

# Remington Rand Inc.

REMOVABLE LABEL GUIDE

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Patent No. 2500109

First CO: 8-8-55 started 8-15-55

COMM. TV

### BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed 12-31-56 (Off. #255)

Call letters WXEX-TV (4-27-55)

Station location PETERSBURG, VIRGINIA STATION ID: Petersburg-Richmond 7-5-69 Memo. Op. & Order #32860

Name of licensee NATIONWIDE COMMUNICATIONS, INC. (BALCT-322 11-3-67 EFF: 12-11-67)

Transmitter location Hundred Rd., 7.5 miles east of Chester, Virginia

230 South Crater. Rd., Petersburg, Va. (Ltr. 10-12-71) BSCT-255 10-14-71

X 109 N. Sycamore St., Petersburg, Virginia (BLCT-1888 7-15-70)

Main studio location X124 West TABB St., Petersburg, Va. (Lt. 2-15-55 eff 2-1-55)

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Date first licensed ... 12-31-56 .. (QCC. No. 255)

RESCINDED PER MEMO. OP. & ORDER

6-5-69 #32860 EFF: 7-5-69 NATIONWIDE COMMUNICATIONS, INC. (BALCT-332 11-3-67 EFF: 12-11-67)

Transmitter location Hundred Road, 7.5 miles east of Chester, Br. Chester, Virginia

Main studio location I 214 East Washington, Petersburg, Va (Let-2-15-55, eff. 2-1-55)

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### CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

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Name of licensee PETERSBURG TELEVISION CORPORATION

Transmitter location \_\_\_\_SEE\_CARD # 1 \_\_\_

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Main studio location

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Station location PETERSBURG, VIRGINIA

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Transmitter location

Main studio location ......

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### COMMERCIAL TELEVISION

### CARD NO. 4 BROADCASTING STATION HISTORY RECORD

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Station Location PETERSBURG, VA

NATIONALDE COMMUNICATIONS, INC.

Transmitter Location

Main studio location

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### APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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Name PETERSEURG TELEVISION CORPORATION

(P.O. 701 Union Trust Building, Petersburg, Virginia)

File No.	Dated	Application for	Nature	tion Date
BPCT-1772 Rec'd Filed		C.P. for a new Comm. TV B/C Station FREQ.: Ch. #8, 180-186 mcs.  ERP: Vis. 316 kw, Aur. 158 kw Hours of Operation: Unlimited S-L: 214 E. Washington St., Petersburg, Virginia T-L: Hundred Road, 7.5 miles East of Chester, Virginia (Vis. & Aur. Dumont 12000) (5381) (Filed by Harry H. Plotkin, Atty.)	GRANTED Decision	2-29-54 Docket Wo.10737
Rec'd & Fil		Amended to change antenna height above average terrain from 538' to 546'		

Robt. E. L. Kennedy, Engr.

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### APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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Name

PETERSBURG TELEVISION CORPORATION

Petersburg, Virginia

File No.	Dated	Application for	Nature	tion Date
RCT-2957 Recd. AF11 ed	3-10-55	Mod. of CP (EPCT-1772, which authorized a new Comm. TV B/C Station) to specify studio location as 124 West Tabb St., Potersburg, Va. (same as that specified in letter from Atty. dated 2-10-55) install new transmitters, change type of antenna and make other equipment changes. (9431) (Vis. & Aur. RCA-TT-50AH) Filed by Reed Miller, Atty.	CRAFFED (Comm. Act	
Recd.&filed Ext.#2	9-7-55 9-8-55	Mod. of CP (BPCT-1772, as mod., which authorized a new Comm. TV B/C Station) to extend completion date from 10-6-55 to 4-6-56.  Filed by Harry M. Plotkin, Atty.	GRANTED	9-23-55
BICT-451 RECD FILED	2-27-56 3-16-56 3-16-56	License to cover CP (BPCT-1772 as mod.) which Gauth. a new Comm. TV B/c Station.  Miled by Reed Miller, Atty.	RANTED	2-31-56
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### APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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Petersburg, Virginia

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File No.	Dated	Application for	Nature	Date
BTC-2290 Becd, AF iled	7-23-56	Voluntary acquisition of positive control of Permittee corporation by Irvin G. Abeloff, Lee Broadcasting Corporation and Thomas J. Tineley, in privity as a group through the purchase of voting stock from Daniel J. Friedman.  Filed by Harry M. Plotkin, Atty.	GRANTED EFF:	8-2-56 8-13-56
Becd & filed	6-13-57 6-24-57	Renewal of license Filed by Harry M. Plotkin, Atty.	GRANTED	9-25-57
LETTER	12-5-58	Request for Waiver of Section 3.652(a) of Communication Communication Communication Communication of WAEX-TV to "Richmond-Petersburg, Virginia".  Harry M. Plotkin-atty	GRANTED 12	2-23-58 (Com)
and Martin I	inc. (WTVR)ALS	REHEARING filed 1-22-59 by Wilbur M. Havens, Pre	ION FOR REH	EARING filed
AND MARTIN,	INC.filed 2-	TELEVISION CORPORATION TO PROTEST AND PETITION   4-59 by Harry Flotkin for WASHINGTON D. C. SEE: CARD # 4	COLUMN TRANSPORT CONTRACTOR DE LA CONTRA	NG BI HAVEN

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### APPEICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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Name PETERSBURG TELEVISION CORPORATION.
PETERSBURG, VIRGINIA

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	REPLY OF HAV	ENS & MARTIN	INC. TO PETERSBURG TELEVISION CORPORATION OF		TO PROTEST	AND
	PETITION FOR	REHEARING P	11ed2-11-59 by John Midlen for Havens and Mari	in, Inc.		
	MEMO OPINION and Martin, In		TED 2-18-59: "Pr test and Petition for Reheari ED.	ng" filed	by Havens	
	BTC-3231	9-1-59	Voluntary acquisition of positive control of	GRANTE	D 9-16-59	
	Rec.& filed	9-2-59	Licensee corporation by Lee Broadcasting Corp. through purchase of stock from Irvin G. Abeloff Harry R. Plotkin-atty	EFF	9-21-59	
	BRCT-255 • Rec.& filed	6-24-60 6-28-60	Renewal of License Gene A. Bechtel-atty	RANTED	2-15-61	
			TION FILED 3-23-61 by Chase Ser Southside BFCT-2	812(erig.p	et.filed in	
			ILED 4-5-61 by Plotkin for WIEI-TV			
	PETITION	DISMISSED 6	21-61; ORDER ADOPTED			H
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### APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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Call WEEK-TV

NATIONWIDE COMMUNICATIONS, INC. (11-3-67)

APETERSBURG TELEVISION CORPORATION

PETERSBURG, VIRGINIA

zip 23803

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File No.	Dated	Application for	Nature	Date
HRCT-255 Recd.&Filed	7-3-63	REMEWAL OF LICENSE Thomas Schattenfield, Atty. (Arent, Fox, Kintner Plotkin & Kahn)	GRANTED	5-28-64
BMLCT-452 R & F	1-18-66	Mod. of License to reduce Aural ERP from 158 kw to 44.05 kw and change aural transmitte to RCA TT10AH.  Thos Schattenfield Atty (Same Firm as above)	GRANTED	2-10-66
BRCT-Z55 R& F BALCT-332 Rec & Filed (314) AUG  EPCT-4126 R & F PRESS	3 0 1967 5-14-68 5-20-68	RENEWAL OF LICENSE. Arent, Fox, Kintner Plotkin & Rabn Attys.  Voluntary assignment of license to Nationwide Communications, Inc. atty for assignor: Harry Plotkin assignee: Benito Gaguine  Construction Permit to establish a studio location at Broad Street Road at Horsepen Rd. Pur near Richmond, Virginia.		3 1967 67
SEE OTHERS	DE	Jack P. Blume, Atty. (Fly, Shuebruk & Gaguine)	ensee	

REPLY OF ROY H. PARK BROADCASTING OF VIRGINIA, INC. TO OPPOSITION OF NATIONWIDE COMMUNICATIONS, INC. filed 9-13-68 by John H. Midlen for WIVE-IV

PETITION FOR RECONSIDERATION filed7-3-69 by Jack P. Blume for WXEX-TV

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WXEX-TV

NATIONWIDE COMMUNICATIONS, INC.

Ch. 8 Petersburg, Virginia

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File No.	Dated	Application for	Natu	re Date	
BPCT-4227 Rec.5 filed \$180 #543030 \$120 REFUND	5-1-69 5-5-69 MAY 1 4 1969	CP to chg. ERP to Vis. 297 kw (Horz), Aur. 40.4 kw; and add beam tilt.  Jack P.Blume, Atty. (Fly, Shuebruk & Gaguine)	GRANT	5-22-69	
BLCT-1888 R & F \$30 #524207 PRESS	6-21-69	LICENSE (BPCT-4227) for changes and change Studio Location to 109 North Sycamore St., Petersburg, Virginia. Jack P. Blume, Atty.	GRANT	7-15-70	
BRCT-255 R & F PN Recd. \$150 \$526950	JUL 19 1909	RENEWAL OF LICENSE  Jack P. Blume, Atty. (Fly, Shuebruk & Gaguine  Amended 8-22-69 re other business interests.  AMENDED 9-29-69 to show officers.	GRANTED	9-30-69	

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### APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

COMMERCIAL TV

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Name NATIONWIDE COMMUNICATIONS, INC.

CH-8 Pet	tersburg, Vi	rginia		
File No.  BRCT-255 R & F PN REC FRESS	Dated 6-26-72 6-30-72 6-30-72 UL 1 3 1972	Application for  RENEWAL OF LICENSE  James K. Edmundson (Fly, Shuebruk & Blume)  AMENDED 10-30-72 re equal employment  AMENDED 5-22-74 re equal employment.	Nature Date GRANTED 8-1-75 Comm. Action	CONTRACTOR STATE
BFCT-4543 R & F #090917 \$50 AC: 062 PRESS:	7-12-72 7-13-72 7-13-72	CP to chg. Vis. ERP to 302kw and type ant. to RCA TW9A8R. Atty.: Fly, Shuebruk, Blume and Gaguine	GRANTED - 8-31	72
BLCT-2181 R & F #119537 \$50 AC: 069 PRESS:	10-17-72	Lic. to cover (BPCT-4543) for chgs. Atty.: Fly, Shuebruk, Blume and Gaguine	GRANTED 3-31-76	
		P.C.C WARRISTON, D. C.		

PETITION TO PREVENT CONTINUED VIOLATION OF COMMISSION'S EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES RULES filed 9-1-72 by Rev. Dwight Jones for Black Broadcasting Coalition.

OPPOSITION TO "PETITION TO HREVENT CONTINUED VIOLATION OF COMMISSION'S EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY RULES" filed 10-13-72 filed by Jack P. Blume on behalf of WXEX-TV

MEMO OPINION & ORDER ADOPTED 8-1-75, RELEASED 8-13-75 FCC #75-938, Mimeo 36491
ACCORDINGLY, IT IS ORDERED, That the "Petition to Prevent continued Violations of Commission's Equal Employment Opportunities Rules" filed September 1, 1972 by Rev. Dwight Jones, et al.
IS GRANTED to the extent indicated above and DENIED in all remaining aspects.
IF IS FURTHER ORDERED, That the following 1972 license renewal applications ARE GRANTED for the remainder of their current license terms (to 10-1-75): WRXL-FM, WIKI-AM, WDYL-FM, WIKE-AM, WRVA-AM, WXEX-TV and WTVR-TV

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COMMERCIAL TELEVISION
Call
Letters WXEX-TV

Name NATIONWIDE COMMUNICATIONS, INC.

CH-8 Petersburg, Virginia

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The same of the last of the la	BRCTV-214  R & F #334043 \$50  &C: 058  PRESS:	8-6-74	Request authority to operate transmitter by remote control from 230 S. Crater Road, Peter Virginia.  Atty: Howard J. Braun (Fly, Shuebruk, Blume, and Gaguine)	Mire ser	8-29-74 is not issued; sued with Ren.
	BRCT-255 R & F PN Rec'd: PRESS:	5-27-75 6-2-75 6-2-75	RENEWAL OF LICENSE  Annual Report Filed  Atty: James K. Edmundson (Fly, Shuebruk,)	GRANTED	9-12-75
	BPCT-5022 R&F PN RECD PRESS	3-1-77 3-3-77	CP to chg. ERP to Vis. 316kW(Max) 296kW(H), Aur. 29.6kW(H); chg. TL to 23 Sesame St., Midlothian, Va. (37-30-46 77-36-06); chg. type trans. to RCA TT-50FH; type ant. to RCA TBK-13A8R(S)(BT); and HAAT 967 ft. MAJOR ENVIRONMENTAL ACTION. Atty.: Herbert M. Schulkind(Fly, Shuebruk, etc.)	GRANTED 1	5-19-77

### APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

COMMERCIAL TV

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	Name NATIONWIDE COMMUNICATIONS, INC. CH-8 PETERSBURG, VIRGINIA								
	File No.	Dated	Application for	Nature	tion Date				
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	BRCT-255 R&F PN RECD PRESS	5-22-78 6-1-78 6-1-78 JUN 1 3 1978	Atty.: Herbert Schulkind	GRANTED	3-27-79				
	BICT- 781010KK R & F PRESS:	79 0 2 1	Lic. to cover (BFCT-5022 as mod.) for chgs.  Atty.: Fly, Shuebruk, Blume, Gaguine, Boros and Schulkind	GRANTED	3-20-79				
	PTA	1-23-79	F.C.C WASHINSTON, D. C.						

CARD No. 10

### APPLICATION RECORD-BROADCASTING COMMERCIAL TELEVISION

Call Letters: WXEX-TV

Name: NATIONHIDE COMMUNICATIONS, INC.

CH-8

Station Location: PETERSBURG , VIRGINIA

File No.	Date	Description	Action and Date  D AND BRAUN;	
RCT-810L01L0 REF	5-22-81 6-01-81 6-01-81	RENEWAL OF LICENSE ATTY: HERBERT M. SCHULKIND (FLY, SHUEBRUK, GAGUINE, BOROS, SCHULKIN		
			Ferm BC-121 March 1979	

#### **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.

