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Non-Comm. ED TV

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BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed April 29, 1977 (#262) Call letters WCFE-TV (7-21-75)
XWNE-TV
Station location PLATTSBURGH, NEW YORK

Name of licensee THE NORTHEAST NEW YORK EDUCATIONAL TELEVISION ASSOCIATION

Transmitter location Nr. top of Averill Peak, 3 mi. SW of Village of Lyon Mountain, NY (MP4-28-75)
XAtop Whiteface Mt., Approx. 31 Miles WSW of Plattsburgh, N. Y.

Main studio location Yokum Communications Lecture Hall, State University College, Platts-
XTo be determined, Plattsburgh, New York/ burgh, New York (RC10-2-79)

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From - To
BPET-366	6-12-70	Ch. 57	V. 525 kw	U	8-12-70
AH: 3150' MSL: 4946'		728-734	A. 81.3 kw		2-12-71 ✓
CP for a new station - issued without call letters					
8-24-70	CALL LETTERS ASSIGNED				
EMPET-701	1-18-71	MP(BPET-366) ext. completion date			12-12-71 ✓
EMPET-733	11-17-71	MP(BPET-366) ext. completion date			5-17-72 ✓
EMPET-741	4-24-72	MP (BPET-366) ext. date			10-24-72 ✓
ERSA	5-13-72				
EMPET-758	10-19-72	MP(BPET-366 as mod.) to extend completion date to			4-19-73.
(5)					
EMPET-780	4-13-73	MP(BPET-366 as mod.) to extend completion date			10-13-73
(6)					
EMPET-799	10-18-73	MP(BPET-366 as mod) to extend completion date			4-18-74
(7)					
EMPET-818	4-17-74	MP(BPET-366 as mod) to extend completion date			10-17-74
(8)					
EMPET-837	11-7-74	MP(BPET-366 as mod.) to extend completion date to			5-7-75.
(9)					
EMPET-844	4-28-75	Ch. 57	V. 513 kw	U	8-12-70
AH: 2440' MSL: 4091.5'		728-734	A. 102 kw		10-28-75
MP(BPET-366 as mod) to chg ERP, TL & HAAT					
EMPET-857	4-15-76	MP(BPET-366. as mod) to extend completion date			10-15-76
(1)					
EMPET-878					
EMPET-877					
ERCETV-100	10-26-76	Ch. 57	V. 145 kw	U	8-12-70
AH: 2440' MSL: 4096.08'		728-734	A. 28.8 kw		4-26-77
Remote control authority and modification (BPET-366 as mod) to ERP, trans. ant & HAAT; and extn. of completion date					
WIRE	3-2-77	Re tend. lic. appl., auth. grted. oper. WCFE Main trans. and ant. on PTA Accord			EMPET-877.

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NEW YORK

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Transmitter location SEE CARD NO. 1

Main studio location SEE CARD NO. 1

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From- To
BLET-415 AH: 2440' Lic(BPET-366) for engs.	4-29-77	Ch. 57 728-734 A.	V. 145 kW 28.8 kW	U	6-1-78
BRET-262	6-29-78	RENEWAL OF LICENSE (S)			6-1-81
BRGET-800505KF	7-22-80	Remote control authority			

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NONCOMMERCIAL EDUCATIONAL TELEVISION
APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call
Letters NEW WNNE-TV

Name THE NORTHEAST NEW YORK EDUCATIONAL TELEVISION ASSOCIATION
CH-57 (PO c/o Dr. M. Scheffel Pierce, State Univ. of N. Y., College of Arts & Science,
Plattsburgh, N. Y. 12901)

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BPET-366 R & F PRESS: PN REC'D:	3-30-70	CP for new Educ. TV on: Freq.: Ch-57, 728-734mcs ERP: Vis. 530kw(H) Aud. 82kw(H) TL: Atop White Face Mtn., approx. 31 mi. WSW of Plattsburgh, North Pole, N. Y. (44-21-56 73-54-12) SL: To be determined, Plattsburgh, N. Y. (GE TT-57-B) HAAT: 3148 ft. STATION LOCATION: PLATTSBURGH, NEW YORK Atty.: Daniel W. Toohy (Dow, Lohnes and Albertson) Engr.: Roger E. Peterson (Jansky & Bailey)	GRANTED	6-12-70
	4-1-70			
	<i>APR 2 1970</i>			
	5-4-70			
HEW application filed 4-1-70 - to Sewell 4-8-70		AMENDED 4-7-70 to substitute corrected pages 2 of Section II.		
		AMENDED 4-23-70 re studio & technical facilities and financial data.		

M. Scheffel Pierce
State University College
Plattsburgh, N. Y.
518 564-2111

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September 1969

CARD #2

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call
Letters WNNE-TVName THE NORTHEAST NEW YORK EDUCATIONAL TELEVISION ASSOCIATION
CH-57 PLATTSBURGH, NEW YORK

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BMPET-701 R & F PRESS:	1-4-71 1-4-71 JAN 13 1971	MP(BPET-366) to extend completion date to 8-12-71. Atty.: J. L. Kelley (Dow, Lohnes)	GRANTED	1-18-71
BMPET-733 R & F PRESS	11-1-71 11-9-71 NOV 15 1971	MP(BPET-366 as mod.) to extend completion date to August 1972. Atty.: Daniel W. Toohey (Dow, Lohnes & Albertson)	GRANTED	11-17-71
BMPET-741 R & F PRESS:	3-24-72 3-27-72 APR 21 1972	MP(BPET-366 as mod.) to extend completion date. Atty.: Daniel W. Toohey (Dow, Lohnes & Albertson)	GRANTED	4-24-72
BMPET-758 R & F PRESS:	9-13-72 9-18-72 OCT 11 1972	MP(BPET-366 as mod.) to extend completion date. Atty.: Daniel W. Toohey (Dow, Lohnes & Albertson)	GRANTED	10-19-72

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THE NORTHEAST NEW YORK EDUCATIONAL TELEVISION ASSOCIATION
PLATTSBURGH, NEW YORK

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BMPET-780 R & F PRESS:	3-12-73 3-15-73 APR 11 1973	MP(BPET-366 as mod.) to extend completion date to _____	GRANTED	4-13-73
BMPET-799 R & F PRESS:	9-4-73 9-10-73 OCT 1 1973	MP(BPET-366 as mod.) to extend completion date to _____ Atty: Daniel W. Toohey (Dow, Lohnes & Albertson)	GRANTED	10-18-73
BMPET-818 R & F PRESS:	3-13-74 3-15-74 APR 1 1974	MP (BPET-366 as mod.) to extend completion date to _____ ATTY: Daniel W. Toohey (Dow, Lohnes & Albertson)	GRANTED	4-17-74

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CH-57 Plattsburgh, New York

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
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BMPET-837 R & F no fee required PRESS:	9-7-74 9-27-74 NOV 1 1974	MP (BPET-366, as mod.) to extend completion date to Atty: Daniel W. Toohey (Dow, Lohnes & Albertson)	GRANTED	11-7-74
BMPET-844 R & F PRESS:	12-11-74 12-16-74 JAN 16 1975	MP(BPET-366 as mod.) to chg. ERP to Vis. 460kW(H), Aur. 140kW(H); TL to Nr. top of Averill Peak, 3 mi. SW of Lyon Mountain, N. Y. (44-41-43 73-53-00); and HAAT 2424 ft. Atty.: Daniel W. Toohey (Dow, Lohnes & Albertson) 714 filed 4-2-75 -to Bill Martin 4-21-75	GRANTED	4-28-75

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CH-57 Plattsburgh, New York

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BMPET-857 R & F no fee required PRESS:	9-19-75 9-24-75	MP (BPET-366, as mod.) to extend completion date to June 30, 1976. Atty: Daniel W. Toohey (Dow, Lohnes & Albertson)	GRANTED	4-15-76
BMPET-877 R & F PRESS:	9-16-76 9-23-76 6 OCT 1976	MP (BPET-366 as mod.) to chg. ERP to Vis. 551.1kW(Max) 144.5kW(H), Aur. 30.3kW(H); chg. type trans. to RCA TTU-30A; type ant. to Harris TAH-24U (DA); make chgs. in ant. structure (incr. hght.); and HAAT 2427.08 ft. Atty.: Daniel W. Toohey (Dow, Lohnes & Albertson)	GRANTED	10-26-76 Issued with BMPET-878 & BRCETV-100
BMPET-878 R & F PRESS:	9-23-76 9-23-76 6 OCT 1976	MP (BPET-366 as mod.) to extend completion date to November 15, 1976. Atty.: Daniel W. Toohey (Dow, Lohnes & Albertson)	GRANTED	10-26-76 Issued with BMPET-877 & BRCETV-100

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Letters WCPT-TVName THE NORTHEAST NEW YORK EDUCATIONAL TELEVISION ASSOCIATION
CH-57 PLATTSBURGH, NEW YORK

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BRCETV-100 R & F PRESS:	8-30-76 9-23-76 10-05-76	Request authority to specify SL as Yokum Communications Lecture Hall, State University College, Plattsburgh, New York, and operate trans. by remote control from SL. Amended 10-14-76 re Exhibit No. 2(F) Atty.: Daniel W. Toohey (Dow, Lohnes & Albertson)	GRANTED Issued with	10-26-76 BMPET-877 & BMPET-878
BLET-415 R&F PRESS	2-28-77 2-28-77 MAR 23 1977	Lic. to cover (BPET-366, as mod.) for a new station. Atty.: Daniel W. Toohey (Dow, Lohnes & Albertson)	GRANTED	4-29-77
BRET-262 R&F PN RECD PRESS	1-27-78 1-31-78 1-31-78 FEB 24 1978	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Atty.: Richard Marks (Dow, Lohnes & Albertson)	GRANTED	6-29-78
BRCET-800505KF PRESS		Request for auth. to operate by RC from Yokum Comm. Lecture Hall, State Univ. College, Plattsburgh, NY	GRANTED	7-22-80

State Univ College Plattsburgh NY 12901

CARD#7

NONCOMMERCIAL EDUCATIONAL TV
APPLICATION RECORD-BROADCASTING

Call Letters: WCFE-TV

Name: THE NORTHEAST NEW YORK EDUCATIONAL TELEVISION ASSOCIATION

CH-57

Station Location: PLATTSBURGH, NY

File No.	Date	Description	Action and Date
BMLET-801021KG R & F	10-15-80 10-21-80	Mod. of Lic. to decr. Aur. ERP to 14.5kW(H) Atty.: Todd D. Gray (Dow, Lohnes & Albertson)	12-10-80
BRET-810130KE R & F PN REC'D	1-19-81 1-30-81 1-30-81	RENEWAL OF LICENSE ATTY: TODD D. GRAY	J 5-29-81 GRANTED 5-29-81

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 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.

