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Form BC 126 AUTH. TEMP AUTH. 11-6-64 Began 11-16-64  
June 1954 PROG. TEST AUTH. 11-27-64

NON-COMM. ED. TV

### BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed 9-24-65 (OFF. NO. 87)

42

Call letters WBIQ

Station location Mobile, Alabama

Name of licensee ALABAMA EDUCATIONAL TELEVISION COMMISSION

Transmitter location 9 miles East of Mobile, 0.6 miles South of U.S. Highway 31, Near Spanish Fort, Alabama

Main studio location \_\_\_\_\_ No Studio: will interconnect by microwave with stations WBIQ, WCIQ & WDIQ

# CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From- To
BFPET-113	7-3-62	CH #42	V-17.8 kw	U	9-3-62
AH: 600'	MSL:702'	638-644	A- 8.9 kw		3-3-63
CP for a New Non-Comm. Educational TV B/c Station.					
BMPET-263	3-13-63	same	same	same	9-3-62
Mod. CP (BFPET-113) to extend completion date.					
					10-1-63
BMPET-267	4-30-63	CH.#42	V-234 kw	U	9-3-62
AH: 600'	MSL: 702'	638-644	A-126 kw		10-30-63
Mod. of CP (BFPET-113, as mod) to chg. ERP, type of trans. ant.					
BMPET-278	11-8-63	same	same	same	9-3-62
Mod. CP (BFPET-113, as mod) to extend completion dt					
					5-1-64
BMPET-296	10-19-64	SAME	SAME	SAME	9-3-62
Mod. of CP (BFPET-113) to extend completion date					
					4-19-65
WIRE 11-6-64 REURTEL 5. PENDING FIL. LIC. APPL., AUTH. GRANTED OPER. WEIQ TEMP. PERIOD ENDING 11-20-64 ACCORD. CP BMPET-296. ADV. WHEN OPER. COMMENCES UNDER THIS AUTH. BEGAN 11-16-64					
WIRE 11-27-64 RE TENDERED LIC. APPL, AUTH GRANTED OPER WEIQ ON PRG. TEST ACCORD. RULE 73-629 & B/PET-296					
BLET-110	9-24-65	CH.#42	V-234 kw	U	9-24-65
AH: 600'	MSL:702'	638-644	A-126 kw		4-1-67
LICENSE T <sub>2</sub> cover CP (BFPET-113, as mod) which auth. a new sta.					
BMPET-70	2-28-66	Same	Same	Same	2-28-66
			A-23.4 kw		4-1-67
Mod. of license to reduce Aural ERP:					
BRET-87	3-29-67	CH-42	V-234 kw	U	4-1-67
AH: 600'	MSL:702'	638-644	A-23.4 kw		4-1-70
RENEWAL OF LICENSE					
BRET-87	6-24-70	RENEWAL OF LICENSE (S)			4-1-73
ERSA 5-15-72					
LTR.	10-10-74	SECT. 73.669 WAIVED TO PERMIT MAINT OF 1 PROGRAM LOG FOR THE NINE AETC STATIONS.			

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June 1954

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NONCOMMERCIAL EDUCATIONAL TV

BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed 10-29-76 (Off. # 87)

CH 42

Call letters WEIQ

Station location MOBILE, ALABAMA

Name of licensee ALABAMA EDUCATIONAL TELEVISION COMMISSION

Transmitter location 0.6 mi. S. of US Hwy. #31, 9 mi. E. of Mobile, Ala.

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

# CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time	Period
				Div.	From To
BPET-523	10-29-75	Ch-42	V-234kW	Unl.	12-29-75
AH:600' MSL:702'		638-644	A-23.4kW		4-29-77
GP for new noncommercial educational TV station.					
BPET-523(1)	2-12-76	Call Letters assigned.			
EBSA	2-12-76				
Wire	7-15-76	Re tendered lic. appl., auth. grtd.			
oper. PTA accord.	7-15-76	71.629 Rules & BPET-523.			
BLET-407	10-29-76	Ch. 42	V. 234 kW	U	4-1-79
AH: 600' MSL: 702'		638-644	A. 23.4 kW		
Lic(BPET-523) for a new station					
BRCT-	3-30-79	RENEWAL OF LICENSE (S)			4-1-82
781201LA		MAIN TRANS. & ANT.			

FORM BC-121  
AUG. 1955

New

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Non-Comm Educa TV

Call  
Letters New W E I Q

Name ALABAMA EDUCATIONAL TELEVISION COMMISSION  
PO 2151 Highland Avenue, Suite 206, Birmingham 5, Alabama

Station location: Mobile, Ala.

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BPET-113 R & F	4-25-62 4-30-62	CP for a new Non-Comm Educa. TV B/C station Freq: Ch #42, 638-644 Mcs. ERP: Vis. 17.9 kw, Aur. 8.9 kw Hours of operation: Unlimited Station location: Mobile, Ala. S-L: None T-L: 0.6 mile South of U.S. Highway 31, near Spanish Fort, Alabama (Federal FTL-20B) (600') Dual programming with WBIQ, WCIQ & WDIQ Request for waiver of Sec. 3.685 of the Commission's rules. Filed direct A. H. Renfro, Jr. 2151 Highland Avenue, Birmingham, Alabama, Engr.	GRANTED Subject compliance with Section 3.640 of Comm's Rules. Granted waiver of Section 3.685 of Rules	7-3-62
BMPET-263 Recd.&Filed	3-1-63 3-6-63	Mod. of CP (BPET-113, which authorized a new Non-Comm. ED. TV B/C Station) to extend completion date from 3-3-63 to 10-1-63.	GRANTED	3-13-63

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

NON COMM. EDUCATIONAL TV

Call Letters WBIC

Name ALABAMA EDUCATIONAL TELEVISION COMMISSION  
MOBILE, ALABAMA

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BMPET-267 Recd.&Filed	4-10-63	Mod. of CP (BPET-113, as mod., which authorized a new Non-Comm. ED TV B/C Station) to change ERP from Vis. 17.8 kw, Aur. 8.9 kw; to Vis. 238 kw, Aur. 129 kw; change type of transmitter to GE TT-25A; type of antenna to GE TY-25D; and make changes in antenna structure and equipment. A.H. Renfro-engr.: in Ala. SUB BPET-113	GRANTED	4-30-63
	4-12-63			
BMPET-278 Recd.&Filed	10-28-63	Mod. of CP (BPET-113, as mod., which authorized a new Non-Comm. ED TV B/C Station) to extend completion date from 10-30-63 to 5-1-64	GRANTED	11-8-63
	10-31-63			
BMPET-296 Recd.&Filed	4-21-64	Mod. of CP (BPET-113, as mod., which authorized a new Non-Comm. ED. TV B/C Station) to extend completion date from 5-1-64 to 9-1-64.	GRANTED	10-19-64
	4-22-64			

## APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

NON-COMM. ED. TV

Call  
Letters WEIQName ALABAMA EDUCATIONAL TELEVISION COMMISSIONCH. 42 MOBILE, ALABAMAzip 35205

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BLET-110 Recd. & Filed	11-20-64 11-23-64	License to cover CP (BPET-111, as mod.), which authorized a New Non-Comm. ED TV Broadcast station.	GRANTED	9-24-65
BLET-70 R & F	2-17-66 2-21-66	Mod. of License to reduce Aural ERP from 126 kw to 23.6 kw.	GRANTED	2-28-66
BRET-87 R & F	12-20-66 1-3-67	RENEWAL OF LICENSE	GRANTED	3-29-67
BRET-87 R & F PN Recd. PRESS	12-10-69 12-31-69 "	RENEWAL OF LICENSE	<del>GRANTED</del>	<del>6-24-70</del> Grant Rescinded & set for hearing pursuant to Memo. Opinion & Order adopted 2-8--72 D-19426 Designated for Hearing Date <u>2-8-72</u>
Engr. Data filed	12-29-71			



See WAIQ for petitions

~~DECISION adopted 12-17-74, released 1-8-75, FCC 74-1385 292101 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 Station WIIQ 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.

Form BC-121  
September 1969

NONCOMMERCIAL EDUCATIONAL TV  
APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call  
Letters (NEW) WEI?

Name **ALABAMA EDUCATIONAL TELEVISION COMMISSION**  
CH-42 **MOBILE, ALABAMA (PO c/o Robert E. Dod, 2101 Magnolia Ave., Birmingham, AL 35205)**

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BPET-523 R & F PRESS: PN REC'D:	3-31-75 4-1-75 16 APR 1975 4-18-75	<p>CP for new Educ. TV on: Freq.: Ch-42, 638-644MHz ERP: Vis. 234kW, Aur. 23.4kW HAAT: 600 ft. TL: 0.6 mi. S. of US #31, nr. Spanish Fort, Ala. (30-39-33 87-53-33) SL:</p> <p>Trans.: GE TT-25-A    And.: GE TY-25-D</p> <p>Atty.: Marvin J. Diamond (Hogan &amp; Hartson) Engr.: Applicant</p>	GRANTED COMMISSION ACTION (Over for condition)	10-29-75
				5-5-76

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

BPET-523 - condition: Subject to the condition that no license will issue prior to  
submission of acceptable data which accurately defines the geographical location,  
total height above ground, and site elevation of the supporting structure and  
antenna for the facilities authorized herein.

Robert E. Dod  
2101 Magnolia Avenue  
Birmingham, Alabama 35205  
328-8756

NONCOMMERCIAL EDUCATIONAL TV  
APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call  
Letters WEIQ

Name ALABAMA EDUCATIONAL TELEVISION COMMISSION  
CH-42 MOBILE, ALABAMA

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BRET-87 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.				

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

EDUCATIONAL TV

Call  
Letters WEIQ

Name ALABAMA EDUCATIONAL TELEVISION COMMISSION  
Ch-4.2 MOBILE, ALABAMA

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BLET-407 R&F PRESS	4-28-76 5-17-76 28 SEP 1976	License (BPET-523) for a new station. Atty.: Marvin Diamond (Hogan & Hartson)	GRANTED	10-29-76
BPET-613 R & F PRESS:	4-20-78 4-24-78 AUG 2 1978	CP to chg. ERP to Vis. 1186kW, Aur. 118.6kW; and chg. type trans. to RCA TTV-55C/		
BRET-781201LA 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
BLET-791102KH R&F PRESS	10-26-79 11-2-79	Lic. to cover CP(BPET-613) to chg. ERP and type trans. Marvin Diamond, atty. (Hogan & Hartson)		

## 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.

