

WHTV

WHTV-TV
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Form BC 126 #1 PROG. TEST AUTH. 6-5-68
June 1954 Ceased Operation 10-13-70

COM.TV

24
BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Resumed operation 12-6-72

{EFF:

WHTV 7/30/79}

Date first licensed 6-8-70 (OFF. #670)

Call letters WHTV-TV X

Station location MERIDIAN, MISSISSIPPI

CENTRAL TELEVISION, INC. (BALCT-454 3-23-72 EFF: 5-7-72)

X DELTA COMMUNICATIONS CORPORATION, DEBTOR IN POSSESSION (BALCT-453 3-1-72)

Name of licensee X DELTA COMMUNICATIONS CORPORATION

US HIGHWAY 45, 1.8 MILES SOUTH OF MERIDIAN, MISSISSIPPI (BMPCT-6634 10-23-67)

Transmitter location 0.3 MILE EAST OF MOUNTAIN ROAD (RT. 45), 1.7 MILES SOUTH OF ROUTE 80,
NEAR MERIDIAN, MISSISSIPPI

US HIGHWAY 45, 1.8 MILES SOUTH OF MERIDIAN, MISSISSIPPI (BMPCT-6634 10-23-67)

Main studio location 0.3 MILE EAST OF MOUNTAIN RD. (RT. 45), 1.7 miles S of Rt. 80, Nr. Meridian,
MISS.

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From-- To
BPCT-3954	7-10-67	CH.24	V-275 kw	U	9-10-67
AH:610' MSL:1049'		530-536	A-27.5 kw		3-10-68
CP FOR A NEW COMM. TV B/C STATION.					
<u>CONSTRUCTION PERMIT ISSUED WITHOUT CALL LETTERS</u>					
BPCT-3954	9-25-67	same	same	same	9-10-67
Mod. of CP. CALL LETTERS ASSIGNED.					3-10-68
BPCT-6634	10-23-67	CH.24	V-245 kw	U	9-10-67
AH: 550' MSL:1000'		530-536	A-24.5 kw		3-10-68 ✓
Mod. of CP (BPCT-3954) to chg. ERP, FL, SL; type of antenna. AH					
BPCT-6755	3-29-68	MP (BPCT-3954)	ext. time		9-29-68
(1) -----					
WIRE	6-5-68	RE TEND.	LICENSE APPL.	AUTH. GR. OPER.	
WHTV ON PROG. TEST ACCORD. SEC. 73.629 RULES AND CP					
BPCT-6755. ADVISE WHEN OPERATION COMMENCES UNDER THIS					
<u>AUTH.</u> -----					
BTC-5929	12-16-69	VOL. T/C			
BLCT-1793	6-8-70	LIC.(BPCT-3954) for a			6-1-73
new station					
WIRE	10-13-70	PENDING FINANCIAL REORGANIZATION AUTH.			
GR. REMAIN SILENT TEMP. PER. END. 1-13-71 ✓ THIS AUTH.					
CONTINGENT ON SUBSEQUENT FILING OF WRITTEN REQ. ACCORD.					
DEC. 1.542 and 1.513 RULES AND WRITTEN CERTIFICATION THAT					
TOWER LIGHTING IS BEING MAINTAINED. ADVISED WHEN OPERATION					
<u>RESUMED.</u> -----					
WIRE	3-15-71	ABOVE AUTH. EXT. TO			6-8-71 ✓
WIRE	6-28-71	ABOVE AUTH. EXT. TO			9-6--71
WIRE	8-31-71	ABOVE AUTH. EXT. TO			12-6-71 ✓
WIRE	12-3-71	ABOVE AUTH. EXT. TO			3-6--72 ✓
WIRE	3-7-72	ABOVE AUTH. EXT. TO			6-6-72 ✓
BALCT-454	3-23-72	Vol A/L.			
EBSA	5-15-72				
WIRE	5-26-72	ABOVE AUTH. EXT. TO			9-6-72 ✓
WIRE	8-24-72	ABOVE AUTH. EXT. TO			12-6-72
Ltr. from atty. 12-4-72 giving notification that Station					
will resume operations 12-6-72.					

Form BC 126 CARD # 2
June 1954

COMM. TV B/C

BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed

Call letters WHTV-TV

Station location MERIDIAN, MISS.

Name of licensee CENTRAL TELEVISION, INC.

Transmitter location SEE CARD NO. 1

Main studio location SEE CARD NO. 1

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From- To
BRCT 670	3-12-75	Renewal of license (L)			6-1-76
BRCT-670	7-16-76	Renewal of license (S)			6-1-79
BPCT-5213	11-30-78	Ch-24, 530-536MHz	Unl.		1-30-79
AH:610' MSL:1049' ERP:V-631W, A-63.1kW					5-30-80
CP to chg. type ant., ERP, ant. structure & HAAT.					
BRCT-7901	5-18-79	RENEWAL OF LICENSE (S)			6-1-82
BMPCT-8007	9-10-80	MP(BPCT-5213) to extend completion date to			3-10-81

FORM BC-121
AUG. 1953

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

COMM. TV.

Call WHTV-TV
Letters ~~HEM~~

Name DELTA COMMUNICATIONS CORPORATION
(c/o Wayman H. D. Walker 4432 Jim West Bellaire, Texas 77401

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BPCT-3954 R & F	4-14-67 4-21-67	Construction Permit for a New Comm. TV B/C Station: CH. # 24, 530-536 Mcs. ERP: Visual 278 kw (Hours) Aural 27.8 kw (Hours) Unlimited Hours TL: 0.3 mile E. of Mountain Rd. (Rt 45) 1.7 Mile S. of Rt. 80 Near Meridian, Mississippi SL: Same as above (Townsend & Assoc. TL-15-BT) AH: 610 feet STATION LOCATION: MERIDIAN, MISSISSIPPI Scharfeld, Boehhoefer & Baron, Atty. (Michael Finkelstein) David L. Steele, Sr., Engr.	GRANTED	7-10-67

FORM BC-121
Aug. 1955

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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To Be Assigned

Name DELTA COMMUNICATIONS CORPORATION
CH. 24 MERIDIAN, MISSISSIPPI

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BMPCT-6634 R & F OCT 4 1967	9-22-67 9-22-67	Mod. of CP (BPCT-3954, which authorized a new station) to make the following changes: ERP Vis. 221 kw (HORZ); Aur. 22.1 kw (HORZ); Change Transmitter and Studio Location to 1.8 mile South of Meridian on US Hwy. 45, Near Meridian, Mississippi; type of antenna to RF Systems, Inc.; antenna structure and decrease antenna height above average terrain to 550'. REQUEST FOR WAIVER OF SECTION 73.613(b) OF RULES. Michael Finkelstein, Atty. (Scharfeld, Bechhoefer)	GRANTED	10-23-67
BMPCT-6755 R & F MAR 5	2-20-68 2-23-68	Mod. of CP (BPCT-3954, as mod., which authorized a new station) to extend completion date from 3-10-68 to _____. Michael Finkelstein, Atty. (Scharfeld, Bechhoefer)	GRANTED	3-29-68
BLCT-1793 R & F PRESS	5-31-68 6-3-68	LICENSE (BPCT-3954, as mod) for a new station. Michael Finkelstein, Atty. (Scharfeld, Bechhoefer)	GRANTED	\$30.00 #433431 6-3-68 6-8-70

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FORM BC-121
Aug. 1955

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CENTRAL TELEVISION, INC.

Name DELTA COMMUNICATIONS-CORPORATION
Ch. 24 Meridian, Mississippi

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action		
			Nature	Date	
BTC-5929	4-25-69	Voluntary transfer of control of permittee corporation from F. Carrington Weems to F. Carrington Weems, Charles Weiner, Richard E. Wilbourn, James G. Wilbourn and Mrs. Garnett S. Wilbourn. Req. waiver of Sec. 1.597 of Comm's Rules. Michael Finkelstein (Sharfeld, Bechhoefer) AMENDED 8-26-69 re legal & programming.	GRANTED	12-16-69	
Rec. & filed	4-28-69			EFF:	12--17-69
\$270 fee paid	4-28-69				
\$120 fee refunded					
PRESS	MAY 1 1969				
PN RECD.	5-26-69				
PN RECD.	6-10-69				
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BALCT-453	9-5-71	Voluntary assignment of license to Delta Communications Corporation, Debtor In Possession. Atty.: Henry A. Solomon (Haley, Bader & Potts) Ltr. from atty. 1-6-72 submitting legal info.	GRANTED	3-1-72	
R & F	9-8-71				
#029750 \$250	9-8-71				
AC: 055					
PRESS	9-15-71				

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CENTRAL TELEVISION, INC.

DELTA COMMUNICATIONS CORPORATION

MERIDIAN, MISSISSIPPI

Name
CH-24

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BALCT-454 R & F #003328 \$1000 AC: 051 PRESS PN REC'D GRANT FEE: GRANT FEE PAID:	9-4-71 9-10-71 9-10-71 SEP 16 1971 10-6-71	Voluntary assignment of license to Central Television, Inc. Atty.: Henry A. Solomon (Haley, Bader & Potts) AMENDED 9-16-71 re proposed programming of Assignee. Amended 10-26-71 re Item 12, Sec. 1, re legal. Amended 3-8-72 re financial.	GRANTED EFF: 5-7-72	3-23-72
BRCT-670 R & F PN REC'D PRESS:	2-28-73 3-5-73 3-5-73 MAR 30 1973	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Atty: Henry A. Solomon (Haley, Bader & Potts) Amended 5-16-73 re programming. Amended 6-4-73 re programming Amended 6-19-73 re programming	GRANTED COMM. ACTION CONDITIONAL	3-12-75

PETITION TO DENY APPLICATION TO REMAIN SILENT, AND TO CONDITION FUTURE OPERATING AUTHORITY filed 11-21-72 by James A. McKenna, Jr. on behalf of Southern Television Corporation. (WTOK-TV)

MOTION TO DISMISS filed 12-6-72 by Henry A. Solomon on behalf of Central Television, Inc.

OPPOSITION TO MOTION TO DISMISS filed 12-20-72 by James A. McKenna, Jr. on behalf of Southern Television Corporation. (WTOK-TV)

MEMORANDUM OPINION AND ORDER ADOPTED 3-12-75 RELEASED 3-20-75;;FCC 75-310 30537

Therefore, continued operation of WHTV-TV as a satellite must be in accordance with the following condition: The Licensee of satellite television station WHTV-TV is required to maintain operating local studio facilities in Meridian, Mississippi.

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COMMERCIAL TELEVISION

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Name CENTRAL TELEVISION, INC.
CH-24 Meridian, Mississippi

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BRCT-670 R & F PN Rec'd: PRESS:	1-26-76 1-30-76 1-30-76 20 FEB 1976	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Annual Reports Filed Contours filed 1-30-76 Atty: Henry A. Solomon (Haley, Bader & Potts)	GRANTED See over	7-16-76 for condition.
BPCT-5213 R&F PRESS	6-8-78 JUL 9 7 1978	CP to chg. ERP to Vis. 720kW(Max), 600kW(H), Aur. 55.5kW(H), chg. SL & TL to Boseman Way, Meridian, Mississippi (32-19-40.1 88-41-32.6), chg. Trans. to Townsend Assoc. BT-TA30BT, chg. Ant. to RCA TFU-30J & make chgs. to Ant. Structure, (incr. hght.) & HAAT 608. Atty.: Henry A. Solomon AMENDED 6-19-78 re engineering	GRANTED	11-30-78
AMENDMENT PRESS 781019KE	10-19-78	AMENDED to chg coordinates to 32-19-40 88-41-28.		

BNCT-670 grtd. 7-16-76 - condition:

The licensee of Satellite Television Station WHTV-TV is required to maintain operating local studio facilities in Meridian, Mississippi.

APPLICATION RECORD BROADCASTING

COMMERCIAL TELEVISION

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Name CENTRAL TELEVISION, INC.
CH-24 MEMPHIS, MISSISSIPPI

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BPCT-790131L R & F PN REC'D: PRESS:	1-30-79 1-30-79 07 MAY 1979	RENEWAL OF LICENSE	GRANTED	5-18-79
----- PETITION FOR REVOCATION OF LICENSES: CEASE AND DESIST ORDERS: IMMEDIATE SUBMISSION OF RENEWAL APPLICATIONS: DISCRIMINATORY PROGRAMMING AND EMPLOYMENT PRACTICES: FAIRNESS DOCTRINE COMPLAINTS AND OTHER VIOLATIONS 3-5-79 by Alvin O. Chambliss for Viewers of the South -----				
BMPCT-800714KG R&F PRESS	7-14-80 7-14-80	MP(BPCT-5213) to extend completion date. (HALEY, BADER & POTTS)	Granted	9-10-80
BMPCT-810331KF		MP (BPCT-5213, as mod) to extend completion date.	GRANTED to	7-16-81 1-16-82

MEMORANDUM OPINION AND ORDER adopted 4-23-79 released 4-23-79
FCC 79-250 5760: In view of the IS OFFERED, That the "Petition
for Revocation of Licenses; Cease and Desist Orders; Immediate Submission
of Renewal Applications; Discriminatory Programming and Employment
Practices; Fairness Doctrine Complaints and Other Violations", filed
March 5, 1979, IS DENIED.

402(b) appeal filed 5-25-79.

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 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.

