

WBIQ



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# BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

B.S. Card. # 1 First Program: 4-27-55 (STARTED 4-28-55 Ltr.)

NON-Comm, ED TV B/C  
V B I Q (Ltr. 3-11-55)  
V L D B

Date first licensed 12-31-56 (Off. No. 5)

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Call letters  
(Station Loc: Birmingham, Ala.)

Name of licensee ALABAMA EDUCATIONAL TELEVISION COMMISSION

ATOP RED MOUNTAIN, Birmingham, Alabama (BPET-135 3-7-63)

Transmitter location X Red Mountain, Birmingham, Alabama

Main studio location Red Mountain, Birmingham, Alabama

# CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From - To
BPET-52	10-13-54	Ch. # 10	V. 30.9kw	U	12-13-54
		192-198mc	A. 18.6kw		6-13-55
CP for a new Non-comm. SD TV B/C Station.					
WIRE	4-27-55	STA Provide program service accord CP			
BPET-52 pending filing of Lic. Appl. Auth. expires 6-11-55					
BPET-75	5-27-55	same	same	same	12-13-54
Mod. CP (BPET-52) to extend completion date 2-13-56					
WIRE	6-6-55	EXT STA granted provide program service			
accord. CP BPET-75 pending filing of Lic. appl. Auth. expires					
2-13-56					
BPET-97	1-13-56	same	same	same	12-13-54
Mod. CP (BPET-52, as mod) to extend completion date to 8-13-56					
WIRE	2-6-56	Pending filing of lic. appl., ext. auth.			
granted to operate temp. for period ending 8-13-56 reg.					
program basis accord. CP (BPET-97)					
BPET-115	7-24-56	same	same	same	12-13-54
Mod. CP (BPET-52, as mod) to extend completion date 11-13-56					
WIRE	8-3-56	Pending filing of lic. appl., ext. auth.			
granted to oper. temp. for per. ending 11-19-56 regular					
program Basis accord. CP (BPET-114). (SEE WIRE BELOW)					
WIRE	8-7-56	Correct WBIQ STA dated 8-3-56 to read per.			
ending 11-13-56 & file BPET-115.					
WIRE	11-8-56	PENDING FILING AMEND. LIC. APPL. EXT.			
XX					
AUTH. OPR. ACCORD. MPET-114 to 12-13-56					
BLET-10	12-31-56	CH. #10	V-30.9kw	U	12-31-56 4-1-58
AH 530					
License to cover (BPET-52, as mod.)					
BRET-5	3-17-58	same	same	same	4-1-58 4-1-61
RENEWAL OF LICENSE					
BPET-71	2-13-59	CH#10	V-44.7 kw	U	4-13-59
AH: 1000'					
CP to change install new ant. sys. minor equip. AH, EXT					
BPET-71	6-1-59	CH#10	V-44.7 kw	U	4-13-59
AH: 1050'					
Mod. of CP (BPET-71) auth. changes in existing station. chg.					
ant. sys. and equipment. (MSL: 1802')					

B.S.

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BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD *NON-Commercial*

Date first licensed .....

Call letters *WBIQ* .....

Name of licensee *ALABAMA EDUCATIONAL TELEVISION COMMISSION* .....

Transmitter location *SEE CARD #1* .....

Main studio location .....

# CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From To
WIRE	11-10-59	IN ORDER TO MAINTAIN SERVICE PENDING FILING OF LIC. APPL., AUTHORITY GR. OPER. WBIQ TEMP. PER. END 12-10-59 ACCORD. CP BPET-211. ADVISE.			
WIRE	12-10-59	REFERENCE TENDERED LIC. APPL. & REQUEST FOR PROGRAM TEST, EXT. AUTH. GRANTED OPERATE WBIQ TEMP. FOR PERIOD ENDING 12-12-59 ACCORD. FACIL. SPEC. IN BPET-211 PENDING RECEIPT FCC FORM 321 FOR REINSTATEMENT EXP. CP			
WIRE	12-17-59	RE LIC. BLET-47, AUTH. GRANTED OPERATE WBIQ ON PROGRAM TEST ACCORD. CP BPET-86 & SEC. 3.629 OF RULES			
BPET-86	12-17-59	CH #10	V-42.5 kw	U	2-17-60
AH: 1050'		192-198	A-25.5 kw	MSL:1802'	8-17-60
CP to replace expired CP (BPET-71, as mod).					
BLET-47	4-28-60	CH #10	V-42.5 kw	U	4-28-60 4-1-61
AH: 1050'		192-198	A-21.4 kw	MSL:1802'	
LICENSE to cover CP (BPET-86) as mod. for changes					
BRET-5	3-22-61	same	same	same	4-1-61
RENEWAL OF LICENSE					
BPET-135	3-7-63	CH #10	V-316 kw	U	5-7-63
AH: 1050'		192-198	A-158 kw	MSL:1802'	11-7-63
CP to chg. ERP, type of transm. antenna sys. redes. PL, AH					
WIRE	8-12-63	REURTEL 8. PEND. RECEIPT WRITTEN REQUEST ACCORD. SEC. 1.331(D) & 1.303 OF THE RULES & FILING LIC. APPL. AUTH. GR. OPERA. WBIQ TEMP. PER. END. 11-12-63 ACCORD CP BPET-135. ADVISE WHEN OPER. COMMENCES UNDER THIS AUTH.			
WIRE	11-12-63	PENDING FILING LIC. APPL. EXTENSION AUTH. GR. OPERATE WBIQ TEMP. PER. END. 12-12-63 ACCORD. CP BPET-135.			
WIRE	12-13-63	RE TENDERED LIC. APPL. AUTH. GR. OPERATE WBIQ ON PROGRAM TEST ACCORD. SECTION 3.629 RULES & CP BPET-135.			
BLET-89	11-2-64	CH #10	V-316kw	U	11-2-64
AH:1050'	MSL:1802'	192-198	A-158kw		4-1-67
License to cover CP (BPET-135)					
BLET-58	2-25-65	Same	Same	Same	2-25-65
Mod. of license to reduce Aural ERP.					
			A-31.6 kw		4-1-67

Form BC 126  
June 1954

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NON-COMM. ED. TV.

# BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed See Card # 1

Call letters WBIQ

Station location \_\_\_\_\_

Name of licensee ALABAMA EDUCATIONAL TELEVISION COMMISSION

Transmitter location See Card # 1

Main studio location See Card # 1

# CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From - To
BRET-5	3-29-67	CH-10	V-316 kw	U	4-1-67
AH: 1050'	MSL: 1802'	192-198	A-31.6 kw		4-1-70
RENEWAL OF LICENSE					
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BRET-5	6-24-70	RENEWAL OF LICENSE (S)			4-1-73
EBSA	5-15-72				
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LTR.	10-10-74	SECT. 73.669 WAIVED TO PERMIT MAINT.			
OF 1 PROGRAM LOG FOR THE NINE AET <sub>0</sub> STATIONS.					

CARD NO. 1

NON-COMMERCIAL EDUCATIONAL TV

BROADCASTING STATION HISTORY RECORD

CH 10

First licensed .....

Call Letters **WBIQ-TV** .....

Station Location **BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA** .....

Name **ALABAMA EDUCATIONAL TELEVISION COMMISSION** .....

Transmitter Location **1716 VALLEY VIEW DRIVE, BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA** .....

Main studio location **2101 MAGNOLIA AVENUE, BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA** .....



Authorization Record

File No.	Granted	Facilities	Expires
BPET-517 TV STATION. AM: 1050 V. 31.6 KW; A.	2-14-80	CP FOR A NEW NON-COM ED. MSL: 1802'; 192-178 Unl.	8-14-81

CARD #1

Form A-170

FORMERLY FCC FORM 94

## APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

NONCOMMERCIAL EDU. TV B/C

Call W 5 - D - B - WBIQ

Letters W D T

Name ALABAMA EDUCATIONAL TELEVISION COMMISSION  
 (714 Protective Life Bldg., Birmingham, Ala.)

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BPET-52 Rec'd Filed	7-8-54 7-13-54 7-13-54	Construction permit for new Non-Commercial Educational TV B/C Station. Frequency: Ch. #10, (192-198 mcs) ERP: Vis. 30.8 kw, Aur. 18.5 kw S-L: Red Mt., Birmingham, Ala. T-L: Red Mt., Birmingham, Ala. Hours of Operation: Unlimited (Vis. & Aur. RCA TT-5A) 528' Filed by Corwin R. Lockwood, Atty.	GRANTED	10-13-54
BMPET-75 Recd. & Filed	5-9-55 5-10-55	Mod. of CP (BPET-52, which authorized a new Comm. ED TV B/C Station) to extend completion date from 6-13-55 to 2-13-56. Filed by Corwin R. Lockwood, Atty.	GRANTED	5-27-55
BMPET-97 Recd & Filed	1-17-56 1-18-56	Mod. of CP (BPET-52, as mod., which authorized a new Non-Comm. ED TV B/C Station) to extend completion date from 2-13-56 to 8-23-56. Filed by Corwin R. Lockwood, Atty.	GRANTED	1-23-56

A.D. Ring & Associates (Howard T. Head)  
Washington, D. C.

FORM BC-121

## APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

FORMERLY FORM A-170

Call  
Letters Y D I QName ALABAMA EDUCATIONAL TELEVISION COMMISSION  
Birmingham, Alabama

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BMPST-115 Recd & Filed Ext. # 3	7- 5-56 7-12-56	Mod. of CP (BPET-52, as mod., which authorized a new Non-Comm. ED TV B/C Station) to extend completion date from 8-13-56 to 9-1-56. Filed by: Corwin R. Lockwood, Atty.	GRANTED	7-26-56
BLET-10 Recd & filed	10-25-56 10-26-56	License to cover construction permit (BPET-52, as modified) which authorized a new Non-commercial Educational TV b/c station Filed by Corwin R. Lockwood, Atty.	GRANTED	12-31-56
BPET-71 Recd & Filed	12-18-57 12-23-57	CP to make changes in existing station - * change ERP from Vis. 30.9 kw., Aur. 15.5 kw. to Vis. 42.2 kw., Aur. 25.3 kw.; install new antenna system; make minor equip. changes and change ant. ht. abv. aver. terrain to 1003.4 ft. *change in T-L (coordinates (seconds) only). Corwin R. Lockwood, Atty. (Contingent on grant of BPCT-2449 WBRC-TV filed simultaneously herewith)	GRANTED	2-13-59

Aug. 1955

Call  
Letters W F T QName ALABAMA EDUCATIONAL TELEVISION COMMISSION  
Birmingham, Alabama

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BPET-5 Recd & filed	12-18-57 12-30-57	Renewal of license. Corwin R. Lockwood, Atty.	GRANTED	3-19-58
BPET-211 Rec. & filed	5-18-59 5-22-59	Modification of CP (BPET-71, which authorized changes in existing station) to change ERP from Vis. 44.7 kw, Aur. 26.9 kw TO Vis. 42.5 kw, Aur. 25.4 kw; type of antenna to G. E. TY-42B Modified; correct geographic coordinates (no change in site); make changes in antenna system and equipment and change antenna height above average terrain TO 1046.5 feet. Filed direct	GRANTED	6-2-59
BLET-47 Received Filed	12-8-59 12-9-59 12-17-59	License to cover CP (BPET-86, replacement for BPET-71, as modified) which authorized changes in Non-Commercial Educational Television broadcast station.	GRANTED	4-28-60

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

NON COMMERCIAL ED. TV

Call  
Letters WBIQ

Name ALABAMA EDUCATIONAL TELEVISION COMMISSION  
Birmingham, Alabama

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BPET-86 Recd.&Filed	12-15-59 12-16-59	Construction permit to replace expired CP (BPET-71, as modified) which authorized changes in existing station Filed direct	GRANTED	12-17-59
BPET-5 Recd& Filed	12-28-60 1-3-61	RENEWAL OF LICENSE	GRANTED	3-22-61
BPET-135 Recd.&Filed	2-11-63 2-13-63	Construction Permit to change ERP from Vis. 42.5 kw, Aur. 21.4 kw to Vis. 316 kw, Aur. 158 kw; type of transmitters to G.E. TT-6D and G.E. T <sup>o</sup> -5; modify the antenna system; resdescribe transmitter location as Atop Red Mountain, Birmingham, Alabama and change antenna height above average terrain to 1046.3 feet A.H. Renfro Jr., ENGR; 2151 Highland Avenue Birmingham, Alabama	GRANTED SUBJECT COMPLIANCE WITH SECTION 3.640 of RULES	3-7-63

Form BC-121  
Aug. 1955

# APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

NON-COMM. ED. TV

Call  
Letters WBTO

Name ALABAMA EDUCATIONAL TELEVISION COMMISSION

CH. 10 Birmingham, Alabama

zip 35205

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BLET-89 Recd. & Filed	12-11-63	License to cover CP (BPET-135) which authorized	GRANTED	11-2-64
	12-13-63	changes in existing station.		
BNLET-68 R & F	2-17-66	Mod. of License to reduce Aural ERP from	GRANTED	2-28-66
	2-21-66	158 kw to 31.6 kw		
BRET-5 R & F	12-20-66	RENEWAL OF LICENSE	GRANTED	3-23-67
	1-3-67			
BRET-5 R & F	12-10-69	RENEWAL OF LICENSE	GRANTED	6-24-70
	12-31-69			
PN Recd. PRESS	"		See Back GRANT RESCINDED & set for hearing pursuant to Memo. Opinion & Order adopted 2-8-72 D-19423 Designated for Hearing Min. <u>2-8-72</u>	

SEE WAIQ for Petitions

DECISION adopted 12-17-74, released 1-8-75, FCC 74-1385 29210: ACCORDINGLY, IT IS ORDERED, THAT the above-captioned applications of the Alabama Educational Television Commission for renewal of licenses of Stations WAIQ, WBIQ, WCIQ, WDIQ, WEIQ, WFIQ, WGIQ, WHIQ, and for a license to cover the construction permit for Station WTIQ ARE DENIED. IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, That the Alabama Educational Television Commission IS AUTHORIZED to file applications for licenses for the above-captioned stations or for any of them; and that, on the Commission's own motion, Section 1.519 of the Rules IS WAIVED for this purpose. IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, That the filing of competing applications for the above-captioned stations or for any of them IS INVITED; and that, in order to receive Commission consideration, a substantially complete application for each of the said stations SHALL BE TENDERED FOR FILING at the offices of the Commission in Washington, D. C. by the close of business on April 1, 1975. IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, That the Alabama Educational Television Commission IS GRANTED interim authority to operate each of its stations pending final action on the new applications to be filed ~~for~~ for ~~the~~ said stations or until further order of the Commission. IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, That these proceedings ARE TERMINATED.

MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME filed 3-31-75 by Robert J. Stein on behalf of Alabama Citizens for Responsive Public Television.

OPPOSITION TO MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME filed 4-4-75 by the Alabama Educational Television Commission

REPLY TO OPPOSITION TO MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME filed 4-11-75 BY Robert J. Stein on behalf of Alabama Citizens for Responsive Public Television, Inc.

AFFIDAVITS filed 4-11-75 by Gardner Gillespie on behalf of Alabama Educational TV Comm.

AFFIDAVIT filed 4-16-75 by R.J. Stein on behalf of Alabama Citizens for Responsive Public Television, Inc.



NONCOMMERCIAL EDUCATIONAL TV  
APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call  
Letters WBIQ

Name ALABAMA EDUCATIONAL TELEVISION COMMISSION  
CH-10 BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BRET-5 CONTINUED				
MEMORANDUM OPINION AND ORDER adopted 5-14-75, released 5-29-75 FCC 75-563 35027: Accordingly, IT IS ORDERED that the motion of Alabama Citizens for Responsive Public Television for extension of time in which to file applications for facilities previously licensed or granted to the Alabama Educational Television Commission until August 1, 1975, IS GRANTED.				

Form BC-21  
September 1969

NONCOMMERCIAL EDUCATIONAL TV  
APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call  
Letters (NEW)

Name ALABAMA EDUCATIONAL TELEVISION COMMISSION  
CH-10 BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA (PO c/o Robert E. Dod, 2101 Magnolia Ave., Birmingham, AL 35205)

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BPET-517 R & F PRESS: PN REC'D: PN RECD	3-31-75 4-1-75 16 APR 1975 4-18-75 8-1-75	CP for new Educ. TV on: Freq.: Ch-10, 192-198MHz ERP: Vis. 316kW, Aur. 31.6kW HAAT: 1046 ft. TL: 1716 Valley View Dr., Birmingham, Ala. (33-29-19 86-47-58) SL:  Trans.: GE TT-6-D + TF-5-A Ant.: GE TY-42-B  Atty.: Marvin J. Diamond (Hogan & Hartson) Engr.: Applicant  See BPET-524 for amendment of 1-6-76. AMENDED 1-16-76 re programming. AMENDED 2-25-76 re programming.	Designated for Hearing Min. 4-21-76  20676  GRANTED  Min. <del>1-4-FEB-1980</del>	

BPET-517 thru BPET-525

MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME filed 5-31-75 by Robert J. Stein on behalf of Alabama Citizens for Responsive Public Television.

OPPOSITION TO MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME filed 4-4-75 by the Alabama Educational Television Commission.

REPLY TO OPPOSITION TO MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME filed 4-11-75 by Robert J. Stein on behalf of Alabama Citizens for Responsive Public Television, Inc.

AFFIDAVITS filed 4-11-75 by Gardner Gillespie on behalf of Alabama Educational TV Commission.

AFFIDAVIT filed 4-16-75 by R. J. Stein on behalf of Alabama Citizens for Responsive Public Television, Inc.

MEMORANDUM OPINION AND ORDER adopted 5-14-75, released 5-29-75 FCC 75-563 35027:

Accordingly, IT IS ORDERED that the motion of Alabama Citizens for Responsive Public Television for extension of time in which to file applications for facilities previously licensed or granted to the Alabama Educational Television Commission until August 1, 1975, IS GRANTED.

PETITION FOR RECONSIDERATION OF ORDER EXTENDING TIME TO FILE APPLICATIONS filed 6-30-75 by Alabama Citizens for Responsive Public Television, Inc.

AFFIDAVIT filed 7-15-75 in connection with the above mentioned petition for reconsideration filed 6-30-75

OPPOSITION TO PETITION FOR RECONSIDERATION OF ORDER EXTENDING TIME TO FILE APPLICATION filed 7-15-75 by Alabama Citizens for Responsive Public Television, Inc.

AFFIDAVIT BY JESSE STEWART filed 7-17-75 on behalf of Alabama Citizens for Responsive Public Television, Inc.

OPPOSITION TO MOTION FOR STAY, OR IN THE ALTERNATIVE, FOR EXTENSION OF TIME filed 7-17-75 by The Alabama Educational Television Commission

Ltr. 7-18-75 from Robert Jay Stein on behalf of Alabama Citizens for Responsive Public TV, Inc. re "....the motion for stay may be dismissed as to the 6 freq. for which AC does not plan

Robert E. DoD  
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Birmingham, Alabama  
205-308-8726  
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## APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call  
Letters NEWName ALABAMA EDUCATIONAL TELEVISION COMMISSION  
BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA CH 10

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BPET-517 CONT'D		ATTORNEY GENERAL'S REPLY TO OPPOSITION filed 7-25-75 by ALABAMA CITIZENS FOR RESPONSIVE PUBLIC TELEVISION, INC.		
<p>Wire 8-1-75 to Wm. J. Baxley, Attorney General, State of Alabama, Montgomery: Re your mailgram of 29 July 1975. On Wednesday, July 30, 1975 the Commission considered and denied your petition for reconsideration on its merits. Alabama Educational Television Commission has also joined with the Commission in requesting dismissal of the appeal pending before the United States Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia. In view of this action, the Commission extended the deadline for filing applications for the Birmingham, Montgomery and Demopolis facilities until August 29, 1975. Oral argument on petitions for reconsideration is not provided by the Commission's Rules or the Communications Act, and the Commission sees no useful purpose to be served by your appearance before the Commission en ban. Accordingly, your request is denied.</p>				

Ltr. 1-19-76 from Marvin J. Diamond submitting copies of notices of employment discrimination  
- to Clay Pendarvis 1-21-76.

MEMORANDUM OPINION AND ORDER issued 1-14-80, released 1-15-80 FCC 80M-P-76 25268: In light of the foregoing, IT IS ORDERED that (1) the settlement Agreement between the parties IS APPROVED; (2) the pending applications of Alabama Citizens for construction permits for Channel 41, Demopolis and Channel 10, Birmingham, ARE DISMISSED; (3) AETC's Motion for Leave to Amend IS GRANTED and its tendered amendment IS ACCEPTED. Finally IT IS ORDERED that AETC's applications for construction permits for Channel 26 in Montgomery, Alabama, Channel 41, in Demopolis, Alabama, and Channel 10 in Birmingham, Alabama ARE GRANTED and this proceeding IS TERMINATED

Eff: 2-14-80

CARD NO. 2

APPLICATION RECORD-BROADCASTING  
NON-COMMERCIAL EDUCATIONAL TV

Call Letters: WBIQ-TV

Name: ALABAMA EDUCATIONAL TELEVISION COMMISSION  
CH-10

Station Location: BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA

File No.	Date	Description	Action and Date

## 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 radio 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.

TV History Cards were initiated in the early 1940s, with the authorization of the earliest TV stations. 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 television station history.

