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Form BC 126
June 1954

PROG. TEST AUTH. 8-11-67

Non-COMM. TV

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BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed 8-30-68 (OFF. NO. 130)

Call letters WFIQ

Station location FLORENCE, ALABAMA

Name of licensee ALABAMA EDUCATIONAL TELEVISION COMMISSION

Transmitter location ON COUNTY HIGHWAY #65, 4 MILES NE OF FRANKFORT, ALABAMA

Main studio location TO BE DETERMINED, Alabama

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From To
BPET-234	5-13-66	CH. 36	V-500 kw	U	7-13-66
Alt: 760' NBL:1476'		602-608	A-50.9 kw		1-13-67
CP for a New Non-Comm. ED. TV B/C Station.					
CONSTRUCTION PERMIT ISSUED WITHOUT CALL LETTERS.					
BPET-234	6-1-66	same	same	same	7-13-66
Mod. of CP CALL LETTERS Assigned 6-1-66					
BMPET-457	3-9-67	Same	Same	Same	7-13-66
Mod. of CP (BPET-234) to extend compl. date. 9-9-67					
WIRE 8-11-67 RE TENDERED LICENSE APPLI. AUTH. GR. OPERATE WFIQ TEMP. PERIOD ENDING 11-11-67 ON PROGRAM TEST ACCORD SEC. 73.629 RULES AND CP BMPET-457, AND WITH ZERO OFFSET CARRIER FREQUENCIES PENDING CORRECTION TO ASSIGNED MINUS OFFSET CARRIERS. ADVISE WHEN OPERATION COMMENCES UNDER THIS AUTHORITY AND WHEN CHANGE TO MINUS OFFSET FREQUENCIES ACCOMPLISHED.					
WIRE 10-18-67 REURTEL 16 AND LIC. APPLI. BLET-179 AUTH. GR. OPER. WFIQ ON PROG. TEST ACCORD. SEC. 73.629 RULES AND CP BMPET-457.					
BLET-179	8-30-68	(L) LIC. (BPET-234) for a new station			4-1-70
BRET-130	6-24-70	RENEWAL OF LICENSE (S)			4-1-73
EBSA 5-15-72					
LTR. 10-10-74 SEC. 73.669 WAIVED TO PERMIT MAINT. OF 1 PROGRAM LOG FOR THE NINE AETC STATIONS					

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June 1954

PTA 7-15-76

NONCOMMERCIAL EDUCATIONAL TV

BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

CH 36

Date first licensed 10-29-76 (Off. # 130)

Call letters WFTQ

Station location FLORENCE, ALABAMA

Name of licensee ALABAMA EDUCATIONAL TELEVISION COMMISSION

Transmitter location On Cty. Hwy. #65, 4 mi. NE of Frankfort, Ala.

Main studio location 2101 Magnolia Ave., Birmingham, Ala.

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From - To
BPET-520	10-29-75	Ch-36	V-589kW	Unl.	12-29-75
AH: 760' MSL: 1476'		602-608	A-58.9kW		4-29-77
OP for new noncommercial educational TV station.					
BPET-520(1)	2-12-76	Call Letters assigned.			
EBSA	2-12-76				
Wire	7-15-76	Re tendered lic. appl., auth. grtd.			
oper. PTA accord. 73.629 Rules & BPET-520.					
BLST-408	10-29-76	Ch. 36	V. 589 kW	U	4-1-79
AH: 760' MSL: 1476'		602-608	A. 58.9 kW		
Lic(BPET-520) for a new station					
BRET-781201LB 3-30-79 RENEWAL OF LIC. IS 4-1-82					

FORM BC-121
Aug. 1955

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

NON-COMM. ED. TV B/C

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Name ALABAMA EDUCATIONAL TELEVISION COMMISSION
c/o Raymond D. Hurlbert, General Manager, 2151 Highland Ave., Suite 206, Birmingham, Alabama

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BPET-234 Recd. & Filed	7-13-65 7-15-65	Construction Permit for a new Non-Commercial Educational TV Broadcast Station. CH. 57, 728-734 Mcs ERP: Vis. 577 kw - Aur. 86.5 kw Hours of Operation: Unlimited T-L: 1.8 miles N., Jonesboro, Alabama S-L: Alabama (G. E. TT-57A) AH: 767.5 ft STATION LOCATION: FLORENCE, ALABAMA	GRANTED	MAY 13 1966
AMENDED Recd. & Filed	3-7-66 3-8-66	AMENDED to change frequency from Ch. 57, 728-734 Mcs. to Ch. 36, 602-608 Mcs. (Pursuant to Fifth Report & Order In Docket #14229); change ERP to Vis. 587 kw, Aur. 58.7 kw; and change type of antenna to G.E. TY-25D.		

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

NON-COMM. ED. TV.

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 Letters WFIQ

ALABAMA EDUCATIONAL TELEVISION COMMISSION

Name
 CH-36 Florence, Alabama

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BMPET-457 R & F	12-29-66 12-30-66	Modification of CP(BPET-234, which auth. a new station) to extend completion date from 1-13-67 to 6-67.	GRANTED	3-9-67
BLET-179 R & F AUG 15 1967	8-8-67 8-10-67	License to cover CP (BPET-234, as mod.) which auth. a new station.	GRANTED	8-30-68
BRET-130 R & F PN Recd. PRESS	12-18-69 12-31-69 "	RENEWAL OF LICENSE	GRANTED	6-24-70 Grant Rescinded & set for hearing pursuant to Memo. Opinion & Order adopted 2-8-72 D-19427 SCHEDULED 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 the licenses of Stations WAIQ, WBIQ, WCIQ, WDIQ, WEIQ, WFIQ, WGIQ, WHIQ, and for a license to cover the construction permit for WIQ 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 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 4-16-75 by R.J. Stein on behalf of Alabama Citizens for Responsive Public Television Inc.

NONCOMMERCIAL EDUCATIONAL TV
APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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Letters (~~WFIQ~~) W F I Q

Name ALABAMA EDUCATIONAL TELEVISION COMMISSION
CH-36 FLORENCE, ALABAMA (PO c/o Robert E. Dod, 2101 Magnolia Ave., Birmingham, AL 35205)

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BPET-520 R & F PRESS: PN REC'D: =	3-31-75	CP for new Educ. TV on: Freq.: Ch-36, 602-608MHz ERP: Vis. 589kW, Aur. 58.9kW HAAT: 760 ft. TL: Cty. Hwy. #65, 4 mi. NE of Frankfort, Ala (34-34-48 87-46-28) SL: Trans.: GE TT-57-A Ant.: GE TY-25-D Atty.: Marvin J. Diamond (Hogan & Hartson) Engr.: Applicant	GRANTED COMMISSION ACTION (Over for condition)	10-29-75
	4-1-75			25-7-76
	6 APR 1975			
	4-18-75			

See BPET-517, Alabama Educational Television Commission, Ch-10, Birmingham,
for Petitions, Pleadings, etc.

BPET-520 - condition: Subject to the condition that no license will issue prior to
the submission of acceptable data which accurately defines the geographical location,
total height above ground, and site elevation of the supporting structure and antenna
x for the facilities authorized herein.

Robert E. Dod
2101 Magnolia Avenue
Birmingham, Alabama 35205
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NON-COMM. ED. TV

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Name ALABAMA EDUCATIONAL TELEVISION COMMISSION
Ch-36 FLORENCE, ALABAMA

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BLET-408 R&F PRESS	4-28-76 5-17-76 2 8 SEP 1976	Lic. (BPNT-520) for a new station.	GRANTED	10-29-76

NONCOMMERCIAL EDUCATIONAL TV
APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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Name ALABAMA EDUCATIONAL TELEVISION COMMISSION
CH-36 FLORENCE, ALABAMA

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BRET-130 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.				
BRET-781201LB R&F PN REC'D PRESS	11-20-78 12-1-78 79 0202	RENEWAL OF LICENSE MARVIN J. DIAMOND, ATTY (HOGAN & HARTSON)	GRANTED	3-30-79

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 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 television station history.

