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FM BROADCAST

BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed 8-14-62

Call letters WWNB-FM

Station location Jasper, Alabama

Name of licensee TRI W BROADCASTING, INC. (AL-12-11-64; EFF: 1-1-65)
X BANKHEAD BROADCASTING COMPANY, INCORPORATED

Transmitter location 1st Ave. South, Jasper, Alabama (redescription)
X W. of Southern RR tracks, INE of Town Creek, Jasper, Ala. (CP 2-12-74)
X W. 20th Street and Bankhead Highway, Jasper, Alabama

403 9th Avenue, Jasper, Alabama (BPH 10-11-74)
X West 20th St. and Bankhead Hwy., Jasper, Alabama (BRCH 6-24-69)
X Bankhead-Long Bldg., W. 20th St. & Bankhead Hwy. (red. 8-14-62)

Main Studio Location X Bankhead Long Building, Jasper, Alabama

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

APPL. NO.	DATE ISSUED	FREQ.	POWER	TIME DIV.	PERIOD FROM TO
BPH-3233	7-26-61	102.5mc	29kw	Unl	7-26-61
HAAT: 120 ft.		Ch. 273 TPO: 5kw			3-26-62
Construction permit for a new FM broadcast station.					
BPH-3233	7-26-61	This authorization & supersedes authorization dated 7-26-61.			
IMPH-7129 (1)	5-28-62	Mod. of construction permit, (BPH-3233) to change type transmitter			
BLH-2092	8-14-62	102.5mc	27kw	U	8-14 4-1-64
HAAT: 155ft.			TOP: 5kw		
CH: 273	Lic. to cover CP (BPH-3233 as mod) for a new FM B/C station.				
BRH-1355	3-13-64	Renewal of License			4-1 4-1-67
BALH-735	12-11-64	Voluntary assignment of Lic. to TRI W BROADCASTING, INC.			
EFF: 1-1-65					
BRH-1355	3-29-67	102.5mc	27kw	U	4-1 4-1-70
STC-5633	5-28-68	Vol. TC			
EFF.	6-1-68				
BRCH-937(1)	6-24-69	Operate RC.			
BRH-1355(L)	6-10-70	Renewal			4-1-73
BRH-1355	5-22-72				
BRH-1355(S)	3-30-73	RENEWAL			4-1-76
BPH-8769	2-12-74	102.5kHz	39kw (H&V)	Unl.	RC 2-12-75
HAAT: 140 (H&V)		Ch. 273	TPO: 10kw		
CP to change TL; install new trans and antenna					
BPH-8769(1)	10-11-74	MP to change SL and RC			
BSH-1355(1)	10-11-74	ML to change SL add RC			
BRH-1355	9-30-76	RENEWAL AND MODIFICATION			4-1-79
BLH-7111(L)		Lic. (BPH-8769) for changes			
BRH-781201UW (S)		RENEWAL			4-1-82

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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Letters now WVNBName BANKHEAD BROADCASTING COMPANY, INCORPORATED
(P.O. - Box 622, Jasper, Ala)Station location - Jasper, Alabama

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BPH-3233	11-29-60	Construction permit for a new FM broadcast station to be operated on:	GRANTED	7-26-61
Rec'd	12-20-60	Frequency - 102.5mc CH 273	ERP	29kw
Filed	12-20-60	ERP - 29.2kw 26.9kw	HAAT	320 ft.
		Type transmitter - GATES FM 5B		
		Type antenna - ANDREW 1308-2 (8 section)		
		HAAT 315-ft 157 ft		
		Trans. location - West 20th Street, & Bankhead Hwy. Jasper, Alabama		
		Studio location - Bankhead Building Jasper, Alabama		
		Remote Control Point - Same as studio (Contingent on grant of BP-14542) (WVNB)		
		Atty. - F. Fletcher (Spearman & Roberson)		
		Engr. - Wm. E. Benns, Jr.		
AMENDMENT	4-26-61	AMENDED to change ERP to 26.9kw; change HAAT		
R & F	5-3-61	to 157 ft; change ant-trans. location to 20th Street and Bankhead Highway, Jasper, Ala. make changes in antenna system.		

F. C. C. - WASHINGTON, D. C.

Engr. - Jules Cohen

FORM BC-121 #2
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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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Letters W W W B-FM

Name BANKHEAD BROADCASTING COMPANY, INCORPORATED
Jasper, Alabama

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BMPH-7129 R & F	2-20-62	Mod. of CP (BPH-3233, which auth. a new FM B/C Station) to change type transmitter (GATES FM 5C)	GRANTED	5-28-62
	2-21-62			
AMENDMENT R & F	4-5-62	Atty. - Spearman & Roberson AMENDED to change studio location from Bankhead-Long Building, Jasper, Ala. to "20th St. and Bankhead Hwy, Jasper, Alabama" (same as transmitter); delete remote control.		
	4-11-62			
BPH-2092 R & F	3-9-62	Lic to cover C. P. (BPH-3233, as modified) for authorization of a new FM broadcast station	GRANTED	8-14-62
	3-12-62			
BPH-1355 R & F	11-27-63	Renewal of license. Atty: Spearman & Roberson	GRANTED	3-13-64
	12-5-63			

FORM BC-121 #3
AUG. 1955

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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Letters N.W.W.B-FM

TRI W BROADCASTING, INC.

Name ☒ BANKHEAD BROADCASTING COMPANY, INCORPORATED
Jasper, Alabama

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BALH-735 Rec'd Filed	10-29-64 10-22-64 10-30-64	Voluntary assignment of license to TRI W BROADCASTING, INC. Atty. - Spearman & Roberson	GRANTED	12-11-64 EFF: 1-1-65
BRH-1355 R & F	12-12-66 1-3-67	Renewal of License Atty: Edward F. Kenahan	GRANTED	3-29-67
ETC-5633 R & F (Form 316) FEB HD:\$30 #427999 MAY 22 1968	5-10-68 5-13-68	Voluntary relinquishment of positive control of lic. corp. by W.W. Bankhead thru transfer of stock to Blossom B. Dill, Marion B. Grant, John H. Bankhead et al Atty - Fletcher, Heald (M. Rosenberg)	GRANTED EFF.	5-28-68 6-1-68

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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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Letters WMBB-FMName TRI W BROADCASTING, INC.
Jasper, Alabama

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BRCH-937 R & F #523411 \$30.	6-17-69 6-18-69 6-18-69	Modification of license to operate trans. by remote control from West 20th Street and Bankhead Hwy., Jasper, Alabama and redescribe main studio location as West 20th Street and Bankhead Highway, Jasper, Alabama.	GRANTED	6-24-69
BRH-1355 R & F #566148 \$75. P. N.	12-15-69 12-31-69 12-31-69 12-31-69	Renewal of License Atty.: Marvin Rosenberg AMENDED 5-25-70 re: commercial policy	GRANTED	6-10-70
BRH-1355 R & F PN PRESS JAN 22 1973	12-15-72 12-29-72 12-29-72	Renewal of License Atty: Marvin Rosenberg AMENDED 3-26-73 re: business interests	GRANTED	3-30-73

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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Letters WWNB-FM

Name Tri-W. Broadcasting, Inc.
Jasper, Alabama

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BPH-8769 R & F #267090 \$50 Code 057 Press	1-9-74 1-9-74 1-10-74 JAN 28 1974	CP to chg. TL to: West of Southern Railroad tracks, north and northeast of Town Creek, Jasper, Alabama; install new trans. (CCA FM-10,000DS); install new ant. (CCA FMC-HP-8, 8 sects. (H&V); chg. TPO; ERP: 39KW(H&V) and HAAT: 140' (H&V). (33° 49' 12" - 87° 16' 26") Atty: Dave G. Rozzelle(Fletcher, Heald etc.)	GRANTED Condl. re meas. show no chg. in WARP pattern	2-12-74
BRH-1355 R & F PN PRESS	10-28-75 12-1-75 12-1-75 JAN 28 1976	Renewal of license Atty- Marvin Rosenberg	GRANTED (Issued With BLH-7111)	9-30-76
BLH-7111 R & F #360884\$100 Code 001 PTA	10-29-74 11-1-74 11-5-74 11-8-74	Lic. (BPH-8769) for changes Redes TL as: 1st Avenue South, Jasper, Ala. ERP: 39 kw HAAT: 140 ft. JUL 30 1976	GRANTED	9-30-76

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Name TRI W BROADCASTING, INC.
Jasper, AL

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BRH781201UN PRESS	JAN 26 1979	Renewal of License Roderick K. Porter, Atty.	GRANTED	4-11-79

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 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.

FM History Cards were initiated in the early 1940s, with the authorization of the earliest FM stations in the FM band, then at 42 to 50 MHz. (The band was shifted to its present location, 88 to 108 MHz, in 1946.) 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 radio station history.

