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June 1954 Official No. 1294

BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed 3-26-62

Call letters WFBG-FM

Station location Altoona, Pennsylvania

Name of licensee THE GILCOM CORPORATION (ALH 9-20-72; EFF: 10-27-72)
XTRIANGLE PUBLICATIONS, INC. (RADIO AND TELEVISION DIVISION) (BPH-4-8-59)

Transmitter location Wopsononock Mountain, Altoona, Pennsylvania

Commerce Park, 5000-6th Avenue, Altoona, Pennsylvania

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Main studio location X 1320 11th Avenue, Altoona, Pennsylvania

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Channel & Freq.	ERP. Power	Time Div.	Period From To
BPH-2602 HAAT:1,020'	4-8-59	98.1 mcs. Ch. 251	33-kw. TPO:5-kw.	U	6-8-59 12-8-59
Construction permit for a new FM broadcast station.					
BMPH-6077 (1)	11-30-59	To extend completion date to 5-1-60			
BMPH-6226 (2)	4-29-60	Mod. of CP(BPH-2602 as mod.) for extension of completion date to 9-1-60			
BMPH-6319 (3)	6-24-60	Mod. CP(BPH-2602) to change antenna.			
BMPH-6390 (4)	9-1-60	Ext. completion date to			10-31-60.
BLH-1683 HAAT: 1020	3-26-62	98.1mcs. Ch.251	30-kw TPO:5-kw	U	3-26 8-1-63
License to cover CP(BPH-2602 as mod.) for a new station.					
BRH-1294	7-31-63	Renewal of license			8-1 8-1-66
BPH-4504 HAAT:1020'	3-16-65 (H&V)	98.1mcs Ch.#251	ERP:30kw(H);29kw(V) TPO:10kw	U	5-16-65 11-16-65
CP to install new trans. (ITA FM-10,000D) & dual polarized ant. (Jampro J7/7V, 7 hor, & 7 vert. secs.); chg. ant. sys. (incr. hght.); incr. TPO; and show vert. ERP & vert. HAAT.					
BMPH-8452 (1)	9-10-65	Mod. of CP(BPH-4504) to chg. ant(Jampro JA8/7V, 8 Horizontal and 7 Vertical sections)			
BLH-3055 HAAT: 1020'	12-20-65	98.1mcs CH.#251	ERP:30kw(H);29kw(V) TPO:10kw	U	12-20 801-66
Lic to coger CP(BPH-4504 as mod) which auth install new trans & ant chg ant-sys incr TPO & show ERP & HAAT					
BRH-1294	7-29-66	Renewal of license			8-1 8-1-69
BSCA-781	7-10-67	Subsidiary Communications Authorization on a multiplex basis of 25,40,55 & 70kcs.			
BMSCA-220	11-21-67	Mod. of SCA to change sub-carrier freqs. to 24.25kcs, 39.75kcs, 55.25kcs, and 70.75kcs.			

Form BC 126
June 1954 #2

BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed .....

Call letters W F B G

Station location Atoona, Pennsylvani

Name of licensee XTRIANGLE PUBLICATIONS, INC. (RADIO AND TELEVISON DIVISION)

Transmitter location Wopsononock Mountain, Altoona, Pennsylvania

Main studio location Commerce Park, 5000-6th Avenue, Altoona, Pennsylvania

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From- To
BRH-1294(S)	7-31-69	Renewal & NDEA			8-1-72
BRSCA-781	7-31-69	Renewal			8-1-72
BPH-7299 HAAT: 1020	11-9-70 (h&v) CP install new ant, chg. TPO, chg vert. ERP & operate with vert. HAAT.	98.1mc Ch#251	ERP: 30kw(h&v) TPO: 8.9kw		1-9 11-9-71
BLH-3037 (L)	3-15-71	Lic.(BPH-7299) for changes.			8-1-72
EBSA	5-25-72				
BALH-1702	9-20-72	Vol. ALH			
BRH-1294(L)	10-31-72	RENEWAL			8-1-75
BRH-1294(S)	7-25-75	Renewal of license			8-1-78
BRH-1294(L)	7-12-78		RENEWAL		8-1-81
BSCA780802AG	9-14-78	SCA on 67 kilohertz.			8-1-81
BTCH800222BY	4-24-80	VOL. TC	EFF:		6-20-80

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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters ~~new~~ WFBG-FM

Name TRIANGLE PUBLICATIONS, INC. (Radio and Television Division) Station Loc. - Altoona, Penna.
(P.O. - Robert W. Clipp(vice pres), 46th & Market Sts., Philadelphia, Penna)

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BPH-2602 Rec'd Filed	1-31-59 2-2-59 2-2-59	Construction permit for a new FM broadcast station to be operated on: Frequency - 98.1 mc CH 251 ERP - 32.5 kw Type transmitter - RCA BTF 5B Type antenna - Andrew 1308-2 (8 section) HAAT 1020 ft Trans. location - Wopsononock Mountain Altoona, Penna. Studio location - 1320 11th Avenue Altoona, Penna. Atty. - Lyon, Wilner & Bergson Engr. - Kear & Kennedy	GRANTED ERP:	4-8-59 33-kw

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APPLICATION RECORD · BROADCASTING

Name TRIANGLE PUBLICATIONS, INC. (Radio and Television Division)

Call Letters WFBG-FM

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BMPH-6077 R & F	11-4-59 11-6-59	Modification of C. P. (BPH-2602 which authorized a new FM broadcast station) for extension of completion date from 12-8-59 to 5-1-60. Atty's: Lyon, Wilner & Bergson	GRANTED to	11-30-59 5-1-60
BMPH-6226 R & F	3-24-60 3-30-60	Modification of C. P. (BPH-2602 as modified which authorized a new FM broadcast station) for extension of completion date from 5-1-60 to 9-1-60. Atty's: Lyon, Wilner & Bergson	GRANTED to	4-29-60 9-1-60
BMPH-6319 R & F	6-2-60 6-6-60	Modification of C. P. (BPH-2602 as modified which authorized a new FM broadcast station) to change type antenna (Jampro-JA-8) Atty's: Lyon, Wilner & Bergson	GRANTED	6-24-60

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Name TRIANGLE PUBLICATIONS, INC. (RADIO AND TELEVISION DIVISION)
Altoona, Pennsylvania

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BMPH-6390 R & F	8-16-60 8-18-60	Modification of C. P. (BPH-2602 as modified which authorized a new FM broadcast station) for extension of completion date from 9-1-60 to 10-31-60 Atty's: Lyon, Wilner & Bergson	GRANTED	9-1-60
BLH-1683 R & F	10-4-60 10-6-60	License to cover C. P. (BPH-2602 as modified) for a new FM broadcast station.	GRANTED	3-26-62
~~BMPED-3920~~ ~~R & F~~	~~6-12-62~~ ~~6-18-62~~	~~Modification of C.P. (BPED-4900 which authorized a new FM B/C station) for extension of completion date from 7-20-62 to 5-30-62~~		
BRH-1294 R & F	4-26-63 5-1-63	Renewal of license. Atty: Wilner & Bergson	GRANTED	7-31-63

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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters WFBG-FM

Name TRIANGLE PUBLICATIONS, INC. (RADIO AND TELEVISION DIVISION)
ALTOONA, PENNSYLVANIA

File No	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BPH- 4504 Rec'd Resub'd Filed Amended R & F	4-22-64 5-28-64 7-7-64 7-7-64 7-22-64 7-24-64	CP to install new trans (ITA-10,000D); chg ant-sys (incr height); incr TPO to 10kw and install polarized ant (Jampro-J7/7V, 7 sect) with ERP of 32.5kw(H)-&-31.15kw(V). Atty: Wilmer & Bergson Amended to change ERP to 30.1kw(H) & 28.9kw'V)	~~Ret'd 6-29-64 re excess max power for Zone 1~~ GRANTED	 3-16-65
BMPH-8452 R&F	8-17-65 8-20-65	Modification of CP (BPH-4504 which authorized install new trans and dual polarized ant, change ant system, and change TPO, ERP, and HAAT) to change ant (Jampro-JA8/7V, 8 horizontal and 7 vertical sections), and increase horizontal ERP to 32.5kw and vertical ERP to 31.15kw. Atty: Wilner & Bergson	GRANTED	9-10-65

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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters W F B G-FM

Name TRIANGLE PUBLICATIONS, INC.(RADIO AND TELEVISION DIVISION)
Altoona, Penna.

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BLH-3055 R & F	10/23/65 10/26/65	Lic. to cover CP (BPH-4504 as mod.) which auth. install new trans. & ant., chng. ant.-system, incr. TPO and show vert. ERP & HAAT. Attys: Wilner & Bergson	GRANTED	12-20-65
BRH-1294 R & F	5-2-66 5-2-66	Renewal of license Atty Wilner & Bergson	GRANTED	7-29-66
BSCA-781 R & F	3-1-67 3-2-67	Request for Subsidiary Communications Authorization on a subcarrier frequencies of 25, 40, 55 and 70 kilocycles. Attys - Wilner, Scheiner & Greeley (John R. Wilner)	GRANTED	7-10-67
BMSCA-220 R & F NOV 2 2 1967	10-23-67 10-25-67	Modification of Subsidiary Communications Authorization to change sub-carrier frequencies to 24.25kc, 39.75kc, 55.25kc, and 70.75 kcs. Attys - Wilner, Scheiner & Greeley	GRANTED	11-21-67

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Name TRIANGLE PUBLICATIONS, INC. (RADIO AND TELEVISION DIVISION)
ALTOONA, PENNSYLVANIA

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BRH-1294	4-28-69	Renewal of license	GRANTED	7-31-69
BRSCA-781	4-18-69	" " (SCA)		
R & F	4-30-69	Atty-Wilner, Scheiner & Grieeley		
"	4-24-69	AMENDED 7-15-69 re: Programming		
#510856 $105	4-30-69			
PRESS	MAY 14 1963			
BPH-	10-7-70	CP install new Ant(Shively Labs-6810, 8 horiz.	RETURNED	10-19-70
Rec'd:	10-12-70	& vert. sects); chg. TPO: 8.30kw; chg. horiz.	(Not in compliance with	
#636505 $50	10-12-70	& vert. ERP: 32.5kw; operate with vert. HAAT:	Section 73.211(d) of	
CODE: 061 [redacted]		1,020 feet.	the commission's rules	
PRESS: OCT [redacted]				
		Atty - John R. Wilner		
		Engr- ----		

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September 1969

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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters WFBG-FM

Name X TRIANGLE PUBLICATIONS, INC. (RADIO AND TELEVISION DIVISION)
Altoona, Pennsylvania

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BPH-7299 R & F #638743 $50 CODE: 061 PRESS: NOV 4 1970	10-23-70 10-26-70 10-26-70	CP install new Ant(Shively-Labs-6810, 7 horiz & vert. sects); chg. TPO: 8.76kw; chg. vert. ERP: 30kw; & operate with vert. HAAT: 1020 ft. Atty - John R. Wilner	GRANTED	11-9-70
BLH-5037 R & F #657218 $50. AC-068 PTA PRESS FEB 16 1971	1-11-71 1-18-71 1-18-71 1-29-71	Lic.(BPH-7299) for changes. Atty: Wilner, Scheiner & Greeley	GRANTED	3-15-71
BRH-1294 R & F PN PRESS MAY 16 1972	4-7-72 5-3-72 5-3-72	Renewal of License Atty-John R. Wilner AMENDED 10-27-72 to change name of applicant to "The Gilcom Corporation"	GRANTED	10-31-72

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September 1969

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APPLICATION RECORD · BROADCASTING

98.1mc

Call Letters W F B G-FM

Name THE GILCOM CORPORATION
X TRIANGLE PUBLICATIONS, INC. (RADIO AND TELEVISION DIVISION)
Altoona, Penna.

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BALH-1702 DASCA R & F FEE PD: $1000 #086787 (ALSO SEE AM) CODE 049 Pub. notice filed 7-17-72 JUL 13 1972	6-28-72 6-28-72	Voluntary assignment of license and * SCA to THE GILCOM CORPORATION *(SCA NOT RENEWED) Atty - Wilner, Scheiner & Greeley	GRANTED FOR GRANT FEE SEE WFBG-TV EFF: 10-27-72	9-20-72
BRH-1294 R & F P. N. Rec'd Press APR 15 1975	3-21-75 3-25-75 3-25-75	Renewal of License. Atty: John R. Wilner	GRANTED	7-25-75
BRH-1294 R & F PRESS APR 27 1978	3-17-78 3-30-78	RENEWAL OF LICENSE	GRANTED	7-12-78

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May 1976

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters W F B G-FM

Name THE GILCOM CORPORATION
Altoona, Pennsylvania

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BSCA-780802AG PRESS: SEP 11 1978		Request for Subsidiary Communications Authorization on a subcarrier frequency of 67 kilohertz. Atty: John R. Wilner	GRANTED	9-14-78
BTCH-800222EY FORM 315(ALSO SEE AM) PRESS: MAR 4 1980		Vol TC from Leonard S. Fiore, Sr. & Mary E. Fiore; Glucroft Corporation, Paul K.Vipond, Edward T. Giller, et al(all stockholders) to Edward T. Giller (100%) Atty - John R. Wilner	GRANTED EFF:	4-24-80 6-20-80
BRH810330UM BRSCA810330UM PRESS MAY 26 1981		Renewal of License Renewal of SCA Atty.: John R. Wilner	gtd.	7-7-81 ISSUED

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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.