KNGN

BC-126
June 1975

FREQUENCY MODULATION

BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed 7-27-78

Call letters KMGN 10-11-79 ~~K~~ QEZ

Station location Shafter, CALIFORNIA

Name of licensee BRANDON-DORSEY COMMUNICATIONS, INC.

Transmitter location NW corner of the intersection of Seventh Standard Road and Beach Dr. approx 3.5 mi. S of Shafter, California (PH-6-27-77)

Main studio location SAME AS TRANSMITTER

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From-- To-
BPH-9766 HAAT: 300' (h&v) (L)	6-27-77	97.7mhz #249 CP for new FM broadcast station	ERP: 3kw(h&v) U (RC) Class-A		6-27-78
BPH-9766(1)	8-29-77	CALL LETTERS & EBSA ASSIGNED			
EBSA	10-11-79	chg. call			
BLH-7782 (L)	7-27-78	Lic.(BPH-9766)	NEW STATION		12-1-80
BRH-800729UU	(S) 11-17-80	Renewal of License			12-1-83

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September 1969

APPLICATION RECORD · BROADCASTING

Call Letters KQEZ
xNEW-FM

Name Brandon-Dorsey Communications, Inc.
Shafter, California (PO %Anthony S. Brandon, 3300 Bessemer-Brighton Pike, Bessemer, Alabama 35020)

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BPH-9766	1-29-76	CP for New FM on: 97.7mhz #249	GRANTED	6-27-77
R & F	1-30-76	ERP: 3KW(H&V) HAAT: 300' (H&V)		
#524290 $200	2-2-76	Trans: RCA BTF-3E1; Ant: RCA BFH-3A, 3 sects. (H&V)		
Code 001				
Press	MAR 5 1976	TL-SL-RC: NW corner of the intersection of Seventh Standard Road and Beach Drive, approximately 3.5 miles south of Shafter, California		
P. N. Rec'd	3-12-76			
		35° 26' 32" - 119° 15' 38"		
		(MAJOR ENVIRONMENTAL ACTION UNDER SECTION 1.1305) (MUTUALLY EXCLUSIVE WITH BPH-9542) Atty: Richard F. Kennedy Engr: Smith & Powstenko		
AMENDED	2-20-76	Certified copies of the By-Laws of the Corporation and a loan commitment letter.		
AMENDED	3-4-76	Environmental Impact Statement.		

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May 1976

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters KMGN XKQEZ XNEW-FM

Name Brandon-Dorsey Communications, Inc.
Shafter, California

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BPH-9766 continued AMENDED	9-29-76	Financial and demographics, community leader and General Public Surveys		
Amended	1-17-77	Section II		
	4-25-77	JOINT PETITION FORDISMISSAL OF APPLICATION AND APPROVAL OF AGREEMENT FOR REIMBURSEMENT OF EXPENSES		
	5-24-77	SUPPLEMENT TO JOINT PETITION FILED BY RICHARD KENNEDY ON BEHALF OF APLPLICANT		
	6-16-77	SUPPLEMENT TO JOINT PETITION FILED BY RICHARD KENNEDY ON BEHALF OF APPLICANT		
BLH-7782	2-18-78	License (BPH-9766) for New Station.	GRANTED	7-27-78
R & F	2-21-78	Antenna: Phelps Dodge CFM-LP 3, 3 sections (H&V)		
PTA:	2-28-78			
PRESS: JUN 13 1978		Trans: Harris 2.5H-3		
		Atty: Richard F. Kennedy (Putbrese and Kennedy)		

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

6-6-78 SUPPLEMENT TO PETITION FOR REVOCATION OF CALL SIGN AND ISSUANCE OF NEW CALL SIGN
FILED BY THUNDERBIRD BROADCASTING COMPANY THROUGH ITS ATTORNEY RICHARD F. KENNEDY

#3

97.7 MHz

APPLICATION RECORD-BROADCASTING

Call Letters: KMGN

Name: BRANDON-DORSEY COMMUNICATIONS, INC.

Station Location: Shafter, California

File No.	Date	Description	Action and Date
BTCH800625GE Form 315 PRESS JUL 21 1980 PN FILED	7-24-80	Vol TC from Anthony S. Brandon to Lawrence Brandon, Christine Stonbely and Terry Dorsey Atty David M. Hunsaker	DISMISSED 11-5-80 per Sec. 1.568(a)
BRH800729UU PRESS SEP 22 1980		Renewal of License Atty.: David M. Hunsaker AMENDED 11-12-80 re: Comm. Leader Checklist, ascert. of comm. needs & problems, programming & EEO	Granted 11-17-80

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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.

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.