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Form BC 126
June 1954 #4449

# BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed 3-31-65 Call letters W I D D

Station location Elizabethton, Tenn

consummated 9-30-76

METRO BROADCASTING CORPORATION (AL gr 9/22/76 EFF: 10-1-76 -12.01am)
x WALTER A. CURTIS, TRUSTEE IN BANKRUPTCY ( AL gr 4/13/76 EFF: 5-18-76
x WALTER A. CURTIS, RECEIVER (AL gr 11/26/75 EFF: 12/9/75

Name of licensee xHOLSTON BROADCASTING CORPORATION

Watauga Road, 0.35 mi. West of US 19E, Elizabethton, Tennessee

Transmitter location x Johnson Avenue at Collins Public Rd., Elizabethton, Tenn. (BP 8-31-64)

37643

604 E. Elk Avenue, Elizabethton, Tennessee

Main studio location Same as transmitter

# CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

| Appl. No. | Date Issued | Freq. | Power | Time Div. | Period From To |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| BP-15012 | 8-31-64 | 1520kc | 1kw, 500w (CH) | Day | 10-31 4-30-65 |
| | CP for a new standard broadcast station (Cond'l) | | | | |
| BTC-4660 Eff:2-26-65 | 10-6-64 | Voluntary relinquishment of positive control of permittee corp. by J.H.Lewis thru sale of stock by the permitee corporation to C.M. Taylor. | | | |
| BP-11341 | 10-21-64 | 1520kc | 1kw, 500w(CH) | D | 10-31 4-30-65 |
| | Mod. of CP(BP-15,012) to chg ant-trans site from Johnson Avenue at Collins Public Rd. Elizabethton, tenn to Watauga Rd., 0.35 mi. West of US 19E, Elizabethton, Tenn.,;chg. studio loc from same as trans to 604 E. Elk Ave. Elizabethton, Tenn. Request remote control from studio, chg. type trans to Gates FC-10, make changes in ground system. | | | | |
| BL-10,805 | 3-31-65 | 1520kc | 1kw,500W(CH) | D | 3-31 8-1-67 |
| | Lic to cover CP (BP-15,012 as mod) which auth a new standard broadcast station. | | | | |
| BR-4449 | 8-17-67 | Renewal of License | | | 8-17 8-1-70 |
| BZ-6849(D) | 6-24-68 | Direct Leas. | | | |
| BTC-6115 | 1-15-70 | Vol. TC | EFF: 3-5-70 | | |
| BR-4449(D) | 12-18-70 | Renewal of License | | | 8-1-73 |
| EBSA | 6-12-72 | | | | |
| BR-4449(S) | 4-16-74 | RENEWAL | | | 8-1-76 |
| BAL-8555 | 11/26/75 | Invol AL | EFF: 12/9/75 | | |
| BAL-8632 | 4/13/76 | Invol AL | EFF: | 5-18-76 | |
| (BAL-8747 | 9/22/76 | Vol AL | EFF: 10-1-76 (consummated 9-30-76) | | |
| BR-4449(D) | 9/22/76 | Renewal of License 1520 1kw,500w(CH) D | | | 8/1/79 |
| BTC-8506 | 11-18-77 | Vol acq of neg. con | | EFF: | 1-30-78 |
| BR790402CA | 7-26-79 | RENEWAL OF LICENSE (S) | | | 8-1-82 |

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# APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters ....new.... W I D D

Name ....HOLSTON BROADCASTING CORPORATION....
ELIZABETHTON, TENNESSEE (P.O. Box 110, Elizabethton, Tennessee)

| File No. | Dated | Application for | Action Nature | Action Date |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| BP-15,012<br>Rec'd<br>Filed | 7-28-61<br>7-31-61<br>7-31-61 | Construction Permit for a new standard broadcast station to be operated on:<br>Frequency-1520kc<br>Power- 1kw, 500wCH<br>Hours of operation-Daytime<br>Trans. location-Johnson Avenue at Collins Public Rd., Elizabethton, Tenn.<br>Studio location-same as transmitter<br>Engr: Palmer A. Greer, Greenville, S.C. | GRANTED<br>Cond'l re: operation<br><br>After Hearing Docket No. 15111 Order Issued | 8-31-64<br>Pre-sunrise |
| Amendment<br>R&F | 1-30-63<br>3-28-63 | Amended to make changes in stockholders, stockholdings, officers and directors<br>Atty-Prince & Paul | | |
| BTC-4630<br>R &F | 9-18-64<br>9-21-64 | Voluntary relinquishment of positive control of permittee corp. by J. H. Lewis thru sale of stock by the permittee corp. to C.M. Taylor<br>Atty. - Ray Paul | GRANTED | 10-6-64<br>Eff: 2-26-65<br>ex. 323 |

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# APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters .....W.I.D.D.....

Name HOLSTON BROADCASTING CORPORATION
Elizabethton, Tennessee

| File No. | Dated | Application for | Action Nature | Action Date |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| BMP-11,343 R. & F. | 9-1-64 9-8-64 | Mod. of CP (BP-15,012, which auth. a new standard broadcast station) to change antenna-transmitter site from Johnson Avenue at Collins Public Rd., Elizabethton, Tenn. to Watauga Rd., 0.35 mi. West of US 19E, Elizabethton, Tenn., change studio location from same as transmitter to 604 E. Elk Ave., Elizabethton, Tenn., request remote control of transmitter from main studio, change type transmitter to Gates BC-1G, make changes in ground system. Atty: Prince & Paul Engr: Palmer A. Greer | GRANTED | 10-21-64 |
| BL-10,805 R. & F. PROC. TEST 11-10-64 | 11-2-64 11-3-64 | License to cover construction permit(BP-15,012) which authorized a new Standard broadcast station. Atty- Prince & Paul | GRANTED | 3-31-65 |

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# APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

1520kc

Call Letters WIDD

Name HOLSTON BROADCASTING CORPORATION
ELIZABETHTON, TENNESSEE

| File No. | Dated | Application for | Action Nature | Action Date |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| BR-4449<br>R & F | 4-21-67<br>5-2-67 | Renewal of license.<br>Atty: Prince & Paul | GRANTED | 8-17-67 |
| BZ-6849<br>R & F<br>DM<br>JUN 18 1968 | 4/30/68<br>5/2/68<br>5/15/68 | Direct Meas.<br>Atty: Ray R. Paul<br>Engr: Palmer A. Greer, Greenville, S. C. | GRANTED | 6-24-68 |
| BTC-6115<br>R & F<br>FEE PD:<br>(Form 316) | 11-14-69<br>12-5-69<br>$30 -#562053 | Voluntary acquisition of positive control of lic corp. by J.H. Lewis thru purchase of stock from Fred P. Davis<br>Atty - Ray Paul<br>AMENDED 1-9-70 - Bank ltr re loan | GRANTED<br>EFF: | 1-15-70<br>3-5-70 |
| BR-4449<br>R & F<br>$75 #598605<br>PRESS<br>PN Recd. | 5-1-70<br>5-4-70<br>"<br><br>5-4-70 | RENEWAL OF LICENSE<br>James I. Wilson, Atty. (Prince & Paul)<br>AMENDED 8-17-70 re: programming; commercial matter<br>AMENDED 12-4-70 re: commercial matter; programming<br>MAY 21 1970 | GRANTED | 12-18-70 |

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# APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters: W I D D

Name: WALTER A. CURTIS, TRUSTEE IN BANKRUPTCY
xxWALTER A. CURTIS, RECEIVER
x HOLSTON BROADCASTING CORPORATION
ELIZABETHTON, TENNESSEE

| File No. | Dated | Application for | Action Nature | Action Date |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| BR-4449<br>R & F<br>PN<br>PRESS<br>JUN 14 1973 | 4-28-73<br>5-3-73<br>5-3-73 | Renewal of License<br><br>Atty: Prince & Paul<br>AMENDED 1-7-74 re: community survey | GRANTED | 4-16-74 |
| BAL-8555<br>Rec<br>Filed<br>FEE PD: $100<br>and $100<br>CODE 047(INCLUDES FM)<br>(FORM 316)<br>NOV 24 1975 | 10-17-75<br>10-20-75<br>11-11-75<br>#490357<br>#497115 | Involuntary assignment of license to<br>WALTER A. CURTIS, RECEIVER | GRANTED<br>EFF:<br>NO FEE | 11/26/75<br>12/9/75 |
| BAL-8632<br>R & F<br>Code 047 (FORM 316)<br>Fee Pd $200<br>Includes FM<br>APR 6 1976 | 3/16/76<br>3/19/76<br>W 545711 | Involuntary assignment of license to WALTER<br>A. CURTIS, TRUSTEE IN BANKRUPTCY | GRANTED<br>EFF:<br>NO FEE: | 4/13/76<br>5-18-76 |

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# APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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Call Letters W I D D

8-65 METRO BROADCASTING CORPORATION
x Walter A. Curtis, Trustee in Bankruptcy

Name x WALTER A. CURTIS, RECEIVER
ELIZABETHTON, TENNESSEE

| File No. | Dated | Application for | Action Nature | Action Date |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| BR-4449<br>R & F<br>PN Recd.<br>PRESS<br>MAY 26 1976 | 3-29-76<br>4-1-76<br>" | RENEWAL OF LICENSE<br>C.M.Harrington,Atty.<br>AMENDED 6-11-76 re: engineering & change name of applicant to "Walter A. Curtis, Trustee in Bankruptcy" | GRANTED | 9/22/76<br>JUL 1 1976 |
| BAL-8747<br>R & F<br>FEE PD: $400 #595296<br>CODE 047(INCLUDES FM)<br>PN filed | 6-17-76<br>7-20-76<br>8/18/76 | Voluntary assignment of license to METRO BROADCASTING CORPORATION<br>Atty - Fisher, Wayland etc<br>AMENDED 9-22-76 - bank ltr re loan; home addresses | GRANTED<br>EFF: 10-1-76(12.01am)<br>FEE REQ: pd 10/6/76<br>W 621607 | 9/22/76<br>consummated 9-30-76 |
| BTC-8506<br>R & F<br>Also see WIDD-FM<br>FORM 316<br>NOV 8 1977 | 10/13/77<br>11/1/77 | Voluntary acquisition of negative control of lic corp by Each, H.E. Elliot and F.P. Davis thru purchase of stock from O.F. Surber<br>Atty - Fisher,Wayland,etc(Grover Cooper) | GRANTED<br>EFF: | 11-18-77<br>1-30-78 |

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PHASE 1 REFUND ACTION

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May 1976

# APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters WIDD

Name METRO BROADCASTING CORPORATION
Elizabethton, TN

| File No. | Dated | Application for | Action Nature | Action Date |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| BR790402CA<br>PRESS JUN 5 1979 | | Renewal of License<br>Atty. Clifford M. Harrington | GRANTED | 7-26-79 |
| BAL810818GU<br>Form 314<br>PRESS AUG 27 1981<br>Also see WIDD-FM | | Vol AL to Southern Signal Corporation<br>Atty. David Meyers | | |

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# 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.