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BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

W Q I Q Eff: 8-27-7

x W E E Z (EFF 11-15-59)

x W D R F (eff. 11-24-54)

Date first licensed 1-20-48 Call letters x W P W A

SEE CARD # 2 FOR NAME Location: Chester, Pennsylvania

xRADIO DEL-VAL, INC.(AL-10-4-65;EFF:10-23-65) (ID: CHESTER-ASTON, PENNSYL.)
xWDRF, INC., d/b as WEEZ (ML 2-18-60)
xWDRF,INC. (AL-9-2-59 EFF: 9-17-59
xEASTERN BROADCASTING COMPANY, INC. (AL 11-17-54 EFF: 11-24-54)

Name of licensee x LOU POWER

#12 Kent Road, Aston, PA (BS 7-2-75)
x"D" Street, Aston Mills, Pennsylvania (BP 5-3-73)

x Radio Park Lane, Brookhaven Borough, Pennsylvania (BP 1-30-64) Cancelled

Transmitter location Edgemont Road at Main Street, Chester, Pennsylvania. (M.P. 5-7-47)
(Lic. 1-20-48)

19014 #12 Kent Road, Aston, PA. (BS 7-2-75)

x"D" Street, Aston Mills, Pennsylvania (BP 5-3-73)

x 3300

Main studio location Edgemont Road at Main Street, Chester Pennsylvania. (M.P. 5-7-47)
(Lic. 1-20-48)

FCC-65

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From- To-
B2-P-4969	1-16-47	1590	1kw	Daytime	
CP for new station granted subject to filing MP for approval of T site and antenna - Order Issued					
B2-P-4969	5-7-47	1590	1kw	Daytime	7-7-47 1-7-48
BMP-2514	Mod. C.P. (4969) for approval antenna, change type transmitter and approval T & S sites.				
BL-2744	1-20-48	1590	1kw	Daytime	1-20 11-1-50
BZ-2583	Lic. to cover CP (4969 as mod) for a new station and determine operating power by direct method.				
BS-1810	7-12-48	STA to operate additional time from sign-off time daily, beginning 7-12-48 and continuing until the close of the Democratic National Convention in Philadelphia.			
BP-7265	1-11-50	1590	1kw-DA-N	Un	3-11 9-11-50
	CP to change hrs. of opr. and install DA for night use and mount FM antenna on SE AM tower. (COND. CL)				
BL-4067	7-3-50	1590	1kw-DA-N	U	7-3 11-1-50
	Lic. to cover CP(7265) to change hrs. of operation, install DA-N & mount FM antenna of SE AM tower. (CONDL. CLAUSE)				
BS-1810	10-30-50	Extension of license			11-1 3-1-51
BR-1810	2-21-51	1590	1kw-DA-N	U	2-21 11-1-53
Telegram	10-30-53	Action on renewal deferred 10-30-53 and continued operation authorized until final determination on renewal.			
BR-1810	3-31-54	1590	1kw-DA-N	U	3-31 8-1-54
Telegram	7-28-54	Action on renewal deferred 7-28-54 and continued operation authorized until final determination on renewal.			
BR-1810	8-12-54	Renewal of license			8-12 8-1-57
BAL-1889	11-17-54	Vol. assignment of license to Eastern			
EFF:	11-24-54	Broadcasting Company, Inc.			
BR-1810	7-25-57	1590kc.	1 kw. DA-N	U	8-1 8-1-60

Form BC 126
June 1954

Card #2

BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

EFF 11-15-59)
W E E Z (Ltr.11-10-59,

Date first licensed .....

Call letters x W D R F

Station location Chester, Pennsylvania

ROBE COMMUNICATIONS, INC.(AL 9-2-81, EFF:
x UPLAND BROADCASTING CORPORATION(AL gr 6/28/76 EFF: 8/24/76

Name of licensee x WDRF, INC.

Transmitter location See Card #1

Main studio location See Card # 1

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CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From- To-
BAL-3591 EFF:	9-2-59 9-17-59	Voluntary assignment of license to WDRF, Inc.			
BML-1871	2-18-60	1590kc	1kw,DA-N	U	2-18 8-1-60
	Mod. of license to change licensee name to WDRF, INC., d/b as WEEZ.				
BR-1810	7-20-60	Renewal of License			8-1 8-1-63
	7-24-63	COMMISSION DEFERRED ACTION ON RENEWAL PENDING FURTHER CONSIDERATION.			
BP-16062	1-30-64	1590kc	1kw-DA-N	U	3-30 9-30-64
	CP to change antenna loc. approx. 110' NE of present site, make changes in directional antenna system, move studio-transmitter building 650', and install a new transmitter (RCA BTA 1R).Cond'l.				
BMP-11,324 (1)	9-24-64	Mod. of CP(BP-16,062 as mod.) for extension of completion date to 3-30-65.			
BR-1810	11-13-64	Renewal of License			11-13 8-1-66
Ltr. dated 12-10-64 & rec'd 12-14-64 giving notification per Sect. 73.48(a)(5) Rules that a Gates BC-1C trans. is now installed & in oper.					
BAL-5553 EFF	10-4-65 10-23-65	Voluntary assignment of license to RADIO DEL-VAL, INC.			
TELEGRAM	10-17-67	PSA	500w		
TELEGRAM	2-2-68	OSA(REVISED) 1000w			
BP-18115	4-19-68	1590kc	1kw-DA-N	U	12-19-68
	CP to make changes in the night MEOV.				
BMP-12584 BMP-12607 (1)	1-6-69	MP(BP-18,115) ext. time To make changes in the night MEOV.			6-19-69
BR-1810 (1) BL-12339 EFF: 1810	7-31-69 8-1-69	Renewal of license, Mod. & NDEA.			8-1-72
BS-1018(1)	2-9-72	ML to redescribe Monitor points.			
EBSA	5-25-72				
BP-19,372	5-3-73	1590khz, 1kw DA-N U			5-3-74
	CP to chg. the antenna TL. & SL delete RC.				

BC-126
February 1974

#3

BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed .....

Call letters W E E Z

Station location Chester, Pa.

Name of licensee X RADIO DEL-VAL, INC.

Transmitter location .....

Main studio location .....

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From To
BMP-13,787(1)	5-29-74	MP(BP-19,378)		ext. time	to 11-1-74
BMP-13,885 (2)	11-26-74	MP (BP-19,378)		ext. time	to 3-1-75
BMP-13,956(3)	4-17-75	MP (BP-19,378)		ext. time	to 9-1-75
BS-1810(2)	7-2-75	ML chg SL and TL			
BMP-14,050 (4)	10-3-75	MP(BP_19,378 as mod.)		ext. time to 12-1-75	
BP-19,378(5)	12-2-75	Mod. of CP to correct coordinates			
BAPL-477	6/28/76	Vol APL EFF: 8/24/76			
BR-1810(L)	7-30-76	Renewal of License (Main & Aux.)			8-1-78
BL-14,066	8-9-76	Lic. to cover BP-19,378 as mod. for changes			
Ye Tel	8-27-76	Call letters chg. to W Q I Q			
BS-1810 (L)	9-21-76	Mod. to change call sign. change ground system; add Waiver of Section 73.114(A)(8) of the Rules			
BR-1810	9-26-78	(L) REN.OF LIC.(MAIN & AUX)			8-1-81
BR-1810 9-26-78 Superseded to correct term ending 8-1-81					
COMTEL	8-26-80	AU. GR. WQIQ, CHESTER, PENN. SUSPEND OPERATION THRU 11-30-80. NECESSARY MAINTAIN REQUIRED TOWER LIGHTING. ANY REQUEST FOR EXT. SILENCE AU. MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY REPORT OF SPECIFIC STEPS TAKEN TO RESUME OPERATION.			
COMTEL	12-12-80	AUTH. & TERMS COMTEL 8-26-80 EXT. THRU 2-28-81 PENDING FILING ASSIGNMENT APPLICATION.			
BAL810706HV	9-2-81		VOL AL	EFF:	

Form 94

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters: W P W A x NEW

Name: LOU POLLER
(P. O. 7942 Cedarbrook Street, Philadelphia, Penna.)

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
B2-P-4969 Rec'd Filed	6-25-46 6-25-46 6-25-46	Construction Permit for a new standard broadcast station to be operated on: Frequency: 1590 kc Power: 1kw Hours of Operation: Daytime only. Trans. Location: To be determined - near Chester, Penna. Studio Location: To be determined - Chester, Penna. (Filed by John Barron, Engr.)	DOCKET NO. 7970 Removed from Hearing an Granted 1-16-47 subject to filing MP for approval of T site and antenna Order Issued Issued with MP 2514	

RCA BTA-1L Transmitter

Form 94

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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Call Letters WPWA

Name LOU POLLER

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BMP-2514 Rec'd Filed	2-13-47 2-13-47 2-13-47	Mod. of C.P. (B2-P-4969, which authorized a new standard broadcast station) for approval of antenna, to change type of transmitter (Collins 20-K), and for approval of transmitter and studio locations at Edgemont Rd. at Main St., Chester, Pennsylvania. (Philip M. Baker, Atty.) ltr. 6-28-47	GRANTED	5-7-47

Form 94

#3

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters WPWA

Name LOU POLLER

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BL-2744 Rec'd Filed	10-15-47 10-16-47 10-16-47	License to cover C.P. (B2-P-4969, as mod.,) which authorized a new standard broadcast station.	GRANTED	1-20-48
		and		
BZ-2583 Rec'd Filed	10-13-47 10-16-47 10-16-47	Authority to determine operating power by direct measurement of antenna power.		
		(Philip M. Baker, Atty.)		
BP-7265 Rec'd Filed	6-8-49 6-16-49 6-16-49	Construction permit to change hours of operation from daytime to unlimited, using power of 1kw and install DA for night use only, and mount the FM antenna on the southeast AM tower. Philip M. Baker, Atty. Russell P. May, Engr.	GRANTED subj. (1) blanketing cl. (2) action not to be construed as approval of FM antenna for use by FM sta. except upon approval by Com. of appropriate applic. for FM CP (3) re properly designed phase monitor being installed. (4) re field measuring equip.	1-11-50

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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters WPWA

Name LOU POLLER

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BL-4067 Rec'd Filed	5-19-50 5-23-50 5-23-50	License to cover C.P. (BP-7265) which authorized change hours of operation, using power of 1kw and install DA for night use only and mount FM antenna on the southeast AM tower. (Philip M. Baker, Atty.) (Russell P. May, Engr)	GRANTED re blanketing clause; re field meas. equipment;	7-3-50
BR-1810 Rec'd	8-31-50 9-26-50	Renewal of license Filed by Philip M. Baker atty. ~~(Par. 7, Sec. I not ans. no prog. sche. & Sec. II not dated)~~	~~Ret'd~~ GRANTED	~~9-27-50~~ 2-21-51
BR-1810 Rec'd Filed	10-9-53 10-14-53 10-14-53	Renewal of License	Granted	3-31-54

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FORMERLY FCC FORM 94

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters WDRF XWPWA

Name EASTERN BROADCASTING COMPANY, INC. LOU POLLER

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BR-1810 Rec'd Filed	7-15-54 7-21-54 7-21-54	Renewal of License (Informal Request)	GRANTED	8-12-54
BAL-1889 Rec'd Filed	10-21-54 10-25-54 10-25-54	Voluntary assignment of license to Eastern Broadcasting Company, Inc. Phil Baker, Atty.	GRANTED EFF:	11-17-54 11-24-54
BP-10,722 Rec'd Filed	7-23-56 7-26-56 7-26-56	Construction permit to increase daytime power from 1kw to 5kw and install new transmitter. (Gates BC 5P) Atty. - Vincent B. Welch Engr. - A.D. Ring & Associates	Docket DENIED: Order issued.	12033 7-27-60

FORM BC-121 #6
AUG. 1955

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Name WDRF, INC. d/b as WEEZ
xEASTERN BROADCASTING COMPANY, INC.
CHESTER, PENNSYLVANIA

Call Letters WEEZ (11-15-59)
xWDRF

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BR-1810 Rec'd Filed	4-25-57 5-1-57 5-1-57	Renewal of license. Atty: Edward P. Morgan	GRANTED	7-25-57
BAL-3591 Rec'd Filed	8-5-59 8-7-59 8-7-59	Volunt ry assignment of license to WDRF, INC. McKenna & Wilkinson, Attys, (Vernon L. Wilkinson)	GRANTED EFF:	9-2-59 9-17-59
BML-1871 R & F	1-11-60 1-22-60	Modification of license to change licensee name to WDRF, INC. d/b as WEEZ. Atty's: McKenna & Wilkinson	GRANTED	2-18-60
BR-1810 Rec'd Filed	4-15-60 5-2-60 5-2-60	Renewal of License. Robert W. Coll, Atty.	GRANTED	7-20-60
BR-1810 R & F	4-30-63 5-2-63	Renewal of License Vernon L. Wilkinson, Atty.	GRANTED	11-13-64

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

FORM BC-121 #7 **APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING**
AUG. 1955

Call Letters W E E Z

RADIO DEL-VAL, INC.

Name x WDRF, INC. d/b as WEEZ
Chester, Pennsylvania

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BP-16,062 R. & F.	12-10-63 12-11-63	CP change antenna location approx. 110' NE of present site, make changes in directional antenna system, move studio-transmitter building 650' and install a new transmitter (RCA BTA-1R). Atty: McKenna & Wilkinson Engr: John H. Mulaney & Assoc.	GRANTED Cond'l re: Phase Mon., Field meas. equip., DA & non-DA proof. Cancelled	1-30-64
BMP-11,324 R&F	8-17-64 8-24-64	Mod of CP (BP-16,062 which auth install new trans; and chgs to DA-sys, and ant-trans and studio loc) for ext comple date from 9-30-64 to 3-30-65. Atty: McKenna & Wilkinson	GRANTED to Cancelled	9-24-64 3-30-65
BAL-5553 Rec'd Filed	8-5-65 8-5-65 8-24-65	Voluntary assignment of license to RADIO DEL-VAL, INC. for assignee - Cohn & Marks Atty for assignor - McKenna & Wilkinson	GRANTED EFF	10-4-65 10-23-65

FORM BC-121
AUG. 1955

#8

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

1590kc

Call Letters WEEZ

Name RADIO DEL-VAL, INC.
Chester, Penna.

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BR-1810 R & F	5-2-66 5-2-66	Renewal of license Atty- Cohn & Marks Supplemental Application filed as amendment	GRANTED (Issued with BL-12339) EFF. 5-2-69	7-31-69 8-1-69 (over)
BP-18,115 R. & F. #403728 $30 APR 15 1968	1-29-68 1-29-68 1-29-68	CP to make changes in the night MEOV. atty-Marcus Cohn (Joel H. Levy) engr-John Creutz	GRANTED	4-19-68
BL-				
BMP- Rec'd #445422 $30 Refund $30 AUG 7 1968	7-19-68 7-19-68 7-19-68 8-7-68	MP (BP-18,115) to make changes in DA system. atty-Marcus Cohn (Roy Perkins) engr-Gautney & Jones	Returned Unnecessary	8-7-68

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BR-1810 Filing fee $75 submitted 5-2-69 #511829
with supplemental application ret'd 5-9-69
(Unnnecessary)

AMENDED 6-30-69 re: commercial matter

FORM BC-121 #9
AUG. 1955

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

1590kc

Call Letters W E E Z

Name Radio Del-Val, Inc.
Chester, Pa.

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BMP-12,584 R. & F. #470430 $30 DEC 1 -	11-1-68 11-5-68 11-5-68	MP(BP-18,115) to make changes in the night MEOV. atty-Marcus Cohn (Joel H. Levy) engr-Charles Smith	GRANTED (Issued with BMP-12607)	1-6-69
BMP-12,607 R. & F. #478262 $30 JAN 6 1969	12-13-68 12-13-68 12-13-68	MP(BP-18,115) for extension of completion date 6-19-69 (changes). atty-Marcus Cohn (Roy F. Perkins, Jr.)	GRANTED to (Issued with BMP-12584)	1-6-69 6-19-69
BL-12,339 Rec'd #440937 $30 AMENDED:R&F Filed PT MAY 7 1969	7/3/68 7/3/68 7/3/68 4/17/69 4/17/69 4/25/69	License (BP-18,115 as mod.)make chng. night MEOV. $30 paid 4/17/69 refunded 5/5/69 #506918 Re engr. data Engr: Charles Smith Atty: Joel H. Levy	GRANTED (Issued with BR-1810) EFF.	7-31-69 8-1-69

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#10

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

1590kc

Call Letters WEEZ

Name RADIO DEL-VAL, INC.
Chester, Pennsylvania

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BR-1810 R & F P.N. PRESS MAY 31 1972	5-2-72 5-3-72 5-3-72	Renewal of License Atty: Robert B. Jacobi AMENDED 5-22-72 re: Balance Sheet AMENDED 8-1-72 re: programming AMENDED 6-11-75 re: litigation (over)	GRANTED	7-30-76
BP- 19,378 Rec'd Filed $50-136791 AC-060	12-6-72 12-15-72 12-15-72 12-15-72	Construction permit to change the antenna-transmitter site to "D" Street, Aston Mills, Pennsylvania. 39° 52' 39" 79° 27' 22" Atty. Robert B. Jacobi	GRANTED	5-3-73

Amended 12-20-72 re financial qualifications.
Amended 2-26-73 re Engineering study.
Amended 3-9-73 re patters.
Amended 4-9-73 re Change main studio location to "D" St., Aston Mills, Pa. delete remote control location and change type transmitter to Gates, BC-1H.

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(BR-1810) SUPPLEMENTAL APPLICATION filed 4-1-75 as an amendment to pending renewal. PN 5-5-75 MAY 21 1975

AMENDED 8-8-75 re: programming

AMENDED 8-28-75 re: programming

AMENDED 9-22-75 re: programming

AMENDED 3-9-76 re: agreement for the sale of station WEEZ

AMENDED 4-29-76 re: assignment of lic. on file

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#11

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

1590khz

Call Letters W E E Z

Name Radio Del-Val, Inc.
Chester, Pa.

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BMP-13,787 R & F $50-309339 AC-056 PRESS:	5-1-74 5-2-74 5-3-74 10 1974	MP(BP-19,378) ext. time to _____. (Changes) Atty: Robert B. Jacobi	GRANTED TO	5-29-74 11-1-74
BMP-13,885 R & F $50-360501 AC-056 PRESS NOV	10-25-74 11-1-74 11-1-74 4 1974	MP(BP-19,378) ext. time to 3-1-75. (Changes) Atty: Robert B. Jacobi	GRANTED TO 3-1-75	11-26-74
BMP-13,956 R & F $50-397867 $50-405612 AC-056 APR	2-27-75 3-3-75 3-3-75 3-25-75 1 1975	MP(BP-19378), as mod.) ext. of completion date to_____(changes) Atty: Robert B. Jacobi	GRANTED TO	4-17-75 9-1-75

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#12

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters: W E E Z

Name: UPLAND BROADCASTING CORPORATION
xRadio Del-Val, Inc.
Chester, Pa.

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BMP-14,050 R & f $100-469968 AC: 001 Pressl SEP 8 1975	8-27-75 8-28-75 8-28-75	Mod. of CP (BP-19378 as mod.) for ext. of completion date to ----------. (changes) Atty: Robert B. Jacobi	GRANTED to	10-3-75
BAPL-477 R & F FEE PD: $200 #559514 CODE 047 AMENDED PN filed	4-17-76 4-21-76 13 MAY 1976 4-29-76 6/1/76	Voluntary assignment of license and CP (BP-19378, as mod. which auth. a chge in site & chges in DA system) to UPLAND BROADCASTING CORPORATION additional financial data. Atty for assignor - Cohn & Marks for assignee - R.B. Lubic	GRANTED EFF: FEE REQ:	6/28/76 8/24/76 pd 9/1/76 W 608568

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W0684568 Seller's 1/2 Grant Fee

PHASE 2 REFUND ACTION

Paid To: Ernest Tanner
Radio Del-Val, Inc.

TRANS. CODE	DATE
533	810130

AMT.	INITIALS
$457.77	D.H.G.

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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

1590khz.

#13

UPLAND BROADCASTING CORPORATION

Name X RADIO DEL-VAL, INC.
Chester, Pennsylvania

Call Letters W Q I Q / x W E E Z

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BL-14,066	11-11-75	Lic. to cover BP-19,378 as mod. for changes		
R & F	11-13-75	Transmitter: Harris BC-1H1		
$100#498063	11-14-75			
Amend	4-9-76	partial proof of performance		
PTA	4-30-76	Atty: Robert B. Jaobi (Cohn and Marks)	GRANTED	8-9-76
PRESS	MAY 28 1976			
Amend	4-28-76	- engr. data		
Amend	7-20-76	additional engr. data		
BR-1810	4-3-78	RENEWAL OF LICENSE (MAIN & AUXILIARY)		
R & F	4-4-78			
PRESS	APR 24 1978	Atty. Robert B. Jacobi (Cohn & Marks)		
			GRANTED	9-26-78
LTR. DATED	10-23-78	Filed by Robert B. Jacobi, Esq. for UPLAND BROADCASTING CORPORATION, for Dual City Identification as: "CHESTER-ASTON, PENNSYLVANIA".	GRANTED	3-5-79
	NOV 22 1978			

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

#14

APPLICATION RECORD-BROADCASTING

1590 KHz

Call Letters: W Q I Q

Name: ROBE COMMUNICATIONS, INC.
~~UPLAND BROADCASTING CORPORATION~~

Station Location: Chester, PA

File No.	Date	Description	Action and Date
BR810331VT PRESS MAY 26 1981		Renewal of License Atty.: Martin I. Levy	gtd 7-7-81 ISSUED
BAL810706HV Form 314 PRESS JUL 10 1981		Vol AL to Robe Communications, Inc. Atty for assignor Martin I. Levy Atty for assignee Daniel M. Redmond	GRANTED 9-2-81 EFF:

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March 1979

W E E Z

~~W P W A~~ - RECORD OF DENIAL OF INFORMAL APPLICATIONS

Telegram - 7-12-48 to operate additional time from 9:00 pm EST, to conclusion of baseball game July 30, 1948

Ltr. 5-25-49 informing Senator Edward Martin on behalf of WPWA that request to permit WPWA to extend their normal b/c period from 8:30 pm until 12:00 midnight on nights of June 7 and 8, 1949, cannot be granted. STA's discontinued.

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.