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AM

BROADCASTING STATION HISTORY RECORD

First licensed 3-12-81

Call Letters W.S.L.K

Station Location HYDEN, KENTUCKY

Name AYERS SHORTT SALES, INC.

Transmitter Location On Hospital Hill, 0.9 miles NW of Hyden, Hyden, Kentucky (MP800804AU 2-3-81)
X Hospital Rd., 0.2 mi. E. of City, Hyden, Kentucky

Main studio location SAME AS TRANS. SITE (MP800804AU 2-3-81) RC
X Hospital Rd., 0.2 mi. E. of City, Hyden, Kentucky

Form BC-126
December 1978

Authorization Record

File No.	Granted	Facilities	Expires
BP-780718AA CP FOR A NEW AM	8-20-79 STATION.	1600KHz. 500w Day	8-20-80
BP-780718AA (1)	12-17-79	CALL LETTERS ASSIGNED	& EBSA ISS
COMTEL	7-11-80	RELET KENKEL PURSUANT TO SECTION 73.99 RULES THIS TELEGRAM CONSTITUTES PRE SUNRISE SERVICE AUTH AUTH. FOR OPERATION FROM 6:00AM LOCAL TIME TO SUNRISE TIMES SPECIFIED INSTRUCMENT OF AUTH. WITH AUTH. DAYTIME ANTENNA & POWER OF 500 WATTS DETERMINED BY DIRECT METHOD., ANTENNA CURRENT COMPUTED UTILIZING LAST ANTENNA RESISTANCE MEASUREMENT SUBMITTED TO COMMISSION. POST THIS AUTH. OR PHOTO COPY WITH STATION LIC.	
BMP800804AU (2)	2-3-81	Mod. of CP (BP780718AA, as mod.) to chg. TL, SL & RC, geo. coords.	
BL-800707AJ(L)	3-12-81	Lic. to cover BP780718AA for NEW AM STATION	8-1-82

Form BC-121
May 1976

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters new W S L K

Name AYERS SHORTT SALES, INC.
Hyden, Kentucky (PO Box 144, Clintwood, Va. 24228)

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BP-780718AA Rec. filed PRESS: PN FILED	7-14-78 7-18-78 7-18-78 OCT 2 1978	CP for a new AM station at Hyden, Ky. 1600khz, 500w, Day HARRIS MW-1A TL & SL: Hospital Rd., Hyden, Ky. (37 09 41 83 21 42) MUTUALLY EXCLUSIVE WITH BP-20616,Pittsburg ,Ky Atty: John Kenkel Engr: W llis Beecher	Gr.	8-20-79
BMP-800215AD PRESS: (o)	APR 9 1980	MP(BP-780718AA)chg TL: ~~On Owl's Nest Road, 0.3 mile North of Rt 80, Hyden, Kentucky~~ ~~37-09-30----------83--22--10--~~ ATTY: John Kenkel	DISMISSED	5-6-80
AMENDED	3-7-80	chg TL: On Owl's Nest road, 1.0 mi N of Rt 80, Hyden, Kentucky 37 10 08 83 31 52		

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

1600khz

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APPLICATION RECORD-BROADCASTING

Call Letters: W S L K

Name: AYERS SHORTT SALES, INC.

Station Location: Hyden, Kentucky

File No.	Date	Description	Action and Date
BL-800707AJ R & F PRESS	7-7-80 OCT 6 1980	Lic. to cover BP-780718AA for NEW AM STATION Atty: John B. Kenkel(Kenkel and Barnard) amend 5-7-81	GRANTED 3-12-81
BMP800804AU PRESS (O)	NOV 6 1980	Mod. of CP (BP-780718AA, As Mod.) To Correct TL,SL & RC to Read: On Hospital Hill, 0.9 miles NW of Hyden, Hyden, Kentucky & Correct Geographical Coordinates to Read: 37° 10' 22" 83° 22' 54" Atty. John B. Kenkel (Kenkel & Barnard)	GRANTED 2-3-81 Con'd

Form 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 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.