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BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

FORM TV 3/0

First Operation: 4-19-55 (Started 4-29-55)

NDEA

Date first licensed 6-25-57 (Official No. 342)

Call letters VTVO

(Sta. Loc: Rockford, Illinois)

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Name of licensee

VINDYBAGO TELEVISION CORPORATION

North Meridian Road At West State Street, Rockford, Illinois

X North of U.S. Highway 20, 2.2 miles west of Rockford, Ill. (BMPCT-919 12-9-57)

Transmitter location X On U. S. Highway 20, 2.2 miles west of Rockford, Illinois

North Meridian Road at West State St., Near Rockford, Ill. (BMPCT-3783 4-9-57)

Main studio location X To be determined, Rockford, Illinois

# CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	H. R. Power	Time Div.	Period From- To-
BPCT-1052	9-10-52	Ch. #39 620-626 mc.	V. 15.5Kw. A. 9.2Kw.	U	11-10-52 5-10-53
Construction permit for a new commercial T <sub>1</sub> b/c station.					
BPCT-919	12-9-52	Ch. # 39 620-626 mc.	V. 15.5Kw. A. 8.5Kw.	U	2-9-53 8-9-53
Modification of CP (BPCT 1052) to make a slight change in transmitter location and change antenna height above average terrain. <small>(coordinates only)</small> slight decrease ATR HTR.					
BPCT-1021	3-24-53	same	V. 19.5kw A. 9.8kw	U	5-24-53 11-24-53
Mod. C.P. (BPCT-1052) change ERP and make minor equipment changes.					
Wire	4-17-53	STA operate commercial basis exact accordance (BPCT-1021). Period 4-19-53 to 4-29-53.			
(Wire stationing oper. started 4-29-53)					
Wire	4-29-53	Ext. STA operate commercial basis exact accordance BPCT-1021. Period 4-29-53 to 10-29-53.			
WIRE	10-28-53	Ext. STA operate comm. basis exact accord CP BPCT-1447. Period ending February 24, 1954.			
BPCT-1447	10-27-53	same	same	same	5-24-53
Mod. CP (BPCT-1052 as mod) to extend compl. date. 2-24-54					
BPCT-1789	1-28-54	same	same	same	5-24-53
Mod. CP (BPCT-1052, as mod) to extend compl. date 8-24-54					
2-2-54 EXT STA Opr. Comm basis exact accordance CP BPCT-1789, Period Ending 8-24-54.					
BPCT-2316	7-26-54	same	same	same	5-24-53
Mod. CP (BPCT-1052, as mod) to extend completion date 2-24-55					
Wire	7-28-54	EXT STA Opr. Comm basis exact accord CP BPCT-2316 pending filing of Lic. Appl. Per. End. 2-24-55			
BPCT-2841	2-9-55	same	same	same	5-24-53
Mod. CP (BPCT-1052, as mod) to extend completion dt. 8-24-55					
WIRE	2-10-55	EXT STA Opr. Comm. basis accord. CP BPCT-2841 pending filing of Lic. Appl. Period Ending 8-24-55			
BPCT-3306	8-8-55	same	same	same	5-24-53
Mod. CP (BPCT-1052, as mod) to extend completion dt. 2-24-56					
WIRE	8-18-55	Ext. STA Opr. Comm. basis accord. CP BPCT-3306 pending filing of Lic. appl. auth. expires 2-24-56.			

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Name of licensee

WINNAGO TELEVISION CORPORATION

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--
BMPCT-3778	2-28-56	same	same	same	5-24-53
Mod. CP (BPCT-1052, as mod.) to extend compl. dt. 5-24-56					
WIRE	2-24-56	Pending consideration extension appl. BMPCT-3778, extension authority gr. to operate WTVO temp. Per. End. 3-24-56 Comm. basis accord. CP BMPCT-3306.			
WIRE	3-8-56	Pending filing of lic. appl., ext. auth. granted to operate temp. for period ending 5-24-56 Comm. Basis accord. CP (BMPCT-3778).			
BMPCT-3788	4-9-56	same	V-195 kw A-97.7 kw	U	5-24-53 10-6-56
AH 660 ft. Mod. CP (BPCT-1052, as mod.) to chg. ERF, SL, type transm. etc.					
WIRE	5-3-56	Pending completion of construction, ext. of auth. gr. to Opr. WTVO Temp. Per. End. 10-6-56 Comm. basis accord CP BMPCT-3783, except using facilities specfd. BMPCT-3778.			
WIRE	5-5-56	Pending filing of License appl. mod. authority granted to operate WTVO temporarily for period ending Oct. 6, 1956, COMM. basis accordance CP BMPCT-3783. Advise when operation under this authority			
BMPCT-4190	9-13-56	same	same	same	5-24-53
Mod. of C.P. (1052, as mod.) to ext. comp. date. 4-6-57					
WIRE	9-14-56	Pending filing of Lic. Appl., ext. auth. gr. to Opr. WTVO Temp. Per. End. 4-6-57 Comm. basis accord. CP BMPCT-4190.			
BMPCT-4575	3-14-57	same	same	same	5-24-53
Mod. cp (BPCT-1052 as mod.) to extend compl. date 7-6-57					
WIRE	3-21-57	PENDING FILING LIC. APPL. EXT. AUTH. OPR. COMM. BASIS ACCORD. MPCT-4575 to 7-6-57			
WIRE	6-11-57	PROGRAM TESTS AUTHORIZED			
BLCT-642	6-25-57	CH #39 620-626	V-195 kw A-97.7 kw	U	6-25-57 12-1-58
AH 660' License to cover CP (BPCT-1052 as mod.)					
COMM. ACTION 11-25-58 ACTION, ON RENEWAL DEFERRED CONTINUED OPERATION AUTHORIZED					
BRCT-342	12-10-58	same	same	same	12-10-58
Short Form RENEWAL OF LICENSE 12-1-61					
BTC-3085 4-2-59 Voluntary relinquishment of negative control of licensee Corporation by H & E Balaban Corporation through sale of stock to Elmer Balaban and Irwin Dubinsky, Trustee for the benefit of Harold Proelich, ERF; 4-30-59					

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COMM. TV

# BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed .....

Call letters WTVO

Station location Rockford, Illinois

Name of licensee WINNEBAGO TELEVISION CORPORATION

Transmitter location SEE CARD # 1

Main studio location .....

# CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From To
BPCT-2908 AH: 660'	10-2-61	CH #39 620-626	V-155 kw A-77.6 kw	U	12-2-61 6-2-62
Construction Permit for change ERP, type of antenna, Ant. sys.					
WIRE	12-1-61	PENDING FILING	LIC. APPL.	AUTH. GR.	OPERATE WTVO ACCORD. CP BPCT-2908 PER. END. 1-15-62.
ADVISE.					
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ACTION ON RENEWAL DEFERRED 11-29-61					
WIRE	1-15-62	PENDING FILING	LIC. APPL.	EXTENSION	AUTH. GR. OPER. WTVO TEMP. ACCORD. CP BPCT-2908, PER. END. 2-26-62.
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WIRE	2-16-62	RE LIC. APPLICATION	BLCT-1175,	AUTH. GR.	OPR. WTVO ON PROGRAM TEST ACCORD. SECTION 3.829 RULES & CP BPCT-2908. ADVISE WHEN OPERATIONS COMMENCES.
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BRCT-342	6-19-62	same	same	same	6-19-62 12-1-64
RENEWAL OF LICENSE					
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BLCT-1175 AH: 660' MSL: 1484'	7-22-63	Ch. 39 620-626mcs	V-178 kw A-89.1kw	U	7-22-63 12-1-64
License to cover CP (BPCT-2908)					
BMLCT-163 AH: 660'	8-14-64	CH.39 620-626	V.1788 kw A. 17.8 kw	U	8-14-64 12-1-64
MOD. OF LICENSE to reduce Apral ERP.					
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ACTION ON RENEWAL DEFERRED 12-9-64					
BRCT-342	6-30-65	same	same	same	6-30-65 12-1-67
RENEWAL OF LICENSE					
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BPCT-3589 AH: 650' MSL: 1484'	3-25-66	CH. #17 488-494	V-204 kw A-36.35 kw	U	5-25-66 11-25-66
Construction Permit to change CH. type of ant. AH.					
BMPCT-6269 AH: 670'	9-28-66	CH. #17 488-494	V-759 kw A-79.4kw	U	5-25-66 3-28-67
Mod. of CP (BPCT-3589) to chg. ERP, type of transmitter, antenna, antenna structure and increase antenna hgt.					
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WIRE	1-11-67	PENDING	COMPLETION	CONSTRUCTION	AND FILING LIC. APPLI. AUTH. GR. OPER. WTVO TEMP. PER. END. 2-14-67 ACCORD BMPCT-6269. ADVISE WHEN OPERATION COMMENCES UNDER THIS AUTHORITY. STATED 1-12-67

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## BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

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Transmitter location .....

Main studio location .....



# CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From-- To.
WIRE OPER. WTVO CP BMPCT-6269.	2-14-67	ON PROG.	RE TENDERED LIC. APPLI. AUTH. GR. TEST ACCORD. SEC. 73.629		RULES AND
BLCT-1663 AH: 670 MSL: 1501 Lic. to cover CP (BMPCT-3589, as mod.)	6-30-67	CH. 17	V-759 kw U		6-30-67
		488-494	mA-79.4 kw		12-1-67
BRCT-342	11-24-67	same	same	same	12-1-67
RENEWAL OF LICENSE			RENEWAL OF NDEA		12-1-70
BRCT-342 (NDEA)	11-25-70		RENEWAL OF LICENSE (L)		12-1-73
BPCT-4501	3-20-72		CP for chgs. in trans. equip.		9-20-73
EBSA	5-15-72				
Wire	8-8-73		auth. gtd. oper. on program test acco		sect. 73.629 rules and construction permit BPCT 4501
BRCT-342	11-28-73		RENEWAL OF LICENSE (S)		12-1-76
BLCT-2259	1-30-74		Lic. (BPCT-4501) for chgs.		12-1-76
BSCT-2259	2-28-74		ML to correct trans. & Obstruct marking specs.		12-1-76
BRCT-342	12-13-76		RENEWAL OF LICENSE (S)		12-1-79
BRCT- 790801KK	1-15-80		RENEWAL OF LICENSE (S)		12-1-82
BTC-801003KE	11-26-80		VOL. TC		

CARD #1

FORM A-170

## APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

COMM. TV B/C

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Call W T V O  
Letters ~~NEW~~ (U)Name WINNEBAGO TELEVISION CORPORATION  
(Room 642, - 190 North State St., Chicago 1, Illinois)

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BPCT-1052 Rec'd Filed	7-8-52 7-9-52 7-9-52	Construction permit for a Comm. TV B/C station FREQ: Ch. #39, 620-626 mcs. ERP: Vis. 15.3 kw., Aur. 7.65 kw. Hours of operation: Unlimited S-L: To be determined, Rockford, Illinois T-L: On U.S. Hy. 20; 2.2 miles west of Rockford city limits, near Rockford, Illinois (Vis. & Aur. RCA TTU-1B) (641.6') Filed by Krooth and Altman, Attys	GRANTED	9-10-52
BMPCT-919 Rec'd Filed	10-28-52 10-29-52 10-29-52	Mod. of C. P. (BPCT-1052, which authorized a new Comm. TV B/C station) to make a slight transmitter location change of 1700 feet north of present location and change antenna height above average terrain from 640 feet to 657.8 feet. (Description of site to remain Filed Direct. the same; however, change indicated in coordinates)	GRANTED	12-9-52

Walter F. Kean, Engr., 1 Riverside Road, Riverside, Ill

## APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Comm TV B/C

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Letters WVVOName WINNEBAGO TELEVISION CORPORATION  
Rockford, Illinois

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BNPOT-1021 Recd Filed	2-19-53 2-24-53 2-24-53	Mod. of CP (BNPOT-1052 as mod.) which authorized a new Commercial TV broadcast station) to change ERP from Vis. 15.5 kw, Aur. 8.5 kw, to Vis. 19.6 kw, Aur. 9.8 kw and make other equipment changes. (657.8') Filed by Norman S. Altman, Atty.	GRANTED	3-24-53
BNPOT-1447 Recd. Filed	10-1-53 10-5-53 10-5-53	Mod. of CP (BNPOT-1052, as mod., which authorized a new Comm. TV B/C Station) to extend completion date from 11-24-53 to 2-24-54. Filed by Norman S. Altman, Atty.	GRANTED	10-27-53
BNPOT-1789 Recd. Filed	1-22-54 1-25-54 1-25-54	Mod. of CP (BNPOT-1052, as mod., which authorized a new COMM. TV B/C Station) to extend completion date from 2-24-54 to 8-24-54. Filed by Norman S. Altman, Atty.	GRANTED	1-28-54
BNPOT-2316 Recd & filed	6-17-54 7-9-54	Mod. of CP (BNPOT-1052 as mod. which auth. a new comm. TV b/c station) to extend completion date from 8-24-54 to 2-24-55. Filed by direct	GRANTED	7-26-54

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Rockford, Illinois

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BPCT-2841 Recd. & Filed	1-26-55 2-1-55	Mod. of CP (BPCT-1052, as mod., which authorized a new Comm. TV B/C Station) to extend completion date from 2-24-55 to 8-24-55. Filed by Norman S. Altman, Atty.	GRANTED	2-9-55
BPCT-3306 Recd & filed	7-21-55 7-25-55	Mod. of CP (BPCT-1052, as mod., which authorized a new Comm. TV B/C Station) to extend completion date from 8-24-55 to 2-24-56. Filed by N S Altman, Atty. (does not represent now)	GRANTED	8-8-55
BPCT-3778 RECD & FILED EXT # 8	1-19-56 2-24-56	Mod. of CP (BPCT-1052, as mod. which auth. a new Comm. TV B/C Station) for extension of completion data from 2-24-56 to 5-24-56. Filed direct.	GRANTED	2-28-56
BPCT-3783 Recd. & Filed (CONTD CARD #4)	2-24-56 2-27-56	Mod. of C.P. (BPCT-1052, as mod., which authorized a new Comm. TV B/C Station) to change ERP from Vis. 19.5 kw, Aur. 9.8 kw to Vis. 218 kw, Aur. 110 kw, type of transmitters and make minor antenna changes (663.9 ft.) (Vis. & Aur. RCA TTU-12A) Filed direct McKenna & Wilkinson Atty's c	GRANTED	4-9-56

CARD #4

COMM TV B/C

FORM BC-121

## APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

FORMERLY FORM A-170

Call  
Letters WTVO

WINNEBAGO TELEVISION CORPORATION

Name Rockford, Illinois

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BMPCT-3783 (Contd from Card #3) AMEND TO Recd & Filed	3-12-56	Amended to change studio location from "To be determined", Rockford, Illinois to transmitter location at North Meridian Road at West State Street, 2.2 miles west of Rockford, Illinois, and to request waiver of Section 3.613(b) of the Rules.  Filed by Edward R. McKenna, Atty.	<del>GRANTED</del> SEE ACTION CARD #3	
BMPCT- Recd. & filed	4-20-56 4-24-56	Mod. of CP (BPCT-1052, as mod., which auth. a new Comm. TV B/C Sta.) for extension of completion date from --- to ---- Filed by E R McKenna, Atty.	Returned to Atty. (Ltr. 4-25-56) as unnecessary, view of action 4-9-56 granting BMPCT-3783	
BMPCT-1190 Recd & Filed Ext. #10	8-31-56 9-5-56	Mod. of CP (BPCT-1052, as mod., which authorized a new Comm. TV B/C Station) to extend completion date from 10-6-56 to 4-6-57. Filed by Edward R. McKenna, Atty.	GRANTED	9-13-56

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Letters WTVOName WINNEBAGO TELEVISION CORPORATION  
Rockford, Illinois

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BMPCT-4575 Recd. & filed Ext. # 11	3-4-57 3-6-57	Mod. of CP (BPCT-1052, as mod., which authorized a new Comm. TV B/C Sta.) to extend completion date from <del>4-6-57</del> to <del>7-6-57</del> . Filed by E. <sup>44</sup> McKenna, Atty.	GRANTED	3-14-57
BLCT-643 Recd & filed	5-24-57 6-4-57	License to cover CP (BPCT-1053 as modified), which authorized a new commercial TV b/c station Filed by Edward R. McKenna, Atty.	GRANTED	6-25-57
BRCT-342 Recd & Filed	8-18-58 9-2-58	Renewal of License. Filed by Edward R. McKenna, Attorney	GRANTED	12-10-58
BTC-3085 Recd & filed	3-20-59 3-26-59	Voluntary relinquishment of negative control of Licensee Corporation by H & E Balaban Corporation through sale of stock to Elmer Balaban and Irwin Dubinsky, Trustees for the benefit of Harold Froelich. Atty for transferor: McKenna & Wilkinson Atty for transferee: D.C. and Eli E. Fink, 231 South LaSalle Street, Chicago, Illinois	Granted Bureau Action EFF: 4-30-59	4-2-59

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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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Name WINNEBAGO TELEVISION CORPORATION  
Rockford, Illinois

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BPCT-2908 Recd. & Filed	8-4-61 8-10-61	CONSTRUCTION PERMIT to change ERP from Visual 195 kw, Aural 97.7 kw TO Visual 154 kw, Aural 77 kw (Horizontal) change type of antenna from RCA TPU-24BM TO RCA TPU-24DM-A, and make changes in the antenna system. & Antenna Height above average terrain to 664 feet. <u>David S. Stevens, Atty.</u>	GRANTED	10-2-61
BRCT-342 Recd. & Filed	8-25-61 9-5-61	<del>RENEWAL OF LICENSE</del> RENEWAL OF LICENSE Robert W. Coll, Atty.	GRANTED	6-19-62
BLCT-1175 R & F	1-31-62 2-14-62	License to cover CP (BPCT-2908) which authorized changes in existing station Filed by Robert W. Coll, Atty.	GRANTED	7-22-63



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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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WINNEBAGO TELEVISION CORPORATION

CH. 39 Name Rockford, Illinois

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BPCT-3278 R & F	12-21-63 12-31-63	Construction permit to change ERP from Vis. 178 kw, Aur. 89.1 kw TO Vis. 747.7 kw, (Horiz) Aur. 333.3 kw (Horiz); change type of transmitters to RCA TTU-50A; make changes in antenna structure and antenna height above average terrain to 663.9 feet. David S. Stevens-atty (McKenna & Wilkinson) David L. Steel & Assoc.; engr.	DISMISSED Request of Applicant via atty	8-14-64
BMLCT-163 Recd. & Filed	6-2-64 7-27-64	Mod. of License to reduce Aural ERP from 89.1 KW to 23.44 KW. Robert W. Coll, Atty	GRANTED	8-14-64
BRCT-342 Recd. & FILED	8-24-64 9-2-64	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Robert W. Coll, Atty.	GRANTED	6-30-65

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

COMM. TV

Call  
Letters W T V O

Name WINNEBAGO TELEVISION CORPORATION  
CH. ROCKFORD, ILLINOIS 61105

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BPCT-3589 R & F	6-30-65 7-2-65	Construction Permit to change frequency from CH.39, 620-626 Mcs to CH.17, 488-494 Mcs; ERP from Vis. 178 kw, Aur. 17.8 kw to <del>468-468 kw-(HORZ)</del> , <del>Aur. 33.6 kw-(HORZ)</del> ; type of antenna to RCA TPU-25G; and decrease antenna height above average terrain to 649 feet. McKenna & Wilkinson, Atty. David L. Steel, Sr. Engr.	GRANTED	3-25-66
AMENDED R & F	7-27-65 7-28-65	Amended to change ERP to Vis. 204 kw(HORZ), Aur. 36.35 kw(HORZ).		
EMFCT- 6269 R & F	4-15-66 4-22-66	Mod. of CP (BPCT-3589, which authorized changes in existing station), to change ERP from Vis-204 kw Aur-36.35 kw TO Vis-767.0 kw(HORZ) Aur-80.3 kw (HORZ); change type of transmitters to RCA TTU-50C; change type of antenna to RCA TPU-30J; changes in the antenna structure and increase antenna height above average terrain to 673.6 feet. F.C.C. - WASHINGTON, D. C. David S. Stevens, Atty. (McKenna & Wilkinson)	GRANTED	9-28-66

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## APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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Letters **W T V O**Name **WINNEBAGO TELEVISION CORPORATION**

CH. 17

ROCKFORD, ILLINOIS (4-25-57) P.O. Box 470, N. Meridian Rd., Rockford, Ill. 61105 )

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BLCT-1663 R & F	1-27-67 2-13-67	LICENSE to cover CP (BPCT-3589, as mod.) which authorized changes in existing station. Robert W. Coll, Atty. (McKenna & Wilkinson)	GRANTED	6-30-67
BRCT-342 R & F SEP 7 1967	8-10-67 8-30-67	RENEWAL OF LICENSE John L. Tierney, Atty. (McKenna & Wilkinson) RENEWAL OF NDEA	GRANTED	11-24-67
ENGR. DATA FILED 5-21-70 BRCT-342 Rec. & filed PN RECD PRESS SEE OTHER SIDE FOR PETITION Annual filing fee \$480.00 paid 11-25-70 #645388.	8-7-70 9-2-70 9-2-70 SEP 9 1970	RENEWAL OF LICENSE & NDEA Carl R. Ramey (McKenna & Wilkins)	GRANTED	11-25-70
BPCT-4501 R & F #042918 \$50 AG: 062 PRESS: FEB 28 1972	2-7-72 2-18-72 2-18-72	CP to make chgs. in transmitting equipment Atty.: John Tierney	GRANTED	3-20-72 <i>Lia</i>

BRCT-342

Informal petition to deny (1 copy only filed) filed 10-20-70 by Paul E. Hinaber

*10-20-70*

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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Letters **W T V O**

Name **WINNEBAGO TELEVISION CORPORATION**  
CH-17 **ROCKFORD, ILLINOIS**

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BRCT-342 R&F PN REC'D PRESS: ✓	8-9-73 8-31-73 8-31-73 SEP 17 1973	RENEWAL OF LICENSE ATTY: John L. Tierney (McKenna, Wilkinson & Kittner)	GRANTED Kittner	11-28-73
ELCT-2259 R & F AC-058 219965 \$50.00 PRESS:	7-27-73 7-31-73 DEC 13 1973	Lic. to cover (BPCT-4501) for chgs.	GRANTED	1-30-74
BRCT-342 R&F PN RECD PRESS	6-18-76 8-2-76 8-2-76 25 AUG 1976	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Contours filed, Annual report filed AMENDED 10-5-76 re additional response	GRANTED	12-13-76

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## APPLICATION RECORD BROADCASTING

Call Letters: **MTVO**

CARD NO. 11

Name: **WINNEBAGO TELEVISION CORPORATION**

CH-17

Station Location: **ROCKFORD, ILLINOIS**

File No.	Date	Description	Action and Date
BRCT 790801KK R & F PN REC'd PRESS '79 08 20	7-24-79 8-1-79 8-1-79	RENEWAL OF LICENSE ATTY: CARL R. RAMEY {MCKENNA, WILKINSON & KITTNER}	9-15-80 GRANTED 1-15-80 I
HTCCT-801003KE R & F (Form 316)	9-18-80 10-3-80	Voluntary transfer of control of licensee corporation from Plains Television Corporation, to Plains Television Corporation and Elmer Balaban, as Trustee for Harold Froelich.  Atty.: Carl R. Ramey (McKenna, Wilkinson & Kittner)	GR. 11-26-80

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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 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 television station history.

