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June 1954

STA to operate 10-5-67 STARTED 10-10-67
Prog. Test 11-16-67

NON COMM. ED. TV.

BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed 9-26-68 (OFF. NO. 136)

51 33

Call letters WETK

Station location BURLINGTON, VERMONT

Name of licensee UNIVERSITY OF VERMONT AND STATE AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE

Transmitter location SUMMIT OF MT. MANSFIELD, STOWE, VERMONT (BMPET-468-gr. 3-21-67)
X SUMMIT OF MT. MANSFIELD, 6.5 MILES EAST OF UNDERHILL, VERMONT

Main studio location X University of Vermont Campus, Burlington, Vermont
(BMPET-468-Gr. 3-21-67)
ETHAN ALLEN DRIVE, UNIVERSITY OF VERMONT CAMPUS, COLCHESTER VERMONT

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div	Period From To
BPET-201	7-8-66	CH. 33	V-646kw	U	9-6-66 3-6-67
AH: 2720' MSL: 4128' 584-590 A-64.6kw CP FOR A NEW NON-COMM. ED. TV. B/C STATION: CONSTRUCTION PERMIT ISSUED WITHOUT CALL LETTERS:					
BPET-201	11-22-66	same	same	same	9-6-66 3-6-67
Mod. of CP CALL LETTERS ISSUED.					
BPET-201	12-23-66	same	same	same	9-6-66 3-6-67
MOD. OF CP TO SPECIFY CARRIER FREQUENCY					
BMPET-463	3-21-67	CH. 33	V-245kw (DA)	U	9-6-66
BMPET-468	AH: 2680'	584-590	A-46.8kw (DA)		9-21-67 ✓
MSL: 4130.4'					
MOD. OF CP (BPET-201) TO CHG. ERP; TYPE ANT.; ANT. STRUCT; SL; AND AN. Extend Completion date.					
BMPET-511	8-31-67	Same	Same	Same	9-6-66
Mod. of CP (BPET-201, as mod.) to extend completion date.					

WIRE 10-5-67 PENDING FILING LIC. APPLI. AUTH. GR. OPER. W E T K TEMP. IN ACCORD BMPET-511 for PER. END. 11-16-67. ADVISE WHEN OPERATION COMMENCES UNDER THIS AUTHORITY. 10-16-67					
LETTER BY COMMISSION 10-18-67 GRANTED WAIVER OF SEC. 73.651 (c) OF RULES FOR PERIOD OF ONE YEAR RE IN- SCHOOL PROGRAMMING.					

WIRE 11-16-67 RE TENDERED LIC. APPLI. AUTH. GR. OPER. WETK ON PROG. TEST ACCORD. SEC. 73.629 RULES AND CP BMPET-511.					

BLET-196 9-26-68 (L) LICENSE (BPET-201, as mod) 4-1-69 LTR. BY COMM. 10-3-68 GRANTED WAIVER OF SEC. 73.651 (c) FOR PERIOD END. 4-1-69 RE IN SCHOOL PROGRAMMING.					
LTR. BY COMM. 5-14-69 GR. WAIVER OF SEC. 73.651 (c) FOR PERIOD END. 4-1-72 RE IN-SCHOOL PROGRAMMING.					

BRET-136 3-26-69 (S) RENEWAL OF LICENSE 4-1-72					
BPET-136 3-30-72 (S) RENEWAL OF LICENSE 4-1-75					

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Form BC 126
June 1954

Card No. 2

NON-COMM TV/BC

BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed

Call letters W.V.T.V.

Station location BURLINGTON,
VERMONT

Name of licensee UNIVERSITY OF VERMONT AND STATE AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE

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
BRET-136	3-31-75	Ch. 33	V. 251 kW DA (L)		4-1-75
AH: 2680'	MSL: 4130.4'	584-590 A.	10.1 kW DA		4-1-78
Renewal of license					
BRET-136	3-21-78	RENEWAL OF LICENSE (s)			4-1-81
BRCET-800-30KL	7-18-80	Remote control authority			

FORM 3C-121

AUG. 1955

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call
Letters NEW W E T KName UNIVERSITY OF VERMONT AND STATE AGRICULTURAL COLLEGECH. P.O. c/o DR. R. V. PHILLIPS, DIR. GEN. EXTENSION, UNIVER. OF VERMONT, BURLINGTON, VERMONT22 BURLINGTON, VERMONT24 File No. DatedBPET-201
Rec. & FILED7-17-64
7-21-64

Application for
Construction permit for a new Non-Commercial
Educational Television station:
Channel - 42.2, - 51.8 - 52.4 - mcs,
ERP: Vis. 648 kw, Aur. 61.8 kw
Unlimited hours
Transmitter location: Summit of Mt. Mansfield,
Stowe, Vermont
Studio location: University of Vermont campus
Burlington, Vermont
STATION LOCATION: BURLINGTON, VERMONT
(RCA TTU-30A) AH: 2790 feet
Covington & Burling-attys (E.F.Czarra)
R. W. Hodgkins-engr. 5 Sea Barn Road, Cape
Elizabeth, Maine

Action	
Nature	Date

GRANTED

JUL 6 1966

CARD 42
Form BC-121
Aug. 1955

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

NON-COMM. ED TV

Call Letters WETK-TV

Name UNIVERSITY OF VERMONT AND STATE AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE
Burlington, Vermont

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BPET-201 AMENDED Recd. & Filed	(CONT'D) 8-16-65 9-30-65	AMENDED pursuant to Fourth Report and Order in Docket #14229 on 6-4-65 EFFECTIVE 7-15-65 (Revised Table of Assignments) to change from CH. 22, 518-524 Mcs TO CH. 24, 530-536 Mcs; (change members of Board of Trustees; and additional engineering data.)	GRANTED	JUL 6 1966
AMENDED Recd. & Filed	3-25-66 3-28-66	AMENDED to change frequency from CH. 24, 530-536 TO CH. 33, 584-590 Mcs. (Pursuant to Fifth Report & Order in Docket #14229); make changes in antenna structure; (change members of Board of Trustees; and additional financial & engineering data).		

#3
FORM BC-121
AUG. 1955

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

NON-COMM. ED. TV.

Call
Letters W E T K

Name UNIVERSITY OF VERMONT AND STATE AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE
CH-33 Burlington, Vermont

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BMPET-463 R & F	2-1-67 2-6-67	Modification of CP (BPET-201, which auth. a new station) to extend completion date from 3-6-67 to 9-67.	GRANTED issued with BM ET468.	3-21-67
BMPET-468 R & F	1-27-67 2-6-67	Mod. of CP (BPET-201, which auth. a new station) to make the following changes: ERP Vis. 244 kw; Apr. 46.6 kw; type of antenna RCA TFU-30J; antenna structure and decrease antenna height above average terrain to 2682.2 feet; change studio location to Ethan Allen Drive, Colchester, Vermont and correct seconds of geographical coordinates. Jonathan D. Blake, Atty. (Covington & Burling)	GRANTED issued with BMPET463.	3-21-67

FORM BC-121
Aug. 1955

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

NON-COMM. ED. TV.
Call
Letters W E T K

Name UNIVERSITY OF VERMONT AND STATE AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE
CH-33 Burlington, Vermont

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BMPET-511 R & F AUG 28 1967	8-15-67 8-21-67	Modification of CP(BPET-201, as mod., which authorized a new station) to extend completion date to 10-10-67. Covington & Burling, Atty. (J. Peter Luedtke)	GRANTED	8-31-67
BLET-196 R & F NOV 30 1967	11-13-67 11-14-67	License to cover CP(BPET-201, as mod.) which authorized a new station. Covington & Burling, Atty. (J. Peter Luedtke)	GRANTED	9-26-68
BRET-136 R & F PRESS PN Recd.	12-20-68 12-26-68 JAN 28 1969	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Herbert M. Silverberg, Atty. (Covington, Burling)	GRANTED	3-26-69
BRET-136 R & F PN REC PRESS	12-22-71 1-3-72 1-3-72 JAN 20 1972	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Robert H. Loeffler (Covington & Burling)	GRANTED	3-30-72

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Form DC-121
September 1969Call W E T K
LettersName UNIVERSITY OF VERMONT AND STATE AGRICULTURAL COLLEGECH-33 Burlington, Vermont

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BRET-136 R & F PN Rec'd: PRESS:	11-19-74 12-2-74 12-2-74 JAN 7 1975	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Atty: Robert H. Loeffler (Covington & Burling) Ltr. 4-23-75 from Edgar Czarra submitting info. re personnel changes.	GRANTED	3-31-75
BRET-136 R&F PN RECD PRESS	11-30-77 12-1-77 12-1-77 DEC 8 1977	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Atty.: Michael Berg (Covington & Burling)	GRANTED	3-21-78
BRCET-800430KL PRESS		Request for auth. to operate by RC from Vermont ETV Studio Building, Ethan Allen Ave., Colchester, Vermont.	GRANTED	7-18-80

CARD NO. 6

APPLICATION RECORD-BROADCASTING
NON-COMMERCIAL ED TV

Call Letters: W E T K

Name: UNIVERSITY OF VERMONT AND STATE AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE

CH-33

Station Location: BURLINGTON, VERMONT

File No.	Date	Description	Action and Date
BRET-801201KJ	11-26-80	RENEWAL OF LICENSE	GRANTED 3-30-81
R & F	12-01-80	ATTY: RICHAEAL D. BERG	
PN REC'D	12-01-80	{COVINGTON & BURLING}	

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.

