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BROADCASTING STATION HISTORY RECORD

CH 33

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Call Letters X W T V Z (Assigned Eff: 8-28-78)

Station Location NORFOLK, VA.

Name TELEVISION CORPORATION OF VIRGINIA

Transmitter Location 1 mi. S. of Driver, VA

Main studio location 418 Boush Street, Norfolk, VA (RC 10-30-79)
Professional Bldg., York & Burch Sts., Norfolk, VA

Authorization Record

File No.	Granted	Facilities	Expires
BPCT-5055 AH:910' MSL:1049' CP for New Commercial Television Broadcast Station.	5-18-78	Ch-33, 584-590MHz Unl. ERP:V-50kW(DA), A-95.5kW(DA)	7-18-78 11-18-79
BSTV-791016KG	7-28-80	Subscription Television Authority	
BRCTV-790918KF	10-30-79	Chg Remote control authority	
BMPCT-790416KL (MP(BPCT-5055) to	9-28-79	chg. erp; type trans. type ant.	3-28-80 & HAAT
BMPCT-801212KH MP(BPCT-5055, as mod.) to	2-3-81	reduce Aur. ERP & Make	7-3-81 chgs. to the antenna system.

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters (NEW) WTVZ

Name TELEVISION CORPORATION OF VIRGINIA
CH-33 NORFOLK, VIRGINIA (Norfolk-Portsmouth-Newport News allocation)(PO c/o Joel Cooper, Suite 1200, United Virginia Bank Bldg., Norfolk, VA 23501)

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BPGT-5055 R & F PRESS: PN REC'D:	6-9-77 6-13-77 JUL 1 1977 7-5-77	CP for new TV on: Freq.: Ch-33, 584-590MHz ERP: Vis. 1135kW(Max), Aur. 215kW(Max) HAAT: 910 ft. TL: 1 mi. S. of Driver, Va. (36-48-32 76-30-13) SL: Professional Bldg., York & Busch Sts., Norfolk, Va. Trans.: RCA TTU-30C Ant.: RCA TFU-36JDAS (DA) Atty.: William M. Barnard (Miller and Schroeder) Engr.: Lawrence Behr (Greenville, N. C.) Amended 9-21-77 re additional information Amended 11-8-77 re ownership interests. Amended 12-12-77 re ownership interests. Resume of Mr. Herman E. Valentine, VP Amended 3-13-78 re Update & supplement	GRANTED COMMISSION ACTION	5-18-78

CUT OFF DATE

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PETITION TO DENY filed 9-7-77 by Marcus Cohn on behalf of Peninsula Broadcasting Corporation.

OPPOSITION TO PETITION TO DENY filed 9-21-77 by William Bernard on behalf of Television Corporation of Virginia

REPLY TO OPPOSITION TO PETITION TO DENY filed 9-27-77 by Marcus Cohn on behalf of Peninsula Broadcasting Corporation

ERRATUM filed 9-23-77 by William Barnard on behalf of Television Corporation of Virginia

BY DIRECTION OF THE COMMISSION ltr. 5-18-78: We have reviewed your showing in light of Section 73.636 and are persuaded that the grant of your application would be in the public interest. Accordingly, IT IS ORDERED, That the application (BPCT-5055) IS HEREBY GRANTED.

COMMERCIAL TV
APPLICATION RECORD BROADCASTING

Call Letters: **W T V Z**Name: **TELEVISION CORPORATION OF VIRGINIA**

CH-33

Station Location: **NORFOLK, VA**

File No.	Date	Description	Action and Date
BPCT-790416KD R & F PRESS:	4-13-79 4-16-79 7-5-79	⁵⁴⁵⁵ MP (BPCT- 5455) to chg. ERP to Vis. 5000kW(M), Aur. 769.1kW(M); type trans. to Pye LDM-1208; type ant. to Andrew C330VA (BT); and HAAT 908 ft. Atty.: Kenkel and <u>Barnard</u>	GRANTED 9-28-79
BRCTV-790918KF R & F PRESS:	9-17-79 9-18-79 10-10-79	Request authority to operate trans. by remote control from 418 Boush Street, Norfolk, VA. Atty.: Kenkel and <u>Barnard</u>	✓ Granted 10-30-79
BSICT-791016KG R & F FN REC'D:	10-12-79 10-16-79 11-2-79	Request authority to install Subscription Television equipment. Atty.: Kenkel and <u>Barnard</u>	GRANTED 7-28-80 Condition
BPCT BPCT-801212KH		MP (BPCT-5055 as mod.) to reduce Aur. ERP to 500kW(Max) & make chgs. to the antenna system/	✓ GRANTED 2-3-81

Process at CP,
 Not Mod of CP

701 on file for ex. 1 time

STV-791016AG granted 7-28-80 - condition 1

Prior to commencing subscription television operations, applicant shall submit a proposal for broadcasting some non-subscription local programming in prime time (7pm-11pm) demonstrating how the problems, needs and interests of Norfolk, ~~Virginia~~ Virginia will be serve thereby. See Fourth Report and Order, Docket No. 11279, 15 FCC 2d 466, 522 (1968).

APPLICATION RECORD-BROADCASTING

Call Letters: WTVZ

Name: Television Corporation of Virginia

ch-33

Station Location: Norfolk, Virginia

File No.	Date	Description	Action and Date
BLCT-790918KI R&F	8 9-18-79	License to cover CP(BPCT-5055) for new Station William M. Barnard, Atty.	<i>P-10-5-81</i>
BMPCT-810710KF		MP (BMPCT-801212KH) to extend completion date. (This 701 extends a CP assigned a BMPCT # by mistake)	GRANTED 8-19-81 to 2-19-82

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.

