BROADCASTING STATION HISTORY RECORD

First licensed

Coll Letters W N E H(TV)

Station Location GREENWOOD, SOUTH CAROLINA

SOUTH CAROLINA EDUCATIONAL TELEVISION COMMISSION

Road 264, 3 miles east of Ware Shoals, South Carolina, Greenwood, SC

Main studio location

Authorization Record

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APPLICATION RECORD-BROADCASTING

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CH-38

Station Location: Greenwood, South Carolina(2712 Millwood Avenue, Drawer L., Columbia, SC 29250)

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File No.	Date	Description	Action and Date	
BPET-810330KF R&F BUILDEF 20'81	3-18-81	CP FOR NEW NON-COMMERCIAL EDUCATIONAL TV ON: Freq: 614-620MHZ CH-38 ERP:Vis.1776kw Aur: 177.6kw HAAT: 768Ft. TL:Road 264, 3 miles east of Ware Shoals,SC, Greenwood, South Carolina (34-22-21-82-10-03) SL:Piedmont Tech. Emerald Road, Greenwood,SC Trans.:HARRIS TV-55U Ant: Andrews 39E5 (BT) MAJOR ENVIROMENTAL ACTION ATTY: DANIEL M. REDMOND ENGRN: Charlton W. Bowers	GRANTED 1-26-82	
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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.

