MMAC

BROADCASTING STATION HISTORY RECORD

COMMERCIAL TELEVISION

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First licensed

Call Letters WHAC-TV

Station Location . ATLANTIC . CITY - NEW JERSEY

Home ATLANTIC CITY TELEVISION CORP.

Transmitter Location OHIO & MURRAY AVES - ATLANTIC CITY - NEW JERSEY

Main studio location TO BE DETERMINED, ATLANTIC CITY, NEW JERSEY

Authorization Record

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File No.	Granted	Facilities	Expires
H: 330' MSL:	360' C V• 1950	CP FOR A NEW STAT: 1-53; 704-710; Un1	4-9-62
MPCT-801217KF STATION. AH: 3. 1. 126 KW(DA);	3-23-81 30'; 704-	MOD.(BPCT-5109) FOR A 710; CH-53; Unl.; V. 1	NEW 60KW(DA) 4-9-82
		Form BC-126	

Form BC-121 May 1976

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call XX(NEW)

Name ATLANTIC CITY TELEVISION CORP.

CH-53 ATLANTIC CITY, NEW JERSEY (PO 1 New York Ave., Atlantic City, NJ 08401)

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File No.	Dated	Application for	Nature	Date
BPCT-5109 R&F	9-27-77	CP for NEW TV on Freq: CH-53 704-710MHz ERP: Vis. 1832kW(MAX), Aur. 366kW(MAX)	STREET, STREET	for Hearing
PRESS		HAAT: 465 feet	tion _SE	2 1 4 1979
PN REC'd CUT OF	10-18-77 DATE	TL: Ohio & Murray Aves., Atlantic City, NJ (39-22-34 74-27-08)	BC7	9-242
FEB 2 3		SL: To-be-determined, Atlantic City, NJ Trans: HARRIS, BT-55Ul Ant: HARRIS, TAZ-31U MAJOR ENVIROMENTAL ACTION DAVID F. TILLOTSON (ARENT, FOX,)		0CT 1990
		Atty.XMichael-9 Yaroschuk Engr. Serge Bergen (Fairfax, Virginia)		UU 1386
		Amended 3-21-78 re update application Amended 4-13-78 re business interests Amended 6-5-78 re business interests Amended 8-8-78 re business interests Amended 9-21-78 re business interest		
		Amended 9-29-78 re legal Amended 10-13-78 re legal		
		F.C.C WASHINSTON, D. C.		

APPLICATION RECORD-BROADCASTING

COMMERCIAL TV

Coll Letters: BBAC-TV

Name:

ATLANTIC CITY TELEVISION CORPORATION

CH-53

Station Location: ATLANTIC CITY, NEW JERSEY

File No.	Date	Description	Action and Date
SMPCT-801217KF		Modification of CP to chg. ERP to Vis. 2680kW, Aur. 242kW; chg. TL to Absecon Blvd., Approx. 0.2 mi. NW of WIIN tower, Atlantic City, NJ.; chg. SL to Atlantic and Connecticut Ave., Atlantic City, NJ; chg. type of trans. to Comark CTT-U-55 & make chgs. to the ant. system; HAAT: 334.1 feet. ATTY: ARENT, VOX, KINTER, PLOTKIN AND KAHNEDAVID F. TILLOTS	
			Form 8C-121 Merch 1979

FCC P'-256, 29381, MEMORANDUM OPINION AND ORDER, ADOPTED MAY 21, 1981, RELE ID MAY 29, 1981, CHAIRMAN FOWLER ABSTAINING FROM VOTING; COMMISSION JONES ABSENT. ACCORDINGLY, IT IS ORDER, That THE AFOREMENTIONED PETITION FOR RECONSIDERATION IS GRANTED; THE STAFF ACTION OF JANUARY 16, 1981 IS SET ASIDE; AND THE ABOVE-CAPTIONED REQUEST FOR CALL LETTERS WILL BE GRANTED IN DUE COURSE.

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.

