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BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed 3-10-47

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Location: Mattoon, Illinois

Name of licensee MATTOON BROADCASTING COMPANY

(BP 2-5-73)

Transmitter location South side of County Road 18, 0.5 mi. W. of U.S. Hwy. 45, Mattoon, Ill.
x Approx. 1½ miles North of Business Section, near U.S. Highway 45, Mattoon, Illinois (CP 5-24-46)

Main studio location 1632½ Broadway Ave., Mattoon, Illinois (MP 11-15-46)
x1613 Charleston Ave., Mattoon, Ill. (CP 5-24-46)

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CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From-- To--
B4-P-4643	5-24-46	1170	250w	Daytime	7-24 1-24-47
	C.P. for new station			(Conditional Clause)	
B4-MP-2237	11-15-46	Mod. CP (4643) to change			type T and
		studio location			7-24 1-24-47
				(Conditional Clause)	
B4-L-2175 B4-Z-1989	3-10-47	1170	250w	Daytime	3-10 5-1-48
	Lic. to cover CP (4643 as mod.) for new station and determine operating power by direct method				
				(Conditional Clause)	
BR-1438	4-14-48	1170	250w	D	5-1 5-1-51
BP-7105	3-8-49	1170	250w	Daytime	5-8 11-8-49
	CP to mount FM antenna on side of AM tower.				
BL-3869	11-23-49	1170	250w	Daytime	11-23 5-1-51
	Lic. to cover CP (7105) to mount FM antenna on side of AM tower.				
Telegram operator	3-16-51	Temp. permission to use lower class granted for period 3-16-51 thru 4-16-51			
BR-1438	4-25-51	1170	250w	Daytime	5-1 5-1-54
BR-1438	4-28-54	Renewal of license			5-1 12-1-55
BR-1438	11-9-55	Renewal of license			12-1 12-1-58
BRC-1024 (1)	9-12-56	Modification of license to operate transmitter by remote control from 1632½ Broadway Avenue, 3rd Floor, National Bank Building, Mattoon, Illinois.			
BZ-4024 (2)	8-21-58	Authority to determine operating power by direct measurement of antenna power.			
BR-1438	11-19-58	1170	250w	Day(RC)	12-1 12-1-61
	11-29-61	Action on Renewal of License Deferred.			
BR-1438	12-1-61	Renewal of license			12-1 12-1-64
BZ-4839 (1)	3-6-63	Authority to determine operating power by direct measurement of antenna power.			
BR-1438	11-9-64	1170kc. 250w,		Day (RC)	12-1 12-1-67
BR-1438	11-24-67	Renewal of LICENSE AND DEA			12-1 12-1-70
BR-1438(S)	1-12-71	Renewal and NDEA			12-1-73
BP-17,684	9-22-71	1170kc 5kw DA-D		Day	9-22-72
	CP to increase power to 5kw and install DA-D new trans. COLLINS 820E-1 and delete remote control.				

Form BC 126
June 1954

BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed .....

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Station location .....

Name of licensee .....

Transmitter location .....

Main studio location .....

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From-- To-
EBSA	5-25-72				
BMP-13,446(L)	7-6-72 Mod. of (BP-17,684) to chg. TL, make changes in the antenna system.				
BMP-13,492(1)	10-10-72 MP(BP-17,684) ext. time to 3-22-73				
BMP-13,537(L)	2-5-73 Mod. of (BP-17,684) to chg. trans. site.				
BMP-13,582(1)	3-19-73 MP(BMP-13,537) ext. time 9-22-73				
BMP-13,676	(2) 9-6-73 MP(BMP-13,537) ext. time 4-1-74.				
BMP-13,537(3)	1-22-74 MP(BMP-13,537) chg. obstruction markings.				
BMP-13,766(4)	4-18-74 MP(BP-17,684, as mod) ext. to 6-30-74				
BMP-13,816(5)	7-15-74 MP(BP-17,684, as mod) ext. to 11-30-74				
BP-20,005	9-29-75 Mod. of CP(BP-17,684) to make chgs. in ant. sys.				9-29-75
BR-1438(L) BL-13,774 BL-14,156	7-30-76 Renewal of License and Modification				12-1-76
BR-1438(L)	1-6-77 Renewal of license				12-1-79
BR-790808UA(S)	11-30-79 RENEWAL OF LICENSE				12-1-82

Form 94

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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Name MATTOON BROADCASTING COMPANY
(P.O. 1611 Broadway, Mattoon, Illinois)

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
B4-P-4643 Rec'd Filed	3-20-46 3-20-46 3-20-46	Construction Permit for a new standard broadcast station to be operated on: Frequency - 1170 kc Power - 250w Hours of operation - Daytime Trans. Location - Approx. 1½ mi. North of business section, near U.S.Highway 45, Mattoon, Illinois. Studio Location -1613 Charleston Ave., Mattoon, Illinois. (Worthington C.Lent, Engr.)	GRANTED Conditional re waiver Rules 3.55(b) and 3.60	5-24-46

RCA BTA-250L

J. I. Dilsaver, 1613½ Broadway, Mattoon, Ill., Atty.

Form 94

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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Call Letters W L B H

Name MATTOON BROADCASTING COMPANY

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
B4-MP-2237 Rec'd Filed	11-1-46 11-4-46 11-4-46	Modification of Construction Permit (B4-P-4643, which authorized a new broadcast station) to change type of transmitter (Raytheon RA-250) and change studio location from 1613 Charleston Ave., Mattoon, Illinois to 1632½ Broadway Ave., Mattoon, Illinois.	GRANTED Conditional re Waiver 3.55(b)	11-15-46 and 3.60
B4-L-2175 Rec'd Filed B4-Z-1989 Rec'd	11-23-46 11-25-46 11-25-46 11-23-46 11-25-46	License to cover C.P. (B4-P-4643, as mod.,) which authorized a new standard broadcast station and Authority to determine operating power by direct measurement of antenna power.	GRANTED (Conditional re waiver 3.60)	3-10-47

Form 94 #3

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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Name MATTOON BROADCASTING COMPANY

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BR-1438 Rec'd.	2-18-48 2-26-48	Renewal license	Granted	4-14-48
BP-7105 Rec'd Filed	2-7-49 2-10-49 2-10-49	Construction Permit to mount FM antenna on side of AM tower.	GRANTED	3-8-49
BL-3869 Rec'd Filed	11-3-49 11-7-49 11-7-49	License to cover Construction Permit (BP-7105) which authorized to mount FM antenna on side of AM tower.	GRANTED	11-23-49
BR-1438 Rec'd	2-26-51 3-1-51	Renewal of license	GRANTED	4-25-51
BR-1438 Rec'd Filed 2-1-54	1-29-54 2-1-54	Renewal of License	Granted	4-28-54

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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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Name MATTOON BROADCASTING COMPANY

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BR-1438 Rec'd Resub'd Rec'd Filed	8-31-55 9-2-55 9-28-55 9-30-55 9-30-55	Renewal of license	~~Returned 9-21-55~~ ~~Section II not signed~~ GRANTED	11-9-55
BRC-1024 Rec'd Filed	9-10-56 9-10-56 9-10-56	Modification of license to operate transmitter by remote control from 1632½ Broadway Avenue, 3rd Floor, National Bank Building, Mattoon, Illinois	GRANTED	9-12-56
BZ-4024 Recd Filed	7-25-58 8-4-58 8-4-58	Authority to determine operating power by direct measurement of antenna power.	GRANTED	8-21-58
BR-1438 Recd Filed	8-29-58 9-2-58 9-2-58	Renewal of license	GRANTED	11-19-58

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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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Name MATTOON BROADCASTING COMPANY
Mattoon, Illinois

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BR-1438 R. & F.	8-31-61 9-5-61	Renewal of License.	GRANTED	12-1-61
BZ-4839 R. & F.	9-7-62 9-14-62	Authority to determine operating power by direct measurement of antenna power.	GRANTED	3-6-63
BR-1438 Rec'd Filed	8-31-64 9-1-64 9-1-64	Renewal of license	GRANTED	11-9-64
BP-17,684 Recd Filed	3-24-67 3-30-67 3-30-67	CP to increase power from 250w to 5kw and install DA-D; new transmitter(COLLINS 820E-1) and delete remote control operation. Attys-Cottone and Fanelli Engr-Thomas J. English	DESIGNATED FOR HEARING 10-9-68 Docket #18355 GRANTED	9-22-71

Waiver Sec. 73.37 granted and appl. accepted for filing by Comm action 5-3-67. P

AMENDED 7-18-69 re to show current balance sheet and additional survey & programming data.

Amended 3-9-70 re programming information.

Amended 5-14-71 re community survey.

F.C.C. - WASHINGTON, D. C.

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MATTOON, ILLINOIS

FORM BC-121
Aug. 1955

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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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Name MATTOON BROADCASTING COMPANY
Mattoon, Illinois

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BR-1438 R & F OCT 3 1967	8-31-67 9-5-67	Renewal of license	GRANTED	11-24-67
BR-1438 R & F PN Recd. PRESS OCT 6 1970	8-31-70 9-2-70 "	RENEWAL OF LICENSE AMENDED 11-27-70 re: commercial matter	GRANTED	1-12-71
Annual filing fee $52.00 paid 12-7-70 #647858.				
BMP-13,446 Rec'd Filed $50-077254 AC-060 PRESS: JUN 28 1972	5-23-72 5-26-72 5-26-72 5-26-72	Modification of CP(BP-17,684) to change antenna-transmitter site to U.S. Route 45, 2.8 mi. N of City limits, Mattoon, Illinois and make changes in the antenna system. 39 32 15 88 21 21 and change trans. to Gates, BC-5H.	GRANTED	7-6-72

F.C.C. - WASHINGTON, D. C.

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September 1969

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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Name MATTOON BROADCASTING COMPANY
Mattoon, Illinois

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BMP-13,492 R & F $50-107806 AC-067 SEP 20 1972	9-8-72 9-11-72 9-11-72 9-11-72	MP(BP-17,684) for extension of completion date to 3-22-72 (changes)	GRANTED	10-10-72 to 3-22-73
BMP-13,537 Rec'd Filed $50-122364 AC-060 PRESS: NOV 22 1972	10-27-72 10-27-72 10-27-72 10-27-72 10-27-72	Modification of CP(BP-17,684 as mod.) to change transmitter site to South side of County Road 18, 0.5 mi. West of U.S. Hwy. 45, Mattoon, Illinois. 39° 31' 05" 88° 22' 15"	GRANTED	2-5-73
BMP-13,582 R&F $50-157873 AC-067 PRESS: MAR 9 1973	2-27-73 2-28-73 2-28-73 2-28-73	Modification of CP(BP-17,684 as mod.) for extension of completion date to 10-30-73. (Changes)	GRANTED to	3-19-73 9-22-73

F.C.C. - WASHINGTON, D. C.

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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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Name MATTOON BROADCASTING COMPANY
MATTOON, ILLINOIS

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BMP-13,676 R&F $50-226736 AC-056 PRESS: AUG 2 9 1973	8-22-73 8-24-73 8-24-73	Mod. of CP(BP-17,684 as mod.) for extension of completion date to 2-28-74. (Changes)	GRANTED to	9-6-73 4-1-74
BR-1438 R & F PN PRESS	8-29-73 9-4-73 9-4-73 2 5 SEP 1973	Renewal of License AMENDED 11-29-73 re: community survey; prog; EEO	GRANTED issued with BL-13.774 and BL-14,156	7-30-76
BMP-13,766 R & F 50-288437 AC-056 Press:	3-4-74 3-7-74 3-8-74	Mod. of CP (BP-17684 as mod) for extension of completion date to 6-30-74 (Changes)	GRANTED TO	4-18-74 6-30-74
BMP-13,816 R & F $50-317542 press JUL 12 1974	6-17-74 6-20-74	MP(BP-17,684) as modified ext. time to 11-30-74. (Changes)	GRANTED TO	7-15-74 11-30-74

F.C.C. - WASHINGTON, D. C.

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September 1969

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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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Name MATTOON BROADCASTING COMPANY
Mattoon, Illinois

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BL-13,774 R & F $50#336204 PTA PRESS 25 SEP 1974	8-12-74 8-15-74 8-20-74 8-27-74	Lic. to cover BP-17,684 for changes SL & TL: RFD(North of Mattoon) Delete Remote control	GRANTED issued with BL-14,156 and RENEWAL	7-30-76
BP- 20,005 Rec'd Filed $50-394527 AC-056 AUG 8 1975	2-20-75 2-20-75 2- 20-75	Construction permit to make changes in antenna system.	issued as modification of BP-17,684 GRANTED	9-29-75
BL-14,156 R & F $100#56354 PTA PRESS MAY 28 1976	5-5-76 5-5-76 5-6-76 5-13-76	Lic. to cover BP-20,005 for changes	GRANTED issued with BL-13,774 and RENEWAL	7-30-76

F.C.C. - WASHINGTON, D. C.

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May 1976
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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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Name MATTOON BROADCASTING COMPANY
MATTOON, ILLINOIS

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BR-1438	7-19-76	RENEWAL OF LICENSE		
R & F	7-30-76			
PN Recd.	"	Steven A. Lerman, Atty.	GRANTED	1-6-77
PRESS	SEP 24 1976			
BR 790808 U A		RENEWAL OF LICENSE	GRANTED	11-30-79
PRESS	AUG 20 1979			

F.C.C. - WASHINGTON, D. C.

W L B H - RECORD OF DENIAL OF INFORMAL APPLICATIONS

BS-1438	3-2-48	To operate add'l time from 6:45pm, CST, conclusion of basketball games of Mattoon High School in Regional Tournament on March 2,3,4 and 5, 1948, in order to broadcast said games, only.

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 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. 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 – 3" by 5" filing cards – 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). 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. Generally, they have been left as negatives as those are often easier to read.

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 radio station history.