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Form BC-126
June 1954

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BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

W G R Q (EFF: 1-1-73)

Date first licensed 12-4-59

Call letters X W G R-FM

Station location: Buffalo, New York

Name of licensee TAFT BROADCASTING COMPANY(BALH-2-29-64 EFF: 4-1-64)
x TRANSCONTINENT TELEVISION CORPORATION

Lot #53, Warner Hill Road, Wales, New York (BPH 6-15-67) LH 9-5-68
BLH-12-4-59)

2065/ Elmwood Avenue ~~between Hinman & Hartel~~, Buffalo, New York (BMPH 5-22-59)

Transmitter location x Lafayette Hotel, Washington & Clinton Streets, Buffalo, New York

14213 464 Franklin St., Buffalo, New York (ltr. 8-2-71)
x 184 Barton St. Buffalo, New York BLH 9-5-68

2065 Elmwood Avenue ~~between Hinman & Hartel~~, Buffalo, New York (BMPH 5-22-59)

Main studio location x Lafayette Hotel, Washington & Clinton Streets, Buffalo, New York

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Channel & Freq.	ERP Power	Time Div.	Period From-- To--
BPH-2470	9-10-58	96.9mcs.	17.5kw.	U	11-10-58
HAAT: 320		Ch. 245		TPO: 5 kw.	5-10-59
Construction permit for a new FM Broadcast Station.					
BSCA-128	10-1-58	Subsidiary Communications on a Multiplex Basis to			Authorization (see auth.)
BMPH-5262 BMPH-5468 HAAT: 630' TPO: 5kw. #1	5-22-59	Mod. CP(BPH-2470) to change studio & t-location, ant. system, ERP, HAAT & ext. completion date. 96.9mcs., 16kw., Unl. Ch.245			to 9-1-59
BLH-1439	12-4-59	96.9mcs., 16 kw., Unl. HAAT: 630' TPO: 5kw.			12-4-59 6-1-60
Lic. for new FM Broadcast Station.					
BRH-971	5-25-60	Renewal of License			6-1 6-1-63
BRSCA-128	5-25-60	Subsidiary Communications Authorization on a Multiplex Basis to 6-1-63			
	5-29-63	COMMISSION DEFERRED ACTION ON RENEWAL PENDING FURTHER CONSIDERATION.			
BRH-971	7-29-63	Renewal of License			7-29 6-1-66
BRSCA-128	7-29-63	Subsidiary Communications Authorization on multiplex basis to			6-1-66
BALH-630 & BASCA-131	2-19-64	Voluntary assignment of license to Taft Broadcasting Company(Eff:4-1-64)			
BTC-4762 Eff:	2-19-65 3-5-65	Voluntary relinquishment of positive control of lic.corp.by the Ingalls & Taft Families thru sale of stock (10.72%) of the lic.corp to the general public.			
BPH-4977 HAAT:630'	6-15-65	96.9mcs Ch. #245	ERP:16kw TPO: 4.6kw	Unl.	8-17-65 2-17-66
Construction permit to change transmission line and decrease TPO;					
BLH-2977 HAAT:630'	10-12-65	96.9mcs CH245	16kw TPO:4.61kw	U	10-12 6-1-66
		Lic to cover CP(BPH-4977) which auth chg in transmission line and decrease TPO			
BRH-971	5-5-67	Renewal of license			5-5-67 6-1-69

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June 1954

BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed .....

Call letters W G R-FM

Station location .....

Name of licensee SEE CARD #1

Transmitter location .....

Main studio location .....

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From	To
BPH-5747 HAAT: 890'	6-15-67 (h&v)	96.9mc TPO: 2.75kw	ch#245	ERP:12.5kw	(h&v)	8-15-67 2-15-68
	CP to move trans location; install dual polarized ant(RCA-BFC-10, 10 sections); decr. TPO; ERP; (horiz.' vert.); and incr. HAAT(horiz. & vert.);					
BMPH-9814 (1)	2-13-68	Mod. of CP(BPH-5747) for extension of completion date to			6-1-68.	
BLH-4064 HAAT: 890'	9-5-68 (h&v)	96.9mc Ch#245	ERP: 12.5kw(h&V) TPO: 2.75kw	Unl		6-1-69
	lic. to cover BPH-5747 (specify studio at 184 Sarton St.,Buffalo,N.Y.)					
BRH-971(S)	5-22-69	Renewal & NDEA			6-1-72	
RSCA-1,001	4-13-70	Request for Subsidiary Communications Authorization on a sub-carrier frequencies of 70.75khz, 55.25khz, 39.75khz and 24.25khz.				
BSH-971(L)	6-19-71	Lic. chg. SL				
SCA NOT TO BE RENEWED PER COVER LETTER 3-3-72						
EBSA	5-25-72					
BRH-971(L)	11-22-72	RENEWAL			6-1-75	
BRH-971(S)	5-28-75	RENEWAL			6-1-78	
BRH-971 (S)	5-30-78	REN.OF LIC.			6-1-81	
BSH-971(L)	12-11-79	Lic. chg. antenna & TPO 96.9 12.5kw 890' H&V			6-1-81	
BPH800131AD HAAT: 690' (L)	4-28-80 (H&V)	96.9 CP to decr. HAAT, ERP & install new auxiliary antenna.	ERP: 7.8kw (H&V)		4-28-81	
BLH-800813AG HAAT: 690' (L)	9-30-80 (H&V)	96.9mHz Lic. to operate formerly authorized main fac. as auxiliary transmitter.	ERP:7.8kW(H&V)		6-1-81	

FORM BC-121 # 1.
AUG. 1955

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters ~~NEW~~ WCBI-FM

Name TRANSCONTINENT TELEVISION CORPORATION
70 Niagara Street, Buffalo, New York

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BPH-2470 Rec'd Filed	7-17-58 7-28-58 7-28-58	Construction permit for a new FM Broadcast Station to be operated on: Frequency: ~~102.5 mcs.~~ ~~Ch. 273~~ 96.5mc CH 245 Power: 17.52 kw. ERP HAAT:323' Transmitter: RCA, BTF-5B T-location: Lafayette Hotel, Washington and Clinton Sts., Buffalo, N.Y. S-location: Lafayette Hotel, Washington and Clinton Sts., Buffalo, N.Y. Atty: Covington & Burling Engr.: Walter L. Davis	GRANTED Conditional ERP: 17.5 kw., HAAT: 320'	9-10-58
SEE Amendment on Card #2.				
BSCA-128 Rec'd Filed	7-17-58 7-28-58 7-28-58	Authority establish a Subsidiary Communications Authorization (Multiplex Basis) using a sub-carrier frequency of approximately 67 kcs.	GRANTED	10-1-58

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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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Name TRANSCONTINENT TELEVISION CORPORATION

Call Letters WGR-FM

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
Continued from Card # 1				
Amendment to BPH-2470 Rec'd&Filed	8-12-58 8-14-58	Amended to change frequency from 102.5mc CH 273 TO 96.9 mc CH 245.		
BMPH-5464 Rec'd Filed	3-30-59 3-31-59 3-31-59	Modification of c.p. (BPH-2470 which authorized a new FM Broadcast Station) to decrease ERP from 17.5kw to 16.16kw; change HAAT from 320' to 628' and change studio & trans. loc. from Lafayette Hotel, Washington & Clinton Sts., Buffalo, N.Y. to Elmwood Avenue between Hinman and Hertel, Buffalo, N.Y. (side-mount FM antenna on TV Tower). John V.L. Ellicott, Atty.	GRANTED ERP: 16kw. HAAT: 630'	5-22-59
BMPH-5468 Rec'd Filed	4-8-59 4-10-59 4-10-59	Modification of c.p. (BPH-2470 which authorized a new FM Broadcast Station) for extension of completion date from 5-10-59 to 9-1-59. John V. L. Ellicott, Atty.	GRANTED	5-22-59

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FORM BC-121 #3 APPLICATION RECORD · BROADCASTING
AUG. 1955

Call Letters WGR-FM

Name TRANSCONTINENT TELEVISION CORPORATION
BUFFALO, NEW YORK

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BLH-1439 R & F	8-25-59 8-26-59	License to cover C.P. (BPH-2470 as modified) which authorized construction of a new FM Broadcast Station. Atty. Czarra	GRANTED	12-4-59
BRH-971 Rec'd& Filed	2-29-60 3-3-60	Renewal of license. Covington & Burling, Attys.	GRANTED	5-25-60
BRSCA-128 Rec'd& Filed	2-29-60 3-3-60	Renewal of Subsidiary Communications Authorization. Covington and Burling, Attys.	GRANTED	5-25-60
BRH-971 R & F	3-1-63 3-4-63	Renewal of License Thad Holt, Jr., Atty.	GRANTED	7-29-63
BRSCA-128 R & F	3-1-63 3-4-63	Renewal of Subsidiary Communications Authorization Thad Holt, Jr., Atty.	GRANTED	7-29-63

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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters WGR-FM

Name TAFT BROADCASTING COMPANY
XTRANSCONTINENT TELEVISION CORPORATION
Buffalo, N. Y.

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BALH-630 BASCA-131 R&F	9-16-63 9-18-63	Voluntary assignment of license and SCA to Taft Broadcasting Company (Mutually contingent on simultaneously filed applications) Attys. Koteen, Quayle Smith & Czarra	GRANTED Eff:	2-19-64 4-1-64
BTC-4762 R & F	2-4-65 2-5-65	Voluntary relinquishment of positive control of licensee corp. by the Ingalls & Taft Families thru sale of stock(10.72%) of the licensee corp. to the general public Atty. - Koteen & Burt	GRANTED Eff:	2-19-65 3-5-65
Ltr. dated 4-15-65 from Naftalin for licensee for waiver 73.242 B/C 4-19-65				
BPH-4977 R&F	6-4-65 6-7-65	Construction permit to change transmission line and decrease TPO to 4.614kw. Atty: Koteen & Burt	GRANTED	6-15-65

FORM BC-121 #5
AUG. 1955

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters WGR-FM

Name TAFT BROADCASTING COMPANY
BUFFALO, NEW YORK

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BLH-4977 R&F	8-25-65 8-30-65	License to cover CP (BPH-4977) which authorized change in transmission line and decrease TPO. Atty: Koteen & Burt	GRANTED	10-12-65
BRH-971 R & F	3-1-66 3-1-66	Renewal of License Atty. Koteen & Burt	GRANTED	5-5-67
BPH-5747 R & F	3-9-67 3-13-67	Construction Permit to move transmitter location to Lot #53 Warner Hill Road, Wale, New York(WGR-TV location); install new dual polarized ant.(RCA-BFC-10, 10 sects);decr. TPO to 2.75kw; decr. ERP to 12.6kw(horiz. & vert.) and incr. HAAT to 889 feet (horiz. & vert.); Attys - Koteen & Burt(Alan Y. Naftalin)	GRANTED	6-15-67

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APPLICATION RECORD · BROADCASTING

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Name TAFT BROADCASTING COMPANY
BUFFALO, NEW YORK

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BMPH-9814 R & F JAN 2 8 1968	1-5-68 1-10-68	Mod. of CP(BPH-5747 which authorized chg. transmitter location; install dual polarized ant; decr. TPO; ERP(h&v); and incr. HAAT) for extension of completion date from 2-15-68 to 6-1-68. Atty - Alan Y. Naftalin(Koteen & Burt)	GRANTED to	2-13-68 6-1-68
BLH-4064 R & F #431142 $30 PT AUG 2 9 1968	5/17/68 5/23/68 5/23/68 6/4/68	License (BPH-5747 as mod.) for changes, chng. studio loc. 184 Barton St. Atty: Alan Y. Naftalin	GRANTED	9-5-68
BRH-971 R & F #494995 $75. PRESS MAR 2 0 1969	2-26-69 3-3-69 3-3-69	Renewal of license Atty. Victor E. Ferrall	GRANTED	5-22-69

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September 1969

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters W G R Q
X WGR-FM

Name TAFT BROADCASTING COMPANY
BUFFALO, NEW YORK

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BSCA-1,001 R & F #585861$30. PRESS: MAR 27 1970	3-13-70 3-17-70 3-17-70	Request for Subsidiary Communications Authorization on a sub-carrier frequencies of 70.75Khz, 55.25Khz, 39.75Khz and 24.25Khz. Atty: Alan Y. Naftalin(Koteen & Burt etc).	GRANTED	4-13-70
BRH-971 R & F PN PRESS MAR 21 1972	2-28-72 3-3-72 3-3-72	Renewal of License Atty-Victor E. Ferrall, Jr.	GRANTED	11-22-72

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September 1969

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters WGRQ

Name TAFT BROADCASTING COMPANY
BUFFALO, NEW YORK

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BRH-971 R & F PN Recd. PRESS	1-29-75 2-3-75 " MAR 28 1975	RENEWAL OF LICENSE	GRANTED	5-28-75
BRH-971 R & F PRESS	1-26-78 2-1-78 FEB 28 1978	Renewal of License	GRANTED	5-30-78
BPH-800131AD PRESS: (O)	[illegible]	Construction permit to decr HAAT: 693'H&V ERP: 7.78KW H&V install new auxiliary ant. (HARRIS FML-4E,4 sections)	GRANTED	4-28-80
BLH-800813AG PTA PRESS	SEP 2 1980	License to operate formerly authorized main facilities as auxiliary transmitter. FOR AUXILIARY PURPOSES ONLY.	GRANTED	9-30-80

302 8/13/80

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APPLICATION RECORD-BROADCASTING

Call Letters: WGRQ-FM 96.9

Name: TAFT BROADCASTING COMPANY

Station Location: BUFFALO, NEW YORK

File No.	Date	Description	Action and Date
BRH-810202VF PN FILED PRESS	MAR 23 1981	RENEWAL OF LICENSE (MAIN, AUX. TRANSMITTER)	GRANTED 5-29-80

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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.

FM History Cards were initiated in the early 1940s, with the authorization of the earliest FM stations in the FM band, then at 42 to 50 MHz. (The band was shifted to its present location, 88 to 108 MHz, in 1946.) 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 radio station history.