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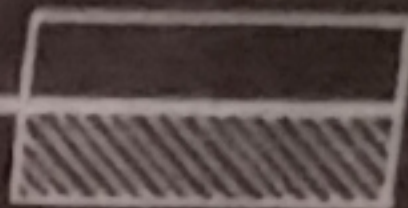
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Form BC 126  
June 1954

Non Commercial Educational

# BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

#609

Date first licensed March 13, 1973

Call letters WQE D-EH

Station location Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

Name of licensee <sup>metropolitan</sup> Metropolitan Pittsburgh Public Broadcasting, Inc.

Transmitter location 2850 Berthoud Street, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania (PED-11-24-71)

Main studio location 4802 Fifth Avenue, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania (PED-11-24-72)

# CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From - To
BPED-1182(L) HAAT 500' (H&V)	11-24-71	89.3	ERP: 4kw (H&V) CP for New FH ED Station		11-24-72
BRCED-100(1)	12-27-71		Operate. by Remote Control		
BPED-1182(2)	1-31-72		Call letters assigned		
BESA	5-15-72				
BMPED-943 (3)	11-10-72		MP(BPED-1182, as mod.)	Extension time	3-1-73
BLED-1069(L)	1-13-73		Lic(BPED-1182) for new station		8-1-75
BRED-609(S)	7-23-75		Renewal of License		8-1-78
BRED-609	7-12-78		(S) REN. OF LIC.		8-1-81

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters NEW-EDUC-FM

Name Metropolitan Pittsburgh Public Broadcasting, Inc.  
X Metropolitan Pittsburgh Educational Television  
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania (PO 4802 fifth Avenue, Pittsburgh, Penna. 15213)

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BPED-1,182 R & F NO FEE REQUIRED: PRESS: NOV 25 1970 PN REC'd:	11-1-70 11-2-70 1-28-71	CP for New Educ. FM on: 89.3mc. #207 ERP: 43kw; HAAT: 500-ft. TPO: <del>16.79kw.</del> Trans: RCA-BTF-20EL; Ant: RCA-BFC-6B, 6 sects. TL: 2850 Berthoud St., Pittsburgh, Penna. SL: 4802 Fifth Avenue, Pittsburgh, Penna.  40° 26' 46" - 79° 57' 51"  Atty- Henry Goldberg Engr-----	granted	11-24-71
AMENDED AMENDED AMENDED	12-15-70 1-21-71 6-9-71	Section II. Engr. Data w/ref. to Antenna Sketch. chg. HAAT: 499ft. TPO: 15.3kw; & Engr. Statement (REVISED).		
AMENDED PRESS: 6	7-29-71 AUG 1971	Chg. Name to: Metropolitan Pittsburgh Public Broadcasting, Inc.		

CONTACT: Lloyd Kaiser  
412-683-1300  
4802 Fifth Avenue  
Pittsburgh, Pa. 15213

## APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

89.3mc

Call WQED-FM  
Letters  UnassignedName METROPOLITAN PITTSBURGH PUBLIC BROADCASTING, INC.  
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BRGED-100 R & F No Fee Required Press 17 DEC 1971	11-30-71 12-3-71	Mod. of CP (BPED-1,182) to operate transmitter by remote control from 4802 Fifth Avenue, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.  Atty: Henry Goldberg	GRANTED	12-27-71
BMPED-943 R & F No Fee Required Press NOV 7 1972	10-25-72 10-26-72	MP (BPED-1,182) ext. time to 3-1-73. (New Station)  Atty: J. Peter Luedtke	GRANTED  TO:	11-10-72  3-1-73
BLED-1069 R & F PTA Amended PRESS MAR 2 1973	1-15-73 1-17-73 1-23-73 2-27-73	License (BPED-1182, as mod.) for New FM Educ. Broadcast Station. Atty: Covington & Burling (Robert H. Loeffler) Section VI	GRANTED	3-13-73

Form BC-121  
September 1969

## APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call  
Letters WQED-FMName Metropolitan Pittsburgh Public Broadcasting, Inc.  
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BRED-609 R & F P. N. Rec'd Press	3-21-75 4-1-75 4-1-75 MAY 9 1975	Renewal of License.  Atty: Theodore Voorhees, Jr. (Covington & Burling)  AMENDED 4-4-75 Sect. I, page 2 of 301-A.	GRANTED	7-23-75
BRED-609 R & F PRESS	4-2-78 4-3-78 APR 2 1978	Renewal of License	GRANTED	7-12-78
BRED-810401YO PRESS:	MAY 26 1981 4-1-81	RENEWAL OF LICENSE  public notice	<i>grd.</i>	7-7-81

## 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.

