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# BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

FM

W W W K 3-17-79

X W G N U - P M (Ltr. 10-27-66)

Date first licensed May 31, 1966

Call letters X W G N O

Station location X MADISON, ILLINOIS

GRANITE CITY, ILLINOIS

(Docket 16331; 4-13-66

Eff: 5-23-66)

EFF: 3-16-79

DOUBLEDAY BROADCASTING COMPANY, INC. (AL 1-31-79

Name of licensee X CHARLES H. NORMAN

#1 Mercantile Trust Tower, 7th St. & Washington Ave., St. Louis, MI (PH781102AD 4-1-66)

X On US Hwy 67A, 2 mi. N. of Granite City, Ill. BMPH 4-23-65 LH 5-31-66

Transmitter location X 2437 State Street, Granite City, Illinois

3701 NAMEOKI ROAD, GRANITE CITY, ILLINOIS (LH5-4-81)

X 2360 Hampton, St Louis, Missouri (PH790416AO 5/29/79)

X On US Hwy 67A, 2 mi. N. of Granite City, Ill. BMPH 4-23-65 LH 5-31-66

Main studio location X 2437 State Street, Granite City, Illinois



# CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

| Appl. No.                                                                            | Date Issued | Freq.                                                                                                        | Power                         | Time Div. | Period From - To    |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------|-----------|---------------------|
| BPH-4290<br>HAAT: 145'                                                               | 9/25/64     | 106.5mc<br>Ch. 293                                                                                           | ERP: 5.7kw<br>TPO: 1kw        | Unl.      | 11/25/64<br>5/25/65 |
| CP for a new Class B FM broadcast station.                                           |             |                                                                                                              |                               |           |                     |
| BMPH-8249<br>(1)                                                                     | 4-23-65     | Mod. of CP(BPH-4290) to chg. ant.-trans. & studio loc.; decr. ERP to 5.1kw; and incr. HAAT to 165'. (Cond'1) |                               |           |                     |
| BMPH-8262<br>(2)                                                                     | 5-18-65     | Mod. of CP(BPH-4290, as mod.) for ext. of completion date to 10-15-65.                                       |                               |           |                     |
| BMPH-8519<br>(3)                                                                     | 10-20-65    | Mod. of CP (BPH-4290, as mod.) for ext. of completion date to 12-15-65                                       |                               |           |                     |
| Docket 16331<br>(4)                                                                  | 4-13-66     | Mod. of CP(BPH-4290 as mod.) to chg. station loc. to GRANITE CITY, ILLINOIS (EFFECTIVE: MAY 23, 1966)        |                               |           |                     |
| BLH-3210<br>HAAT: 160'                                                               | 5-31-66     | 105.5mc<br>ch# 293                                                                                           | ERP: 5.1kw<br>TPO: 1.0kw.     | Unl.      | 5-31-66<br>12-1-67  |
| Lic. to cover CP(BPH-4290 as mod.) which auth. a new FM broadcast station.           |             |                                                                                                              |                               |           |                     |
| BPH-5752<br>HAAT: 165'                                                               | 6-15-67     | 106.5mc<br>ch# 293                                                                                           | ERP: 50kw<br>TPO: 9.8kw       | Unl.      | 8-15-67<br>2-15-68  |
| CP to install new type trans (Collins-830F-1A0; incr. TPO; incr. ERP; and incr. HAAT |             |                                                                                                              |                               |           |                     |
| BPH-1841                                                                             | 11-24-67    | Renewal of License                                                                                           |                               |           |                     |
| BLH-3889 (1)                                                                         | 3-5-68      | License (BPH-5752)                                                                                           |                               |           |                     |
| BPH-7087<br>HAAT: 500' (h&v)<br>COND'1                                               | 5-27-70     | 106.5mc<br>ch#293                                                                                            | ERP: 50kw (h&v)<br>TPO: 9.9kw | Unl.      | 5-27-70<br>12-1-71  |
| CP Install new antenna, make chgs in ant svstem. chg. TPO, ERP and HAAT.             |             |                                                                                                              |                               |           |                     |
| EMPH-12,083<br>(1)                                                                   | 9-8-70      | MP(BPH-7087) chg in tran line, ant; TPO: 11.5kw.                                                             |                               |           |                     |
| BRH-1861 (S)                                                                         | 12-30-70    | Renewal                                                                                                      |                               |           |                     |
| EMPH-13150<br>(2)                                                                    | 2-19-71     | MP (BPH-7087) ext. time to 7-27-71                                                                           |                               |           |                     |
| Comtel                                                                               | 3-26-71     | Aut. remain silent ext. thru 4-6-71                                                                          |                               |           |                     |
| EBSA                                                                                 | 5-22-72     |                                                                                                              |                               |           |                     |
| BLH-5170 (L)                                                                         | 11-10-72    | Lic(BPH-7087) for changes 106.5mhz 50kw h&v 500' h&v                                                         |                               |           |                     |
|                                                                                      |             |                                                                                                              |                               |           | 12-1-73             |



Form BC 126 #2  
June 1954

## BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed .....

Call letters WGNU-FM .....

Station location .....

Name of licensee .....

Transmitter location .....

Main studio location .....



# CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

| Appl.<br>No.                            | Date<br>Issued   | Freq.                                                                                                                | Power   | Time<br>Div. | Period<br>From To |
|-----------------------------------------|------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------|--------------|-------------------|
| BRH-1861(S)                             | 11-28-73         | Renewal of License                                                                                                   |         |              | 12-1-76           |
| BSCA-1481                               | 7-21-75          | ECA                                                                                                                  | 67 KHz. |              |                   |
| BRH-1861(S)                             | 11-15-76         | Renewal of license                                                                                                   |         |              | 12-1-79           |
| BRSCA1481                               | "                | Renewal of SCA                                                                                                       |         |              | "                 |
| BALH781115EH                            | 1-31-79          | VOL. AL & SCA                                                                                                        |         | EFF:         | 3-16-79           |
| EPSCA                                   | 3-17-79          | chg. call                                                                                                            |         |              |                   |
| BPH790416AO<br>HAAT: 500'<br>(L)        | 5/29/79<br>(H&V) | 106.5mhz ERP: 50kW TPO: 10.5kW 5/29/80<br>CP to mke chgs in ant, system, chg SL<br>& RC, type trans, type ant & TPO. |         |              |                   |
| BRH790730VQ<br>BRSCA790730VQ<br>(L)     | 11-30-79         | RENEWAL OF LICENSE                                                                                                   |         |              | 12-1-82           |
| BPH781102AD<br>HAAT: 560'<br>(L)        | 4-1-80<br>(H&V)  | 106.5mhz ERP: 39kw (H&V)<br>CP to mke chgs in ant. sys., TL,<br>type trans., type ant. & chg TPO.                    |         |              | 4-1-81            |
| BLH-790619AD<br>HAAT: 500'<br>(H&V) (L) | 6-13-80          | 106.5MHz ERP: 50KW (H&V)<br>Lic. to cover (BPH-<br>790416AO) for changes.                                            |         |              | 12-1-82           |
| BLH-810202AF<br>HAAT: 560' (H&V)<br>(L) | 5-4-81           | 106.5mHz ERP: 39kW (H&V)<br>License to cover (BPH-<br>781102AD) for changes.                                         |         |              | 12-1-82           |



Aug. 1955

## APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call  
Letters NEW STNOName CHARLES H. NORMAN  
MADISON, ILLINOIS (PO7552 Wydown Blvd., St. Louis 5, Missouri)

| File No.          | Dated                | Application for                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | Action  |         |
|-------------------|----------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------|---------|
|                   |                      |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | Nature  | Date    |
| BPH-4290<br>R.&F. | 12-19-63<br>12-24-63 | CP for a new FM broadcast station to be operated on:<br>Frequency: 106.5mc CH 293<br>ERP: 5.695kw<br>TPO: 1kw<br>HAAT: 146'<br>Trans.-Collins 830D-1A<br>Antenna:-Collins 37M-6, 6 sections<br>Trans. Loc.- 2437 State Street<br>Granite City, Ill.<br>Studio Loc.- Same as transmitter.<br><br>Atty: Samuel Miller<br>Engr: Ralph J. Bitzer, St. Louis, Mo. | GRANTED | 9/25/64 |



FORM BC-121 #2  
AUG. 1955

# APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters WGNU-FM

Name CHARLES H. NORMAN  
X MADISON, ILLINOIS

GRANITE CITY, ILLINOIS

| File No.                     | Dated                          | Application for                                                                                                                                                                                                                | Action                                        |                      |
|------------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|----------------------|
|                              |                                |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | Nature                                        | Date                 |
| BMPH-8249<br>H&F             | 4-8-65<br>4-13-65              | Modification of CP (BPH-4290 which authorized a new FM broadcast station) to decrease EHP to 5.125kw; increase HAAT to 163'; and change studio and ant-trans location to 2 miles north on U.S. Highway 67A, Granite City, Ill. | GRANTED<br>Cond'l re WGNU (AM)<br>submit 302s | 4-23-65              |
| BMPH-8262<br>R&F             | 4-19-65<br>4-21-65             | Modification of CP (BPH-4290 which authorized a new FM broadcast station) for extension of completion date from 5-25-65 to 10-15-65.                                                                                           | GRANTED                                       | 5-18-65              |
| BMPH-8519<br>H&F             | 10-5-65<br>10-7-65             | Modification of CP (BPH-4290 as modified which authorized a new FM broadcast station) for extension of completion date from 10-15-65 to 12-15-65.                                                                              | GRANTED<br>to                                 | 10-20-65<br>12-15-65 |
| BLH-3210<br>R & F<br>Amended | 11/8/65<br>11/10/65<br>5-25-66 | Lic. to cover CP (BPH-4290 as mod.) which auth. a new FM b/c station.<br>Change Station Location to:<br>Granite City, Illinois.                                                                                                | GRANTED                                       | 5-31-66              |



## APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call  
Letters

W G N U-FM

Name **CHARLES H. NORMAN**  
**GRANITE CITY, ILLINOIS**

| File No.                                         | Dated              | Application for                                                                                                                                                                            | Action  |          |
|--------------------------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------|----------|
|                                                  |                    |                                                                                                                                                                                            | Nature  | Date     |
| BPH-5752<br>R & F                                | 3-10-67<br>3-15-67 | Construction Permit to install new type trans. (Collins-830F-1A); incr. TPO to 9.75kw; increase ERP to 50.0kw; and incr. HAAT to 163 feet.<br>Atty: Samuel Miller<br>Engr. Ralph J. Bitzer | GRANTED | 6-15-67  |
| BRH-1861<br>R & F<br>SEP 19 1967                 | 8-22-67<br>8-24-67 | Renewal of License                                                                                                                                                                         | GRANTED | 11-24-67 |
| BLH-3889<br>R & F<br>PTA-12/14/67<br>FEB 28 1968 | 12/4/67<br>12/5/67 | Lic. to cover CP (BPH-5752) which auth. install new trans.. incr. ERP, TPO & HAAT, specify type CCA FM-10,000D.<br>Engr: Ralph Bitzer<br>Atty: Samuel Miller                               | GRANTED | 3-5-68   |



# APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call  
Letters W.G.N.-U-EM

Name Charles H. Norman  
Granite City, Illinois

| File No.                                                     | Dated                                                  | Application for                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | Action                                                                                                                                                           |         |
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|                                                              |                                                        |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | Nature                                                                                                                                                           | Date    |
| BPH-7087<br>R & F<br>#592086 \$75<br>PRESS:<br>PN REC'd:     | 4-5-70<br>4-10-70<br>4-10-70<br>APR 21 1970<br>4-22-70 | CP install new Ant(CCA-6810-12, 12 horiz. & 12 vert. sects); make chgs. in ant. system (incr. hght); TPO: 9.9kws; operate with vert. ERP: 5kws; HAAT: 500 ft.; operate with vert. HAAT: 500 ft.<br><br>Atty - Samuel Miller<br>Engr- Ralph Bitzer, St. Louis, Missouri<br>Ltr. regarding to Programming. | GRANTED<br>COND'I<br>Subject to the condition that prior to construction of the proposed antenna structure there be submitted to and approved by the Commission. | 5-27-70 |
| AMENDED                                                      | 5-18-70                                                |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |                                                                                                                                                                  |         |
| BMPH-12,083<br>R & F<br>#626428 \$50.<br>061<br>PRESS: SEP 3 | 8-21-70<br>8-24-70<br>8-24-70<br>1970                  | MP(BPH-7087)chgs in transmission line. chg. Ant(CCA-6811-12, 12 horiz. & 12 vert. sects); chg. TPO: 11.64kw.<br><br>Engr. Ralph J. Bitzer                                                                                                                                                                | GRANTED                                                                                                                                                          | 9-8-70  |



# APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call  
Letters WGNU-FM

Name CHARLES H. NORMAN  
Granite City, Illinois

| File No.                                                                     | Dated                                  | Application for                                                                                                                             | Action                |          |
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|                                                                              |                                        |                                                                                                                                             | Nature                | Date     |
| BRH-1861<br>R & F<br>P.N.<br><br>SEP 1 1970                                  | 8-25-70<br>8-31-70<br>9-3-70           | Renewal of License<br><br>Atty: Samuel Miller<br>AMENDED 12-1-70 re: programming                                                            | GRANTED               | 12-30-70 |
| BMPH-13,150<br>R & F<br>#659319 \$50.<br>CODE 068<br>PRESS: 8 FEB 1971       | 1-25-71<br>1-27-71<br>1-27-71          | MP (BPH-7087) as mod) ext. of time to<br>(for Chgs.)<br><br>Atty-None.<br>Annual filing fee \$96.00 paid 12-22-70 #651908.                  | GRANTED<br>to 7-27-71 | 2-19-71  |
| BLH-5159-70<br>R & F<br>PW 015029 \$50.<br>AC-068<br>PTA<br>PRESS AUG 2 1971 | 6-30-71<br>7-2-71<br>7-2-71<br>7-12-71 | Lic. (BPH-7087, as mod.) for changes.<br>Transmitter: CCA, FM-10,000DS.<br><br>Atty: Samuel Miller<br>Engr: Ralph J. Bitzer, St. Louis, Mo. | GRANTED               | 11-10-72 |



# APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

106.5mc.

Call  
Letters WGN U-FM

Name Charles H. Norman  
Granite City, Illinois

| File No.           | Dated    | Application for                                                                                                        | Action  |          |
|--------------------|----------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------|----------|
|                    |          |                                                                                                                        | Nature  | Date     |
| Ltr. Dated         | 11-30-72 | Filed by Charles H. Norman, Request for Dual City identification<br>from: GRANITE CITY, ILLINOIS- ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI. |         |          |
| Rec'd:             | 11-30-72 |                                                                                                                        |         |          |
| Filed:             | 12-4-72  |                                                                                                                        |         |          |
| PRESS: DEC 15 1972 |          |                                                                                                                        | GRANTED | 1-26-73  |
| BRH-1861           | 8-21-73  | RENEWAL OF LICENSE                                                                                                     |         |          |
| R & F              | 8-29-73  |                                                                                                                        |         |          |
| PN Recd.           | "        |                                                                                                                        | GRANTED | 11-28-73 |
| PRESS 17 SEP 1973  |          |                                                                                                                        |         |          |
| BSCA-1481          | 5-23-75  | Request for Subsidiary Communications<br>Authorization on a sub-carrier frequency of<br>67 khz.                        |         |          |
| Rec'd              | 5-28-75  |                                                                                                                        |         |          |
| Filed              | 6-11-75  |                                                                                                                        |         |          |
| #439391 \$100      | 6-17-75  |                                                                                                                        |         |          |
| Code 057           |          |                                                                                                                        | GRANTED | 7-21-75  |
| PRESS JUN 20 1975  |          |                                                                                                                        |         |          |



Form BC-121  
May 1976

## APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call  
Letters WGNI-FMName Charles H. Norman  
Granite City, Illinois

| File No.                                                                    | Dated                                                             | Application for                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | Action   |          |
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| BPH-<br>Rec'd<br>Filed<br>#586795 \$400<br>Code 001<br>Press<br>P. N. Rec'd | 6-28-76<br>6-30-76<br>7-1-76                                      | CP to chg. TL to: 532 DeBalivier, St. Louis,<br>Missouri; install new trans. (CCA FM-25,000DB);<br>install new ant. (CCA SFC-HP-8, 8 sects.<br>(H&V); make chg. ant. system (incr. hght.);<br>chg. TFO; ERP: 100KW(H&V) and HAAT: 540' (H&V).<br><br>38° 39' 08" - 90° 17' 03"<br><br>Atty: Miller & Fields (OVER) | RETURNED | 3-27-79  |
| BRH-1861<br>R & F<br>P.N.<br>PRESS<br>BRSCA-1481<br>R & F                   | 7-30-76<br>7-30-76<br>7-30-76<br>OCT 6 1976<br>7-19-76<br>7-30-76 | Renewal of License<br>Atty.: Samuel Miller<br><br>Renewal of SCA                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | GRANTED  | 11-15-76 |



BPH- 12-22-76 PETITION TO DENY AND DISMISS APPLICATION AND ITS REQUESTS FOR MODIFICATION OF FM TABLE OF ASSIGNMENTS IN MULTIPLE WAIVERS OF FCC RULE FOR MINIMUM MILEAGE SEPARATION REQUIREMENTS BY STATION WGNU-FM AT GRANITE CITY, ILLINOIS FILED BY ARTHUR STAMBLER ON BEHALF OF JIM SOUTHARD, CECIL POFF AND SOLAN LOTT

8-7-79 OPPOSITION FOR RECONSIDERATION FILED 8-7-79 by RUSSELL EAGAN, ATTY. AND JOHN C. QUALE, RODNEY L. JOYCE ON BEHALF OF KSHE, INC.

8-21-79 REPLY TO OPPOSITION FILED 8-21-79 BY ATTYS. MICHAEL N. BADER AND JOHN WELLS KING ON BEHALF OF DOUBLEDAY BROADCASTING COMPANY, INC.



# APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

106.5MHz.

Call W W W K  
Letters X W G N U-FM

DOUBLEDAY BROADCASTING COMPANY, INC.

Name CHARLES H. NORMAN

GRANITE CITY, ILLINOIS

| File No.                                     | Dated                     | Application for                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | Action          |                    |
|----------------------------------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|--------------------|
|                                              |                           |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | Nature          | Date               |
| BPH781102AD<br>PRESS                         |                           | CP to make change in Antenna System; chg. TL to: Mercantile Trust Tower, 7th St. & Washington Ave., St. Louis, Missouri; chg. type Trans. (COLLINS 831H-2); chg. type Ant. (ELECTRONICS RESEARCH, INC. CP-1000-3, 3 sects. Circularly Polarized); decre. ERP: 38.9kw (H&V); incre. HAAT: 565' (H&V) & chg. TPO. | GRANTED         | 4-1-80             |
| AMENDED                                      | 4-16-79                   | 38° 37' 48" 90° 11' 26"<br>enr(additional info on ant) (SEE OVER)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |                 |                    |
| BALH781115EE<br>PRESS<br>Form314<br>PN filed | DEC 1 1978<br><br>12-4-78 | Vol AL to DOUBLEDAY BROADCASTING COMPANY, INC.<br>(INCLUDE SCA)<br>Atty for assignor Samuel Miller<br>Atty for assignee John Wells King<br><br>LTR from atty filed 11-24-78 - include SCA                                                                                                                       | GRANTED<br>EFF: | 1-31-79<br>3-16-79 |



BALH781115EE Amended 1-5-79 re: projected cost data in connection with minor chgs. in facilities of WGNU-FM

AMENDED 1-16-79 re: Oper. expenses; Exh. 6 to reflect add. of stock %ages

AMENDED 1-24-79 - Cert of Auth for Ill; legal data re stock

& B/C int;

BPH781102AD

Amended R & F 1-10-78 re: projected cost data

Ltr. Recd 3-9-79 Martin Leader on behalf of KEZK-FM  
re Objects to grant of appl. for CP filed 11-2-78

*Pl. No. 9358  
reconsideration from 55440*

- 2-28-80 MOTION FOR RECONSIDERATION Filed by Martin R. Leader on behalf of Metroplex Communications of Missouri, Inc. licensee of KEZK-FM
- 3-25-80 REPLY TO OPPOSITION TO PETITION FOR RECONSIDERATION Filed by Martin R. Leader on behalf of METROPLEX COMMUNICATIONS OF MISSOURI, INC. licensee of KEZK-FM



P8A

106.5mhz

## APPLICATION RECORD-BROADCASTING

Call Letters: W W W K

DOUBLEDAY BROADCASTING COMPANY, INC.

Name: CHARLES H. NORMAN

Station Location: GRANITE CITY, ILLINOIS

| File No.                             | Date | Description                                              | Action and Date  |
|--------------------------------------|------|----------------------------------------------------------|------------------|
| BRH 790730 VQ<br>BRSCA " SEP 27 1979 |      | RENEWAL OF LICENSE<br>RENEWAL OF SCA<br>M.H.Bader, Atty. | GRANTED 11-30-79 |



## APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call  
Letters W W W KName DOUBLEDAY BROADCASTING COMPANY, INC.  
GRANITE CITY, ILLINOIS

| File No.                     | Dated       | Application for                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | Action             |         |
|------------------------------|-------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------|---------|
|                              |             |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | Nature             | Date    |
| BPH790416AO<br>PRESS (O)     | JUN 6 1979  | CP to make changes in Antenna System; chg.<br>SL & RC to: 2360 Hampton, St. Louis, Missouri;<br>chg. type Trans. (CCA 10,000D); chg. type<br>Ant. (HARRIS FML-12C, 12 sects. H&V); chg.<br>ERP: 50kw (H&V); HAAT: 500' (H&V) & chg. TPO.<br><br>38° 45' 11" 90° 07' 09" | GRANTED<br>cond'ls | 5/29/79 |
| BLH-790619AD<br>PTA<br>PRESS | JUN 9 1980  | License to cover (BPH-790416AO) for changes.<br><br>Atty: John Wells King                                                                                                                                                                                               | GRANTED            | 6-13-80 |
| BLH-810202AF<br>PTA<br>PRESS | JUN 12 1981 | License to cover (BPH-781102AD) for changes.<br><br>Atty: John Wells King                                                                                                                                                                                               | GRANTED            | 5-4-81  |



## 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 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 radio station history.

