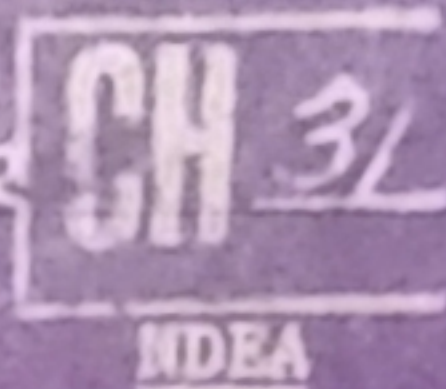


BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

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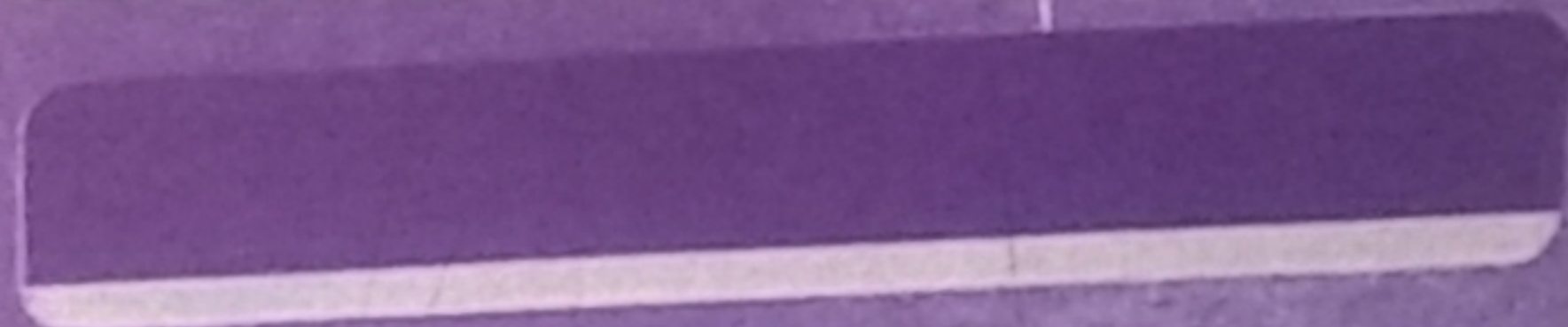
Date first licensed 10-22-62 EFFECTIVE 11-1-62
(OFFICIAL # 533)



Call letters WNYC-TV
(Station Loc: New York, N. Y.)

COMM. TV B/C

Name of licensee CITY OF NEW YORK, MUNICIPAL BROADCASTING SYSTEM



Transmitter location North Tower, World Trade Center, New York, N.Y. (BP 4-18-74)
XEMPRESS STATE BUILDING, 350 5th Ave., New York, New York (BMPCT-5772 9-18-62)
XMunicipal Bldg., Centre and Duane Streets, New York, New York

Main studio location Municipal Building, Chambers and Centre Streets, New York, N.Y. (BMPCT-5772 9-18-62)
XMunicipal Bldg., Centre and Duane Streets, New York, New York

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From- To-
BPCT-899	5-12-54	Ch. # 31	V251kw	U	7-12-54
		572-578mc	A135kw		1-12-55
CP for a new Comm. TV B/C Station.					
MPCT-2676	12-20-54	same	same	same	7-12-54
Mod. CP (BPCT-899) to extend completion date to					
					7-12-55
MPCT-3176	6-22-55	same	same	same	7-12-54
Mod. CP (BPCT-899, as mod.) to extend completion date					
					1-16-56
MPCT-3641	2-17-56	same	same	same	7-12-54
Mod. CP (BPCT-899, as mod.) to extend completion dt.					
					7-16-56
MPCT-4046	7-26-56	same	same	same	7-12-54
Mod. CP (BPCT-899, as mod) to extend completion dt.					
					10-16-56
MPCT-4292	9-18-62	CH #31	V-25.1 kw	U	7-12-54
MPCT-5772	AH:1290'	572-578	A-12.6 kw	MSL:1520'	3-18-63
Mod. CP (BPCT-899, as mod) to chg. ERP, TL, redescribe SL, chg. type of trans. & antenna, AH, extend comple. date.					
LCT-1224	10-22-62	CH #31	V-25.1 kw	U AH:1290'	11-1-62
EFFECTIVE	11-1-62	572-578	A-12.6 kw	MSL:1520'	6-1-63
LICENSE to cover CP (BPCT-899, as mod) which auth. a new Stat					
BRCT-533	5-31-63	Same	Same	Same	6-1-63
RENEWAL OF LICENSE					
					6-1-66
COMM. LETTER adopted 10-21-64 WNYC-TV AUTH. TO ENGAGE IN ENCODED OR SCRAMBLED TRANSMISSIONS FOR ADDITIONAL PERIOD ENDING 10-31-65 SUBJECT TO CONDITIONS. see ltr.					
WIRE	2-7-66	REURLET 26.	PENDING FILING FCC FORM 301 FOR PERMANENT CHANGE, AUTH. GRANTED OPER. WNYC-TV TEMP. PERIOD END 3-1-66 WITH AURAL POWER 10 PERCENT LICENSED VISUAL POWER.		
MPCT-3839	10-3-66	CH-31	EMERG. MAINT. &		12-5-66
AUX. TRANS.		572-578	TEST ONLY		6-5-67
CP to install Aux. Trans.					
BRCT-538	5-27-66	Same	Same	Same	6-1-66
RENEWAL OF LICENSE					
					6-1-69
MPCT-6548	5-25-67	same	same	same	12-5-66
Mod. of cp (BPCT-3839) to ext. compl. date					
					11-25-67 ✓
Aux. Trans.					

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June 1954

COMM. TV B/C

Card #2

BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed See Card #1

Call letters WNYC-TV

Station location New York, N.Y.

Name of licensee CITY OF NEW YORK, MUNICIPAL BROADCASTING SYSTEM

Transmitter location SEE CARD #1

Main studio location See Card #1

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From- To
AUX. TRANS. BMPCT-6672	12-8-67	same	same	same	12-5-66
<u>Mod. of CP (BPCT-3839) to ext. compl. date.</u>					
WIRE WNYC-TV AUX. TRANS.	6-3-68	RE TEND.	LICENSE APPL.	AUTH. GR. OPER.	6-8-68
ON PROG. TEST ACCORD. SEC. 73.629					
<u>RULES AND CP BMPCT-6672.</u>					
WIRE	7-1-68	COMM. TODAY GR.	YOUR REQUEST FOR 90 DAY AUTH. TO OPERATE ON AN EXP. BASIS 1 KW TRANS. ON CH. 77 UTILIZING CH. 77 MICROWAVE ANT. INSIDE WINDOW IN 80th FLOOR OF WNYC-TV TRANSMITTER ROOM. AZIMUTH MAJOR LOBE 29 DEGREES TRUE MAX. ERP. 400 KW. AS CONDITION OF GRANT YOU ARE REQUIRED TO FURNISH COMM. WITH COMPLETE REPORT OF THE OPERATION AND MEASUREMENTS MADE.		
WIRE	9-19-68	PENDING TRANSMISSION LINE REPAIRS AUTH. GR. OPER. WNYC-TV TEMP. PER. END. 12-19-68 WITH REDUCED AURAL POWER. ADVISE WHEN NORMAL OPERATION RESUMED.			
WIRE	9-28-68	EXT. AUTH. GR. OPER. ON AN EXP. BASIS A 1 KW TRANS. ON CH. 77 PERIOD END. 12-28-68 ACCORD. CONDITIONS COMM. WIRE 7-2-68.			
WIRE	1-15-69	PEND. TRANS. LINE REPAIRS EXT. AUTH. GR. OPER. WNYC-TV TEMP. PERIOD END. 3-19-69 WITH REDUCED AURAL POWER. ADVISE WHEN NORMAL OPER. RESUMED.			
BRCT-533	5-22-69	RENEWAL OF LICENSE (S)			6-1-72
BLCT-1792	4-28-70	LIC. TO COVER (BPCT-3839) AUX. TRANS.			6-1-72
BLCT-700	4-28-70	Ch. 31	V. 25.1	U	6-1-72
AH: 1290' MSL: 1520'		A. 2.51			
<u>ML to reduce aural BRP.</u>					
EBSA BRCT-533	5-15-72 5-31-72	REN. OF LICENSE(S) (NDEA) MAIN TRANS. & ANT., AUX. TRANS.			6-1-75
Wire	11-21-74	Experimental auth. grtd. oper. using Teleglobe Pay-TV '410' system as specified in your req. & in accord. with Sect. 73.666 & 73.651 of Rules temp. per. end. 2-21-75. Advise when oper. commences under this auth. This auth. subj. to the submission of complete report of the experiment to the Commission upon expiration.			

BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed

Call letters WNYC-TV

Station location

Name of licensee CITY OF NEW YORK, MUNICIPAL BROADCASTING SYSTEM

Transmitter location

Main studio location

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From- To
WIRE	2-14-75	Ext. exp. auth. grtd. oper. WNYC-TV			
using teleglobe PAY-TV "410" system as specified in your request of 10-28-74 and in accord. with Sect. 73.666 and 73.651 of Commission's rules temp. per. ending 5-22-75. This auth. is subj. to the submission of a complete report of the exp. to the Commissior upon exp.	10-28-74				
BPCT-4428	4-18-74	Ch. 31	V. 513 kW DA		6-18-74
AH: 1560' MSL: 1741' CP to chg ERP, TL,		572-578 A. 51.3 kW DA			10-18-75
		trans & ant & HAAT			
BMPCT-7598 (1)	12-19-75	MP(BPCT-4428) to extend completion date to:			6-19-76
BRCT-533	6-30-76	Renewal of license (S)			6-1-78
MAIN TRANS. AND ANT.		AUX. TRANS.			
BMPCT-7648 (2)	2-15-77	MP(BPCT-4428 as mod) to extend completion date			8-15-77
BMPCT-800604KE (4)	7-28-80	MP(BPCT-4428 as mod) to extend completion date			1-28-81
BRCT-533	2-17-81	RENEWAL OF LICENSE(S)			6-1-81
BPCT-5180 (3)	1-2-80	MP(BPCT-4428 AS MOD.) TO EXTEND COMPLETION DATE TO:			7-2-80
BRCT-533	2-17-81	SUPERSEDES PREV. AUTH. OF SAME DATE TO SHOW CORRECT DATE OF GRANT.			

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

CLASS TV B/C

Call WNYC-TV

Letters ~~NEW~~ (U)

Name CITY OF NEW YORK, MUNICIPAL BROADCASTING SYSTEM
 (Municipal Bldg., New York, N. Y.)

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
B PCT-899 Recd. Filed	4-18-52 4-22-52 5-12-52	Construction permit for a new Commercial TV B/C Station for operation on a non-commercial basis. FREQ: Ch. No. 31, 572-578 Mc. ERP: Vis. 186 kw, Aur. 93 kw Hrs. of Operation: Unlimited S-L: Municipal Bldg., Chambers St. at Centre St., New York, N. Y. T-L: Municipal Bldg., Chambers St. at Centre St., New York, N. Y. (587.2') (Vis. & Aur. RCA TTU 12A) Filed direct)	GRANTED	5-12-54
AMENDED Rec'd Filed	5-6-54 5-10-54 5-10-54	Amended to chg. ERP from Vis. 186 kw, Aur. 93 kw to Vis. 251.55 kw, Aur. 150 kw; antenna height above average terrain from 587.2' to 588'; type antenna; type trans. (RCA TTU 12A); other equipment; and S&T-L from Municipal Bldg., Chambers St. at Centre St., New York, N.Y. to Municipal Bldg., Centre and Duane Sts., New York, N. Y. (descrip. only)		

William H. Pitkin (Engineer)
2500 Municipal Bldg.
New York 7, New York

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Call Letters WNYC-TV

Name CITY OF NEW YORK MUNICIPAL BROADCASTING SYSTEM
New York, New York (PO c.o Seymour N. Siegel, Director, Municipal Building, New York 7,

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action New York)	
			Nature	Date
BMPCT-5772 R & F	8-13-62 8-14-62	Modification of CP (BPCT-899, as mod. which auth. a new Comm. TV Broadcast station) to change ERP from Vis. 251 kw, Aur. 135 kw to Vis. 890 kw, Aur. 433 kw; change transmitter location from Centre and Duane Street, New York, New York to Empire State Bldg., 350 Fifth Avenue New York, New York; redescribe studio location as Municipal Bldg., Chambers & Centre Streets, New York, New York; change transmitters to RCA TTU-50A; Type of antenna to Helpar, Inc., type CAT 111; make changes in the antenna system and change antenna height above average terrain to 1294 feet. Rhyne and Rhyne-attys; 400 Hill Bldg., Wash 6, D. C.	GRANTED	9-18-62 <i>issued with doc 4-4292</i>
BPCT-533 Recd. & Filed	2-26-63 3-6-63	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Thomas P. Brown, III, Atty. (Same firm as above)	GRANTED	5-31-63
WIRE RECVD. Rhyne and Rhyne- attys	5-11-65 (See AM KGMO)	re Thomas P. Brown III, NO longer associated with firm of		

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Call Letters WTKG-TV

Name CITY OF NEW YORK MUNICIPAL BROADCASTING SYSTEM
New York 7, New York

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BPCT-4292 Recd & Filed Ext.#3	9-16-56 10-1-56	Mod. of CP (BPCT-899, as mod., which authorized a new COMM. TV B/C Station, for operation on a Non-Comm. Basis) to extend completion date from 10-16-56 to 4-16-57. Filed by Eugene F. Mallin, Jr., Atty.	GRANTED ISSUED WITH BPCT-5772	9-18-62
AMEND. LTR. (1) rec.	3-23-60 3-25-60	AMEND. LTR. Request Extension of time Filed by applicant & ATTY Charles A. Duke Jr. of Rhyne & Rhyne; 400 Hill Bldg. Wash. 6, D.C.		
BLCT-1224 Received FILED	8-13-62 8-14-62 9-18-62	License to cover CP (BPCT-899, as modified) which authorized a new Commercial TV broadcast Station	Submitted simultaneously with BLCT-5772 GRANTED EFFECTIVE	10-22-62 11-1-62

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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call
Letters WNYC-TVName
CH. #31CITY OF NEW YORK, MUNICIPAL BROADCASTING SYSTEM
NEW YORK, NEW YORK

Zip 10007

		Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
7-1-64		WNYC-TV (COMM. TV) in N.Y., N.Y. should file on Forms 340, 341 & 342 since it is a NON-Reserved NON COMM. TV station. PER Martin P.	GRANTED	5-27-66
		Permit to install an Auxiliary (RCA TTU-2A) at the Main Trans. & Antenna location.	GRANTED	10-5-66
BMPCT-6548 R & F Aux. Trans.		Modification of CP(BPCT-3839, which authorized installation of Aux. Trans. at the Main Trans. and Antenna location) to extend completion date to 12-29-67.	GRANTED	5-25-67
BMPCT-6672 R & F AUX. TRANS.		Modification of CP(BPCT-3839, as mod., which auth. installation of Aux. Trans. at Main Trans. & Antenna loc.) to extend completion date to 2-16-68.	GRANTED	12-8-67
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COMM. TV

Call
Letters WNYC-TV

Name CITY OF NEW YORK, MUNICIPAL BROADCASTING SYSTEM

CH. 31 NEW YORK, NEW YORK

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BLCT-1792 R & F PRESS AUXILIARY TRANSMITTER	5-10-68 5-29-68 JUN 5 1968	LICENSE (BPCT-3839, as mod) for Auxiliary Transmitter. Alfred J. Tighe, Jr. Atty. (Rhyne & Rhyne)	GRANTED	4-28-70
BRCT-533 Recd.	2-28-69 2-27-69	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Alfred J. Tighe, Jr. Atty. (Rhyne & Rhyne)	GRANTED	5-22-69
FILED PRESS PN Recd.	4-8-69 APR 10 1969			
MAIN TRANS. & ANTENNA Recd.	2-28-69 3-4-69	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Alfred J. Tighe, Jr. Atty. (Rhyne & Rhyne)	RETURNED AS UNNECESSARY	4-9-69
ENLCT-700 R & F PRESS:	3-4-70 3-9-70 MAR 11 1970	ML to reduce Aur. ERP.	GRANTED	4-28-70

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Letters WNYC-TVName CITY OF NEW YORK, MUNICIPAL BROADCASTING SYSTEM
CH-31 NEW YORK, NEW YORK

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BPCT-4428 R & F PRESS	3-15-71 3-17-71 APR 15 1971	CP to chg. ERP to Vis. 5000kw, Aur. 500kw; TL to 1 World Trade Ctr., New York, N. Y. (40-42-43 74-00-49); type trans. to RCA TTU-110B; type ant. to RCA Vee-Zee panels; make chgs. in ant. structure; and HAAT 1560 ft. Atty.: AJTighe, Jr. (Rhyne & Rhyne)	GRANTED COMM. ACTION	4-18-74
BRCT-533 R & F PN REC PRESS	2-15-72 3-2-72 3-2-72 MAR 27 1972	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Alfred J. Tighe, Jr. (Rhyne & Rhyne) MAIN TRANS. & ANT. AUX. TRANS.	GRANTED	5-31-72

BPGT-4428 - MEMORANDUM OPINION AND ORDER adopted 4-18-74, released 4-30-74 FCC 74-456 11299:
Accordingly, IT IS ORDERED, That, ... with respect to City of New York Municipal Broadcasting System section 73.685(e) IS WAIVED and the application IS GRANTED subject to the condition that prior to licensing it will demonstrate compliance with section 73.614(b)(4) of the rules. IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, That, the objections of the Association of Maximum Service Telecasters; Port of New York Authority; U.S. Communications Corporation; Taft Television Corporation ARE DENIED, and that the objections of the New York Telephone Company ARE GRANTED to the extent provided for below. IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, That, the grants are also subject to the condition that the "Broadcasters and The New York Telephone Company will jointly and cooperatively take all necessary measures to assure that no interference to the electronic switching system of the Telephone Company will occur, and that, the cost for remedial measures to eliminate interference, if any, will be borne by the party or parties causing such interference. IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, That, no licenses will be issued for transmitters not yet type accepted.

PETITION FOR RECONSIDERATION filed 5-30-74 by Ronald Seigel on behalf of Port Authority of New York and New Jersey

OPPOSITION TO PETITION FOR RECONSIDERATION filed 6-12-74 by James A. McKenna, Jr. on behalf of The TV Broadcasters All Industry Committee.

MEMORANDUM OPINION AND ORDER adopted 8-21-74, released 8-30-74 FCC 74-897 23680 denying Petition for Reconsideration filed by the Port of New York Authority and affirming Commission Decision.

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September 1969

Call WNYC-TV
Letters

Name CITY OF NEW YORK, MUNICIPAL BROADCASTING SYSTEM
CH-31 New York, New York

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BRCT-533 R & F PN Rec'd: PRESS: <u>MAK 4 1 13/5</u>	1-31-75 2-3-75 2-3-75	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Annual Report filed (MAIN TRANS. & ANT.)(AUX. TRANS.) Amended 7-29-75 re annual lists and programming.	GRANTED COMMISSION ACTION (See Card #8A)	6-30-76
BMPCT-7598 R & F no fee required PRESS:	9-16-75 9-17-75 1 OCT 1975	MP (BPCT-4428) to extend completion date to	GRANTED	12-19-75
BMPCT-7643 R&F NO FEE REQUIRED PRESS	5-17-76 5-24-76 23 JUN 1976	MP (BPCT-4428 as mod.) to extend completion date to _____	GRANTED	2-15-77

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BRCT-533

PETITION TO DENY filed 5-1-75 by the Network Project.

AMENDMENT TO OPPOSITION PETITION TO DENY DATED 6-16-75 filed 6-23-75 by Municipal Broadcasting System

OPPOSITION TO PETITION TO DENY filed 6-18-75 by Municipal Broadcasting System

AMENDMENT TO OPPOSITION PETITION TO DENY DATED 6-16-75 by Municipal Broadcasting System

OPPOSITION TO PETITION TO DENY filed 7-8-75 by The City of New York, Municipal Broadcasting System

NETWORK PROJECT REPLY TO THE CITY OF NEW YORK MUNICIPAL BROADCASTING SYSTEM

OPPOSITION TO PETITION TO DENY filed 8-18-75 by The Network Project

MEMORANDUM OPINION AND ORDER adopted 10-22-75, released 10-24-75 FCC 75-1197 37572: Accordingly IT IS ORDERED, That the petitions to deny filed by the Network Project, ARE GRANTED to the limited extent indicated herein and ARE DENIED in all other respects; IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, That the Commission action on the above-captioned applications for renewal of license filed by the City of New York Municipal Broadcasting System, ARE HEREBY DEFERRED for the reasons set forth in paragraphs 21-23, supra; IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, That the licensee submit to the Commission and serve on petitioner, within thirty (30) days of the date of release of this Order: (i) an equal employment opportunity program consistent with the Commission's Rules, summarized in paragraph 18, supra; (ii) a statement of how such an equal opportunity employment program can be faithfully followed, consistent with applicable city and state civil service laws; and (iii) a detailed statement on the affirmative action undertaken, if any, by either the licensee or its city's Department of Personnel, or both, to seek and encourage women and minority applicants for each job opening filled during the 12-month period preceding September 1, 1975, with women and minority applicants designated. IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, That petitioner may respond to licensee's submissions within twenty (20) days of the date they are filed with the Commission.

402(b) appeal filed 11-24-75.

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

COMMERCIAL TV

Call
Letters WNYC-TV

Name CITY OF NEW YORK, MUNICIPAL BROADCASTING SYSTEM
CH-31 NEW YORK, NEW YORK

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
		<p>BRCT-533 PETITIONS CONTINUED <u>COMMENTS</u> filed <u>2-5-76</u> by The Network Project. <u>SUPPLEMENT TO REPLY</u> filed <u>2-26-76</u> by the New Jersey Coalition for Fair Broadcasting. <u>Ltr. 6-9-76</u> from Richard Shiben to John Cervase: Accordingly, your request that the Commission deny the application for renewal of license filed by Station WNYC-TV, IS DENIED. <u>MEMORANDUM OPINION AND ORDER</u> adopted <u>6-30-76</u>, released <u>7-26-76</u>: Accordingly, IT IS ORDERED, That the petition to deny, filed by the Network Project, IS GRANTED to the limited extent indicated herein, and DENIED in all other respects. IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, That the above-captioned applications for renewal of licenses for Stations WNYC-AM-FM-TV, filed by the City of New York Municipal Broadcasting System, ARE GRANTED SUBJECT TO THE FOLLOWING CONDITIONS: The licensee submit to the Commission on December 1, 1976, June 1, 1977 and February 1, 1978, statements detailing the affirmative action undertaken to seek and encourage female applicants for each job opening arising since the date of this <u>Order</u> or previous statement and indicating the effect of these efforts upon employment of identified females.</p>		

REPLY TO CITY OF NEW YORK MUNICIPAL BROADCASTING SYSTEM TO COMMENTS OF THE NETWORK
PROJECT CONCERNING THE EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORUNITY PROGRAM FOR WNYC-AM-FM-TV filed 3-8-76
by W. Bernard Richland on behalf of WNYC-TV.

OPPOSITION TO PETITION FOR RECONSIDERATION filed by EveBryn J. Junge on behalf of Cityof New York
Municipal Broadcasting System (MBS)

MEMORANDUM OPINION AND ORDER adopted 10-21-76, released 11-5-76 FCC 76-980 42631: Accordingly,
IT IS ORDERED, That the allegations contained in petitioner's pleading concerning licensee's
overall financial qualifications ARE DISMISSED. IT IS ~~IN~~ FURTHER ORDERED, That the petition
for reconsideration filed August 25, 1976, by the Network Project IS DENIED.

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

COMMERCIAL TV

Call
Letters WNYC-TVName CITY OF NEW YORK, MUNICIPAL BROADCASTING SYSTEMCh-31 NEW YORK, NEW YORK

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BRCT533 R&F PN RECD PRESS	1-31-78 2-1-78 2-1-78 FEB 24 1978	RENEWAL OF LICENSE (Main Trans. & Ant.)(Aux. Trans.) Atty.: Applicant No Contours filed	Designated for Hearing Min. NOV 5 1980	80-720
BECT-5180 R&F PRESS	2-24-78 3-6-78 APR 4 1978	CP (BECT-4428, as mod.) to replace expired CP for changes. (Request for Waiver of Section 1.534(b) of the Comm. Rules.) Atty.: Applicant Received additional copy of form 321 on 10-3-78.	GRANTED Min. JAN 23 1980	GRANTED 8-2-80
BECT-5180 R&F AMENDMENT PN REC'D	8-30-79 1-23-81	FORM 701 Rec'd as amendment for (BECT-5180) MP (BECT-5180) No atty.		

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APPLICATION RECORD BROADCASTING

Commercial TV
Call Letters: WNYC-TVName: CITY OF NEW YORK, MUNICIPAL BROADCASTING SYSTEM
CH-31 NEW YORK, NEW YORK

Station Location:

File No.	Date	Description	Action and Date
BMPCT-800604KE	5-30-80	MP (BPCT-4428, as mod.) to extend completion date.	GRANTED 7-28-80
BRCT-810204KF R & F PN REC'D PRESS.	1-31-81 2-04-81 2-04-81	RENEWAL OF LICENSE	GRANTED 7-23-81 7-23-81
BPCT -810427KI		CP TO REPLACE THE EXPIRED CP (BPCT-4428, as mod)	GRANTED 5-29-81 to 11-29-81

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 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.

