kw	HAAT: 340'(RC)	10-1-73 Lic. (BPH-7267) for changes. Main & Aux. Trans.
EBSA	5-22-72				
BPH-7938(L) HAAT: 340' (H&V)	7-6-72	106.9mc #295	ERP: 25kw (H&V) CP install new trans. chg. transmission line,	Unl	7-6-73 (RC) new ant. chg. ERP HAAT
BS-724(L)	9-24-72				ML to delete Aux. Trans. 10-1-73
BRH-724(L) BLH-5696 HAAT: 340' (H&V)	10-24-73				RENEWAL OF LIC. 10-1-76 Lic. to use former Main trans. for Aux. 10-1-76 106.9mhz. ERP: 14.5kw (H&V) 10-1-76 Lic. (BPH-7938) - Changes - Main 10-1-76 ERP: 25kw (H&V)

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BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed

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Station location

Name of licensee

Transmitter location

Main studio location

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Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From- To
BRH724(S)	8-15-76	Renewal of license Main & Aux.			10-1-79
BRH790604UN (S)	11-8-79	RENEWAL OF LICENSE SUPERSEDED TO CORRECT AUX. ANTENNA			10-1-82 DATE
BALH800902GR	11-26-80	VOL ALH		EFF:	2-13-81
APPL. 4-20-81	6-2-81	NAME OF LICENSEE CHANGE			

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

HIGH FREQUENCY (FM)

Call W M R N - FM
Letters NEWName THE MARION BROADCASTING COMPANY(P.O. North Main Street, Marion, Ohio)

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
B2-PH-523	7-20-45	Construction permit for new high frequency FM	Granted	1-9-46 for
Rec'd	7-26-45	broadcast station		Met. type station -
Filed	7-26-45	Frequency: 45.5 Mcs. Coverage: 3,268 Sq. Mi. Population: 215,407 Studio: North Main Street, Marion, Ohio Transmitter: Same (R.C.A. FM-1-B Max. 1kw) (Robt. C. Higgy, Columbus, O. engr.) Letter recd. 9-28-45 in answer to Comm. letter of 9-7-45. No changes. (Rural) Program analysis rec'd. 4-3-46 Engr. info recd. 9-13-46 changing frequency; coverage; type of transmitter; population and makes changes in antenna system.	Conditional - Type 4 letter mailed 1-10-46 <i>↓ possibly revised</i>	
			Basic Engr. Approved	10-31-46
			Prog. Analysis approved	10-31-46
			C.P. Issued	11-26-46

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File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BMPH-519 Rec'd Filed	7-10-47 7-25-47 7-25-47	Mod. of C. P. (B2-PH-523 which authorized a new FM broadcast station) for extension of completion date from 7-26-47 to 1-26-48. Filed by Samuel Miller, Attorney	GRANTED (ext. only to 12-26-47)	9-11-47
BMPH-849 Rec'd Filed	9-2-47 9-19-47 9-19-47	Mod. of C. P. (B2-PH-523 as modified) which authorized a new FM broadcast station to make changes in antenna system and change commencement and completion dates from 1-26-47 and 12-26-47 to 60 days from date of grant and 180 days thereafter, respectively. Filed by Samuel Miller, Attorney	GRANTED (C & C dates not incl.)	11-13-47
BMPH-1259 Rec'd Filed	12-20-47 12-23-47 12-23-47	Mod. of C. P. (B2-PH-523 as modified) which authorized a new FM broadcast station for extension of completion date from 12-26-47 to 6-30-48. Filed by Samuel Miller, Attorney	GRANTED (ext. only to 3-26-48)	1-5-48

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File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BMPH-1711 Recd. Filed	3-16-48 3-22-48 3-22-48	Mod. of C. P. (B2-PH-523 as modified) which authorized a new FM broadcast station for extension of time within which to complete construction, from 3-26-48 to 6-30-48. Filed by Samuel Miller, Att'y	GRANTED	6-18-48
BMPH-2459 Recd. Filed	8-14-48 8-16-48 8-16-48	Mod. of C. P. (B2-PH-523 as modified) which authorized a new FM broadcast station for extension of completion date from 8-15-48 to 11-30-48. Filed by Samuel Miller, Att'y.	GRANTED conditionally	9-24-48
BMPH-3197 Rec'd. Filed	11-11-48 11-17-48 11-17-48	Mod. of C. P. (BPH-523 as modified) which authorized a new FM broadcast station to change ERP from 2.3 kw. to 7.55 kw., antenna height above average terrain from 315 ft. to 352 ft., type of transmitter to RCA BTF-3B Max. 3 kw. and make changes in antenna system. Filed by Samuel Miller, Atty.	GRANTED ERP 7.6 KW Terr: 350 ft	4-9-52

Name THE MARION BROADCASTING COMPANY

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BMPH-3201 Rec'd. Filed	11-29-48 11-30-48 11-30-48	Modification of C. P. (BPH-523 as modified) which authorized a new FM broadcast station for extension of completion date from 11-30-48 to Filed by Samuel Miller, Atty.	GRANTED	4-9-52
BMPH-4753 Recd. Filed	5-28-52 6-4-52 6-4-52	Modification of construction permit (BPH-523 as modified) which authorized a new FM broadcast station to change ERP from 7.6 kw to 25 kw, type of transmitter from RCA, BTF-3-B, 3 kw to RCA, BTF-5A, 5 kw, change the antenna from RCA, BF-12-B-2-section Pylon to RCA, BF-14B, 4 sections, antenna hgt. ab. average terrain from 350 feet to 332 feet and overall height above ground from 373 ft. to 367 feet. Filed by Samuel Miller, Attorney	GRANTED	8-6-52

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File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BMPH-4816 Recd & Filed	2-21-53 2-27-53	Mod. of U.P. (BPH-523 as modified, which authorized a new FM broadcast station) for extension of completion date from 4-6-53 to 6-9-53. Filed by Samuel Miller, Attorney	GRANTED	3-6-53
BLH-290 Recd & Filed	4-18-53 4-27-53	License to cover construction permit (BPH-523, as modified) which authorized a new FM broadcast station. Filed by Samuel Miller, Atty	GRANTED	6-2-53
BRH-724 Recd & filed	7-1-55 7-5-55	Renewal of license	GRANTED	9-7-55
BRH-724 Recd Filed	7-1-58 7-3-58 7-3-58	Renewal of license	GRANTED	9-17-58

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Marion, Ohio

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BRH-724 Rec'd Filed	6-29-61 7-3-61 7-3-61	Renewal of license	GRANTED	9-15-61
EPH-3610 R & F	11-7-61 11-14-61	Construction permit to increase ERP from 25kw to 50.4kw; change HAAT from 330 ft to 336 ft; install new transmitter (RCA BTF 10D) (TPO 10kw) operate trans. by remote control from studio location (redescribed as 1330 N. Main St. Marion, O) Atty. - H.J. Schellenberg, Jr. Engr. - A.D. Ring & Assoc.	DISMISSED	10-7-63 Third Report - Order
EPH-3941 R & F	11-27-62 11-30-62	Construction permit to ^{install new} eng-type trans (RCA-BTF-5D) and make chgs in ant-sys.	GRANTED Cond'l re	12-19-62 W M R N submit 302s

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Name THE MARION BROADCASTING COMPANY
Marion, Ohio

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BSCA-444 R & F	11-27-62 11-30-62	Request for subsidiary communications authorization to operate on sub-carrier frequency of 67kc.	GRANTED	1-16-63
BLH-2413 R & F	6-22-63 6-24-63	Lic. to cover CF (BPH-3941) which auth install new trans and chg ant-sys. (Remote con rol from studio)	GRANTED	9-27-63
BLH-2526 R & F	8-28-63 8-30-63	Lic. to use former main trans (KCA-BTF-5A) as an Auxiliary trans at main transmitter location. to be operated on 106.9mc CH 295; BRP: 25kw; TQP: 5kw; HAAT: 336' with remote control from studio	GRANTED	4-10-64
BRH-724 BRSCA-444 R & F	7-1-64 7-1-64 7-6-64	Renewal of License (Main and Auxiliary) and Subsidiary Communications Authorization John B. Jacob, Atty.	GRANTED	9-14-64

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THE MARION BROADCASTING COMPANY

* ELLWORTH COMMUNICATIONS, INC.

Name * THE MARION BROADCASTING COMPANY

Marion, Ohio

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BALH-929 BASCA-248 R & F	10-18-66 10-20-66	Voluntary assignment of license and SCA to ELLWORTH COMMUNICATIONS, INC. Atty for assignor - Dow, Lohnes & Albertson for assignee - R. Russell Eagan	GRANTED Eff:	12-7-66 1-9-67
BMLH-258 R & F	1-18-67 1-18-67	Mod. of lic. to change licensee name to THE MARION BROADCASTING COMPANY Atty. Kirkland, Ellis, Hodson, etc.	GRANTED	2-3-67
BRH-724 BRSCA-444 R & F JUL 19 1967	6/8/67 6/8/67 7/3/67	Renewal of license (Main & Aux.) SCA on: 67kcs Atty: R. Russell Eagan	GRANTED GRANTED 9/8	9-8-67 9-8-67

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Marion, Ohio

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BRH-724 R & F #612745 \$75. " \$30. P.N.	6-9-70 7-1-70 7-1-70 7-1-70 7-1-70	Renewal of License (Main & Auxiliary) Atty: Erwin G. Krasnow AUG 14 1970	GRANTED	9-30-70
BRSCA-444 R & F #612745 \$30.	6-9-70 7-1-70 7-1-70	Renewal of SCA Atty: Erwin G. Krasnow AUG 14 1970	GRANTED	9-30-70
BPH-7267 R & F #631946 \$50. CODE 061 PRESS: OCT 6 1970	9-18-70 9-23-70 9-23-70	CP chg. TFO: 4.70kw & ERP: 25.2kw; And make chgs. in transmission line. (Mdir) Atty-Theodore A. Shmanda (Kirkland, Ellis etc)	GRANTED	10-9-70

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Name The Marion Broadcasting Company
Marion, Ohio

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BEH-7268	9-18-70	CP chg. TFO: 4.70kw & ERP: 25.2kw; And make changes in transmission line. (Act.) Atty-Theodore A. Shmanda (Kirkland, Ellis etc)	GRANTED	10-9-70
R & F	9-23-70			
#631947 \$50. PRESS: OCT 6 CODE 061	9-23-70			
3-3-71 Annual License Fee \$135.00	1970	COMBINED WITH WMRN-AM. SEE AM CARDS. renewal fees paid.		Credit \$135.00 10 1971
DTA	MCA-	8-25-71		

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Name THE MARION BROADCASTING COMPANY
Marion, Ohio

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BLH-5231 R & F W 025703-\$50. AC-068 PTA PRESS	8-17-71 8-20-71 8-20-71 8-25-71 NOV 12 1971	Lic.(BPH-7267) for changes - Main Transmitter Atty: Theodore A. Shmanda(Kirkland, Ellis, Hodson, etc.)	GRANTED	11-17-71
BLH-5232 R & F W 025704-\$50. AC-068 PTA PRESS	8-17-71 8-20-71 8-20-71 8-25-71 NOV 12 1971	Lic.(BPH-7268) for changes-Aux. Transmitter.	GRANTED	11-17-71
BPH-7938 R & F #080873 \$50 CODE: 061 MAY PRESS: JUN 09 1972 DJA H-12-73	6-6-72 6-9-72 6-9-72	CP install new trans(RCA-BTF-10E); install new ant.(RCA-BFC-6B, 6 sects(h&v); chg. transmission line; chg. ERP: 25.2kw(h&v); HAAT: 336' (h&v). Atty - R. Russell Eagan	GRANTED	7 6-72

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Marion, Ohio

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BLH-5696 Rec'd W 080864-\$50. Amended Amended & F PTA PRESS	6-6-72 6-9-72 6-9-72-AC-068 11-27-72 1-3-73 1-12-73 FEB 12 1973	License to use former Main transmitter(RCA, BTF-5D) for Auxiliary purposes only. ERP: 14.5kw new Sect. II-B new Sect. II-B Atty: Kirkland, Ellis & Rowe(T. A. Shmanda)	GRANTED issued w/renewal	10-24-73
BLH-5697 Rec'd W 130940-\$50. Amended & F PTA PRESS	11-22-72 11-27-72 11-27-72-AC-068 1-8-73 1-12-73 FEB 12 1973	Lic.(BPH-7938) for changes - Main trans. new 302 to cor. engr. data Atty: Kirkland, Ellis & Rowe(T. A. Shmanda)	GRANTED issued w/renewal	10-24-73
BRH-724 R & F PH PRESS	6-21-73 7-3-73 7-3-73 AUG 1 1973	Renewal of License Atty: R.Russell Eagan AMENDED 9-24-73 re: programming; 880	GRANTED	10-24-73

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SANDANCE CORPORATION

Name * THE MARION BROADCASTING COMPANY
Marion, Ohio

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BRH-724 R & F P.N. Press	5-5-76 5-28-76 5-28-76 JUN 28 1976	RENEWAL OF LICENSE (MAIN & AUXILIARY) Atty: R. Russell Eagan (Kirkland, Ellis & Rowe)	GRANTED	9-15-76
BRH 790604 UN PRESS	JUL 30 1979	RENEWAL OF LICENSE (MAIN & AUXILIARY) Jas. R. Bayes, Atty.	GRANTED	11-8-79
BALH800902GR FORM 314 PRESS PN FILED 9-30-80 (ALSO SEE WMRN-AM)	SEP 23 1980	Voluntary AL to Sandance Corporation. Atty: R. Russell Eagan (Kirkland & Ellis) AMENDED 9-10-80 re: EEO data AMENDED 9-11-80 re: Agreement of Purchase & Sale; balance sheet; financial qualifications and other financial data.	GRANTED EFF:	11-26-80 2-13-81

BALH-800902GR Amended 11-12-80 re: Bank Ltr. and
Bank Ltr. Supplement.

Amended 1-21-81 re: accounting & closing date aggrmt.

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APPLICATION RECORD-BROADCASTING

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THE MARION BROADCASTING COMPANY (4-20-81)

Name: SANDANCE CORPORATION

Station Location: Marion, Ohio

File No.	Date	Description	Action and Date
BALH810323HU Form 316 PRESS APR 30 1981 Also see WMRN(am)		Vol AL to Robert C. Kanuth, Jr. & John P. Courtright, Jr. DBA The Marion Broadcasting Company, an Ohio General Partnership Atty R. Russell Egan	EFF: 7-9-81 ISSUED
APPL. DATED PRESS (O) MAY 29 1981	4-20-81	Filed by R. Russell Egan Request to Change Name of Licensee to: THE MARION BROADCASTING COMPANY.	GRANTED: 6-2-81

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.

