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FM BROADCAST

June 1954

Official No. 1429

BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed January 24, 1963

WXRC (Eff: 9-26-66)

Call letters WXRC-FM

Station location HICKORY, N. C.

Name of licensee FOOTHILLS BROADCASTING, INCORPORATED (BPH-5-8-62)

Transmitter location 2.1 miles Southeast of business district, near Hickory, North Carolina/
(BPH-5-8-62)

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Main studio location 329 First Avenue, N. W., Hickory, North Carolina

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From - To
BPH-3694 HAAT: 350' TPO: 2.15kw	5-8-62	95.7mc CH: 239	11.5kw	Un	7-3 1-8-63
Construction permit for a new FM Broadcast station					
BLH-2288 HAAT: 350'	1-24-63	95.7mcs Ch. 239	ERP: 11.5kw TPO: 2.15kw	Unl.	1-24 12-1-63
Lic. to cover CP(BPH-3694) which auth. a new FM Broadcast Station.					
BRH-1429	11-6-63	Renewal of license			12-1 12-1-66
BPH-5604 HAAT: 350' cond' 1	1-13-67	95.7mc. ch# 239	ERP: 27kw TPO: 5kw	Unl.	3-13-67 9-13-67
Construction permit to increase ERP:					
BRH-1429	12-9-66	95.7mcs	ERP: 11.5kw	Unl.	12-9 12-1-69
BMPH-9596 (1)	10-4-67	Mod. of CP(BPH-5604) for completion date to			extension of 11-13-67
BLH-3909(S) (2)	4-2-68	Lic. to cover BPH-5604, chg)			(incr. ERP)
		95.7mhz	ERP 27kw	HAAT 350'	
BRH-1429(L)	12-11-69	Renewal			12-1-72
BSA	5-22-72	Renewal			
BRH-1429(S)	11-14-73	Renewal of License			12-1-75
BRH-1429(L)	11-12-75	RENEWAL			12-1-78
BTC-8157	11/4/76	Invol TC EFF: 12/20/76			
BTC-8566	3-8-78	VOL. TO EFF: 4-3-78			
BRH 780731	UZ (S) 11-20-78	REN. OF LIC.			12-1-81
BPH-781228AF (L) HAAT: 330' (h&v)	2-5-80	95.7mHz	ERP: 100kW.		2-5-81
CP to chg. ERP, HAAT:, install new antenna & mke. chgs. in ant. system.					
BLH-801014AN HAAT: 330' (H&V) (L)	1-27-81	95.7mHz	ERP: 100kW (H&V)		12-1-81
Lic. to cover (BPH-781228 AF) for changes.					

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Name FOOTHILLS BROADCASTING, INCORPORATED
HICKORY, NORTH CAROLINA (P.O. Edmond H. Smith, Jr., 329 First Ave., N. W.

Box 484, Hickory, North Carolina

File No.

Dated

Application for

Nature

Date

BPH-3694
Rec'd
Filed

3-1-62
3-13-62
3-13-62

CP for a new FM broadcast station to be operated on:
Frequency - 95.7mc CH 239
ERP 11.3kw
Type Antenna - Jampro JA-6-A (6 sections)
HAAT 352 feet
Type transmitter - Collins 830-E-1
TPO 2.310 kw
Trans. location - 2.1 miles SE of Hickory business district, Near Hickory, N. C.
Studio location - 329 First Ave., N. W. Hickory, North Carolina
Remote Control - Same as studio

Eng. Creutz & Snowberger

GRANTED
(Cond'l re WIRC(AM))

5-8-62

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Name FOOTHILLS BROADCASTING, INCORPORATED
Hickory, North Carolina

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BLH-2288 R & F	11-27-62 11-29-62	Lic. to cover CP (BPH-3694) which auth a new FM station.	GRANTED	1-24-63
BRH-1429 R & F	8-15-63 8-17-63	Renewal of license	GRANTED	11-6-63
BRH-1429 R & F	8-17-66 8-18-66	Renewal of License	GRANTED	12-9-66
BPH-3604 Received Resub-need & Filed	9-14-66 9-22-66 10-24-66 11-14-66	CP to increase TPO to 5kw and increase ERP to 26.77kw 26.77kw	RETURNED per Sect. 73.213 Resubmitted	10-6-66
Amend R & F	12-19-66 12-21-66	Engr. John Creutz, Washington, D. C. Amended to delete request for incr. in TPO, and chg. ERP to 26.77kw	GRANTED	1-13-67 cond'l re this does not preclude WHPE-FM being gr. auth to operate with ERP 100kw without chg in ant.hgt.

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HICKORY, NORTH CAROLINA

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BMPH-9596 R&F SEP 22 1967	9-4-67 9-5-67	Mod. of CP(BPH-5604 which authorized increase ERP) for extension of completion date from 9-13-67 to 11-13-67.	GRANTED to	10-4-67 11-13-67
BLH-3909 R & F #390524 \$30 PT	11/10/67 11/15/67 11/15/67 11/24/67	Lic. (BPH-5604, for changes)	GRANTED	4-2-68
BRH-1,29 R & F #536369 \$75. P.N. filed 8-18-69 PRESS	8-15-69 8-18-69 8-18-69	Renewal of license AMENDED 12-1-69 re: commercial matter	GRANTED	12-11-69

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Hickory, N. C.

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BRH-1429 R & F P.N. PRESS SEP 18 1972	8-15-72 8-31-72 8-31-72	Renewal of License Atty.: Wade H. Hargrove, Raleigh, N. C. AMENDED 11-6-72 re: programming	GRANTED	11-14-73
BRH-1429 R & F PN Recd. PRESS SEP 18 1975	7-23-75 8-1-75 "	RENEWAL OF LICENSE	GRANTED	11-12-75
BTC-8157 Rec'd Fee pd \$100 Filed Code 047 (FORM 316) Also see WIFC(AM) OCT 28 1976	10/13/76 9/23/76 W 616710 10/18/76	Involuntary transfer of control of lic corp from Edmond H. Smith, Jr. to Margaret A. Smith and A.H. Burgess, Executors of the Estate of Edmond H. Smith, Jr., deceased Atty - Wade Hargrove, Raleigh, N.C.	GRANTED EFF: NO FEE:	11/4/76 12/20/76 "Cond'1"

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Hickory, N.C.

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BTC -8566 R & F FORM 315 (SEE AM WXRC) (BTC-8565) FN FILED 1-24-78 JAN 27 1978	12-28-77 1-3-78	Voluntary transfer of control of lic corp from Margaret A. Smith A.N. Burgess, Co-Executors of the Estate of Edmond H. Smith, Jr., Deceased, Joseph A. Moretz, Scott H. Smith, et al (all stockholders) to Broadcast, Ltd. (over) Atty - Wade Hargrove, Raleigh, N.C.	GRANTED EFF:	3-8-78 4-3-78
BRH 780731UZ R & F PRESS	7-28-78 7-31-78 AUG 18 1978	RENEWAL OF LICENSE	GRANTED	11-20-78
BPH- 781228AF PRESS: (C) AMENDED	4-19-79	Construction permit to chg ERP: 100KW(H&V); HAAT: 327'(H&V); install new type trans HARRIS FM-20K; ant: HARRIS FMS-11, 11 sects (H&V); make chgs in atn sys(decr hght) ATTY: Wade Hargrove enrg(additional info on tower, short spacing etc)	GRANTED	2-5-80

BKC-8566 AMENDED 2-21-78 re: Sec. II, Tbl. II, B/c interest
of J.W. Oakley, T.L. Swatzel & W.R. McDonald

AMENDED 3-13-78 - statement re B'd of Directors of Banks

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Name: FOOTHILLS BROADCASTING, INCORPORATED

Station Location: HICKORY, N. C.

File No.	Date	Description	Action and Date
BLH-801014AN PTA PRESS	OCT 29 1980	License to cover (BPH-781228AF) for changes. Atty: Mark J. Prak	GRANTED 1-27-81

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 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.

