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BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

SEE CARD 2 FOR NAME

Date first licensed November 26, 1951

Call letters X W A T O (2-20-59) / W O K E

Location: Oak Ridge, Tennessee

xWATO, INC. (AL 4-28-67 EFF: 5-31-67
xRADIOACTIVE BROADCASTING, INC. (BAL 5-4-59)
X WOKE, INC. (AL 10-23-57; EFF: 11-1-57)

Name of licensee x AIR MART CORPORATION.

112 Eastburn Lane, Oak Ridge, Tennessee (Redescription 6-30-72).
x122 East Eastburn St., Oak Ridge, Tennessee (Redescription)

Transmitter location x170 ft. E of the end of East Eastburn Lane in East Village, Oak Ridge, Tennessee (MP 8-24-51) Lic. 11-26-51

112 Eastburn Lane, Oak Ridge, Tennessee (Redescription 6-30-72).
x113 Eastburn Lane, Oak Ridge, Tenn. (Ltr. 9-12-69)
37830 x 253 Main Street, East, Oak Ridge, Tennessee (Ltr. 2-3-59)

58, Eff: 8-11-7

x170 ft. E. of the end of East Eastburn Lane in East Village, Oak Ridge, Tenn. (Ltr. 8-22-/

Main studio location x Oak Terrace, Robertsville Rd., Grove Center, Oak Ridge, Tennessee (MP 8-24-51) Lic. 11-26-51

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CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From-- To--
BP-7899	5-29-51	1430	1kw	Day	
	Ltr. 6-5-51 CP for a new station granted subj. to filing MP for approval of site and antenna.				
BP-7899) BMP-5634)	8-24-51	1430	1kw (COND'L CLAUSE)	Day	10-24 4-24-52
	CP for a new standard broadcast station and MP for approval ant., TXS sites				
BL-4549	11-26-51	1430	1kw (COND'L CLAUSE)	Day	11-26 8-1-52
Lic. cover CP 7899 as mod., for a new standard broadcast station					
BZ-3381	3-26-52	1430	1kw (COND'L CLAUSE)	Day	3-26 8-1-52
Determine operating power by direct measurement					
TELEGRAM	7-14-52	Action on renewal deferred 7-2-52 and continued operation authorized until final determination on renewal			
BR-2670	10-1-52	1430 kc	1kw (Cond Clse)	Day	10-1 8-1-55
BP-8287 &	11-5-52	1290kc	1kw	Day	1-5-53 7-5-53
	CP to change frequency				
BL-5050	7-1-53	1290	1kw	Day	7-1-53 8-1-55
	Lic. cover CP(8287) to change frequency				
BMP-6148	11-25-53	1290kc,	500w-1kw DA-N	Un	1-25-54 7-25-54
	CP to increase hours of operationto unlimited using 500w power night, install DA for nighttime operation make changes in antenna system and change trans. location (Geog. coord. only) (C.C.)				
BMP-6557 (1)	7-2-54	Mod. of CP (MP-6148) for extension of completion date to September 28, 1954			
BL-5435	10-26-54	1290kc	500w,1kw-LS (DA-N)	Un	10-26-54 8-1-55
Lic. cover CP(BMP-6148, as mod.) which authorized increase in hours of operation, install DA for nighttime operation, make changes in antenna system and change transmitter location (Coordinates only).					

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BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

#2

Date first licensed .....

Call letters WATO ~~XWOKE~~

Name of licensee RAU RADIO STATIONS, INC. (AL gr 12/8/76 EFF: 12/31/76

Transmitter location .....

Main studio location .....

FCC-65

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From-- To--
BR-2670	7-27-55	RENEWAL OF LICENSE			8-1 8-1-58
BRC-978 (1)	6-13-56	Modification of license to operate transmitter by remote control from Oak Terrace, Robertsville Road, Grove Center, Oak Ridge, Tennessee, while using non-directional antenna.			
BAL-2796 EFF:	10-23-57 11-1-57	Voluntary assignment of license to WOKE, Inc.			
BR-2670	7-16-58	1290	500w-1kw	Un	8-1 8-1-61
BTC-2977 EFF: Carter M. Farham to	1-14-59 1-19-59	Voluntary transfer of control of licensee corporation from Arthur D. Smith, Jr. and WATO, Inc. (Cond'l)			
BML-1808 (1)	5-4-59	Mod. of license to change name of licensee to RADIO-ACTIVE BROADCASTING, INC.			
BS-2670 Eff:	6-23-60 2:00am 4-3-60	1290kc	500w-1kw DA-N	U	6-23 8-1-61
		Mod. of license to change from the Central Standard Time Zone to the Eastern Standard Time Zone.			
BR-2670	7-20-61	Renewal of license			8-1 8-1-64
BP-13833	6-27-62	1290kc	500w-5kw-LS DA-2	U	8-27 2-27-63
		CP to increase daytime power to 5kw and install a new transmitter (GATES BC-5P-2) change from DA nighttime only to DA night & day (DA-2) (Cond'l).			
BMP-10,743 (1)	2-1-63	Mod. of CP (BP-13,833) for extension of completion date to			7-1-63
BS-2670 (1)	3-14-63 (Memo)	Mod. of license to change monitor point location in the direction of 139.5° true.			
BMP-10939 (2)	6-21-63	Mod. of CP(BP-13833 as mod.) for extension of completion date to 9-1-63.			
BMP-11007 (3)	9-27-63	Mod. of CP(BP-13833 as mod.) for ext. of completion date to 11-1-63.			

Form BC 126 #3
June 1954

BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed .....

Call letters ...W A T Q.....

Station location .....

Name of licensee RADIO-ACTIVE BROADCASTING, INC.

Transmitter location .....

Main studio location .....

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From	To
BMP-11072 (4)	12-6-63	Mod. of CP(BP-13,833 as mod.) for extension of completion date to 1-1-64.				
BR-2670	7-10-64	RENEWAL OF LICENSE			8-1	8-1-67
BL-10,388	8-27-64	1290kc	500,5kw,LS, U	DA-2	8-27	8-1-66
		Lic to cover CP(BP-13,833 ad mod.) which auth. incr. daytime power, install new trans., change to DA-2.				
BS-2670 (1)	5-28-65	Mod. of license to add Monitoring Point for daytime (Memo). 49.5° true N.				
BAL-6016 EFF:	4-28-67 5-31-67	Voluntary assignment of license to WATO, INC.				
BR-2670 condl	7-18-67	1290kc	500w,5kw	DA-2 U	8-1	8-1-70
		Renewal of NDEA				
BTC-5579	3-21-68	Vol. TC				
BS-2670(1)	12-16-68	re antenna sys. & oper. specs. (Memo)				
Ltr.	2-12-69	Studio: 113 Eastburn Lane, Oak Ridge, Ten				
BR-2670(L)	7-30-70	RENEWAL & NDEA			8-1-73	
BP-19,172	4-6-72	1290kc, 500w, 5kw		U DA-2	4-6-73	
		CP to make changes in the daytime directional pattern.				
EBSA	5-25-72					
BP-19,172	4-6-72	Superseding authorization to correct completion date.				
BL-13,317(L)	12-22-72	Lic(BP-19,172)for changes			8-1-73	
BR-2670	9-20-73	Renewal & modification			8-1-76	
BTC-7545	9-26-74	VOL. TC EFF: 12-31-74				
BR-2670(S)	7-14-76	RENEWAL			8-1-79	
BAL-8853	12/8/76	Vol AL EFF: 12/31/76				
BS-2670(L)	7-11-78	Mod.Lic. chg. opera specs & sampling system.			8-1-79	

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BROADCASTING STATION HISTORY RECORD

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First licensed SEE CARD # 1

Call Letters W A T O

Station Location

SEE CARD #1

Name

Transmitter Location

Main studio location

Form BC-126
December 1978

Authorization Record

File No.	Granted	Facilities	Expires
BR790323UK(s)	7-26-79	RENEWAL OF LICENSE	8-1 82

FCC Form 94

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters WATO XWCXE

Name AIR MART CORPORATION
(P.O. c/o Harry C. Weaver, P.O. Box 391, Oak Ridge, Tennessee)

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BP-7299 Rec'd Filed	11-7-50 11-13-50 11-13-50	Construction permit for a new standard broadcast station to be operated on: Frequency: ~~[illegible]~~ 1430kc Power: ~~[illegible]~~ 1kw Hours of Operation: ~~Unlimited~~ Daytime Prens. Location: To be determined Oak Ridge, Tennessee Studio Location: To be determined Oak Ridge, Tennessee Harry J. Daly, Atty., Ralph J. Bitzer, Engr. St. Louis, Missouri.	GRANTED subj. to approval antenna. Ltr. 6-5-51 Issued with MP-5634	5-29-51 filing MP for of site and
AMENDED Rec'd Filed	3-28-51 4-2-51 4-2-51	AMENDED to change frequency from 1450kc to 1430kc, change power from 250w to 1kw; change hours of operation from unlimited to daytime and change type of transmitter (GATES BC-1F).		

FCC Form 94 #2 **APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING**

Call Letters W.O.K.E.

Name AIR MART CORPORATION

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BMP-5634 Rec'd Filed	6-30-51 7-3-51 7-3-51	Modification of construction permit(BP-7899 which authorized a new standard broadcast station) for approval of antenna, transmitter location as 170 ft. east of the end of East Eastburn Lane in East Village, Oak Ridge, Tennessee; Specify main studio location Oak Terrace Robertsville Road, Grove Center, Oak Ridge, Tennessee. Harry J. Daly, atty.	GRANTED Cond'l re	8-24-51 blanketing

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FCC Form 94

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters WOKE

Name AIR MART CORPORATION

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BL-4549 Rec'd Filed	9-24-51 9-24-51 9-24-51	License to cover construction permit (BP-7899, as mod.) which authorized a new standard broadcast station Harry J. Daly, atty.	GRANTED Cond'l re	11-26-51 blanketing
BP-8287 Rec'd Filed	10-23-51 10-23-51 10-23-51	Construction permit to change hours of operation from daytime to ~~unlimited using power of 1kw and installation of DA-N.~~ Fred O. Grimwood, Engr. Ralph J. Bitzer, (	GRANTED	11-5-52
See card #4 for amendment.				
BZ-3381 Rec'd Filed	3-12-52 3-12-52 3-12-52	Authority to determine operating power by direct measurement of antenna power. Harry J. Daly, Atty.	GRANTED Cond'l re	3-26-52 blanketing

FORM A-170 #4
FORMERLY FCC FORM 94

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters WOKE

Name AIR MART CORPORATION

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BR-2670 Rec'd Filed	4-30-52 5-29-52 5-29-52	Renewal of License Filed by Harry J. Daly, atty.	GRANTED	10-1-52
BP-8287 cont'd. from card #3				
AMENDED Rec'd Filed	10-14-52 10-14-52 10-14-52	AMENDED to change frequency from 1430kc to 1290kc; and change power from 1kw Unlimited, DA-N, to 1kw daytime only, non-DA.		

FORM A-170 #5
FORMERLY FCC FORM 94

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters WOKB

Name AIR MART CORPORATION

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BMP-6148 Rec'd Filed	2-27-53 2-27-53 2-27-53	Modification of construction permit (BP-8287, which auth. change in frequency) to change hours of operation from daytime to unlimited, install directional antenna for nighttime use, make changes in antenna system, and change transmitter location (geographical coordinates only). Harry J. Daly, Atty. John H. Mullaney, Engr.	GRANTED re submit measurements re trans; phase monitor; field measureing equip. and complete non-DA and DA proof. Issued as CP	11-25-53
AMENDED Rec'd Filed	6-10-53 6-10-53 6-10-53	AMENDED to change nighttime power to 500w; make changes in directional antenna pattern; make changes in antenna system and change transmitter location (geographical coordinates only).		
AMENDED Rec'd Filed	7-29-53 7-31-53 7-31-53	AMENDED to make changes in directional antenna system.		

FORM A-170 #5a

FORMERLY FCC FORM 94

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters WOKE

Name AIR MART CORPORATION

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BMP-6148 (CONTINUED)			SEE CARD	#5 FOR ACTION
AMENDED	10-2-53	AMENDED to make changes in directional antenna system.		
Rec'd	10-5-53			
Filed	10-5-53			

FORM A-170 #6

FORMERLY FCC FORM 94

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters WOKE

Name AIR MART CORPORATION

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BL-5050 Rec'd Filed	3-17-53 3-18-53 3-18-53	License to cover construction permit (BP-8287) which authorized change in frequency. Harry J. Daly, Atty. Phil Hedrick, Engr.	GRANTED	7-1-53
BMP-6557 Rec'd Filed	6-11-54 6-14-54 6-14-54	Modification of construction permit (BMP-6148 which auth. increase hours of operation to unlimited using 500w power night, install DA for nighttime operation make changes in antenna system and change transmitter location (geograph. coordinates only) for extension of completion date from 7-25-54 to 9-28-54.	GRANTED	7-2-54
BL-5435 Rec'd Filed	8-18-54 8-24-54 8-24-54	License to cover construction permit (BMP-6148) which authorized increase hours of operation using 500w night, install DA nighttime, make changes in antenna system and change trans. location, Coordinates only Harry J. Daly, Atty.	GRANTED	10-26-54

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FORM A-170
FORMERLY FCC FORM 94

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Name WOKE, INC.
xAIR MART CORPORATION

Call Letters WOKE

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BR-2670 Recd Filed	5-3-55 5-3-55 5-3-55	Renewal of license Harry J. Daly, Atty	GRANTED	7-27-55
BRC-978 Rec'd Filed	6-1-56 6-4-56 6-4-56	Modification of license to operate transmitter by remote control from Oak Terrace, Robertsville Road, Grove Center, Oak Ridge, Tennessee, while using non-directional antenna. Harry J. Daly, Atty.	GRANTED	6-13-56
BAL-2796 Rec'd Filed	9-6-57 9-13-57 9-13-57	Voluntary assignment of license to WOKE, Inc. D. F. Prince, Atty., Assignee Harry J. Daly, Atty., Assignor	GRANTED Eff:	10-23-57 11-1-57

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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters WATO
WOKE

Name WOKE, INC.
Oak Ridge, Tennessee

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BR-2670 Rec'd. Filed	4-12-58 5-5-58 5-5-58	Renewal of license. D.F. Prince, Atty.	GRANTED	7-16-58
BTC-2977 Rec'd. Filed	11-25-58 12-2-58 12-2-58	Voluntary transfer of control of licensee corporation from Arthur D.Smith,Jr. and Carter M.Parham to WATO,Inc. D.F.Prince, Atty for Transferors Arthur H.Schroeder, Atty.for Transferees.	GRANTED EFF: (Cond'l)	1-14-59 1-19-59
BML-1808 Rec'd Filed	3-27-59 4-6-59 4-6-59	Modification of License to change name of licensee to Radio-Active Broadcasting, Inc. Arthur H. Schroeder, Atty.	GRANTED	5-4-59

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FORM BC-121 #9
AUG. 1955

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters W.A.T.O.

Name RADIO-ACTIVE BROADCASTING, INC.
Oak Ridge, Tennessee

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BP-13,833 Rec'd Filed SEE AMENDMENT BELOW	1-12-60 1-20-60 1-20-60	Construction Permit to increase daytime power from 1kw to 5kw and install a new transmitter (Gates BC-5-P-2) Atty.- Miller & Schroeder Engr.- Lynne C. Smeby	GRANTED Cond'l re: Phase Mon., Field meas. equip., DA & non-DA proof. D-14419 Section 3.87 of the Comm. Rules.	6-27-62
BR-2670 Rec'd Filed	4-25-61 4-28-61 4-28-61	Renewal of license Miller & Schroeder, Attys.	GRANTED	7-20-61
BP-13833 (cont'd) DOCKET # 11255 AMENDMENT Rec'd Filed(ORDER) (amended & removed)	3-3-62 3-6-62 3-27-62	AMENDED to change from directional antenna nighttime only to directional antenna night & day (DA-N to DA-2)	GRANTED	6-27-62

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

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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters WATC

Name RADIO-ACTIVE BROADCASTING, INC.
Oak Ridge, Tennessee

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BMP-10,743 R. & F.	1-2-63 1-3-63	Mod. of CP (BP-13,833 which auth. incr. day power and install new trans.; chg to DA day and night.) for extension of completion date from 2-27-63 to 7-1-63. ATTY: Arthur H. Schroeder	GRANTED	2-1-63
BMP-10,939 R. & F.	6-10-63 6-11-63	Mod. of CP (BP-13,833 as mod., which auth. increase day power; install new trans.; chg to DA-2) for extension of completion date from 7-1-63 to 9-1-63. Atty: Arthur H. Schroeder	GRANTED to	6-21-63 9-1 -63
BL-10,388 Rec'd Resub. Filed	9-3-63 9-4-63 11-12-63 11-13-63	Lic to cover CP(BP-13,833 as mod) which auth incr. daytime power, install new trans, chg to DA-2. Atty- John P. Bankson, Jr. (Miller & Schroeder(	RETURNED-9-6-63- Engineering Incomplete GRANTED condl re presunrise precluded	8-27-64

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FORM BC-121 #11
AUG. 1955

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters WATO

Name RADIO-ACTIVE BROADCASTING, INC.
OAK RIDGE, TENNESSEE

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BMP-11,007 R & F	8-27-63 8-29-63	Mod. of CP (BP-13,833 as mod., which auth incr day power, chg to DA-2 and install new trans) for ext. of completion date from 9-1-63 to 10-1-63. Atty: Arthur H. Schroeder	GRANTED to	9-27-63 11-1-63
BMP- received	9-16-63 9-17-63	Mod. of CP (BP-13,833 as mod., which auth chgs to day power, DA sys & install new trans) for ext. of completion date from 9-1-63 to 11-1-63.	Ret'd unnecessary	10-25-63 re
BMP-11,072 R & F	10-22-63 10-24-63	Mod. of CP (BP-13,833 as mod, which auth incr daytime power, chg to DA-2 & install new trans) for ext. of completion date from 11-1-63 to 1-1-64. Atty: Arthur H. Schroeder	GRANTED to	12-6-63 1-1-64

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

FORM BC-121 # 12
AUG. 1955

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

(1290kc)

Call Letters WATO

WATO, INC.
Name ~~RADIO-ACTIVE BROADCASTING, INC.~~
Oak Ridge, Tennessee

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BR-2670 Rec'd Filed	4-22-64 5-1-64 5-1-64	Renewal of license Attys: Miller & Schroeder	GRANTED	7-10-64
BAL-6016 R & F	3-13-67 3-15-67	Voluntary assignment of license to WATO, INC. Atty for assignor - Arthur Schroeder for assignee - Marcus Cohn	GRANTED EFF:	4-28-67 5-31-67
BR-2670 R. & F.	4-27-67 5-2-67	Renewal of license. atty-Miller and Schroeder AMENDED 6-6-67 to change name of licensee to WATO, Inc.	GRANTED condl re presunrise precluded	7-18-67
BTC-5579 R & F (Form 316) MAR 13 1968	2-29-68 2-29-68	Voluntary transfer of control of lic. corp. from Henry Rau, Lloyd E. Smith et al, to Dover Broadcasting Company Atty - Marcus Cohn	GRANTED	3-21-68

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FORM BC-121 #13
AUG. 1955

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters WATO

Name WATO, INC.
Oak Ridge, Tennessee

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BR-2670 R&F #598637 $75 PN PRESS	4-30-70 5-4-70 MAY 28 1970	Renewal of License Atty-Stanley S. Neustadt	GRANTED	7-30-70
BP-19,172 Rec'd Filed $50-035108 AC-060 PRESS: APR 9 1972	1-24-72 1-24-72 1-24-72 1-24-72	Construction permit to make changes in the daytime directional pattern. Atty. Stanley S. Neustadt	GRANTED	4-6-72
BL-13,317 R & F W 108401-$50. PTA PRESS	9-12-72 9-12-72 9-12-72-AC-067 9-21-72 NOV 14 1972	Lic.(BP-19,172) for changes. Atty: Cohn and Marks(Stanley S. Neustadt)	GRANTED	12-22-72

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

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Form BC-121
September 1969

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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters WATO

Name WATO, INC.
OAK RIDGE, TENNESSEE

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BR-2670 R & F PN Recd. PRESS MAY 1 1973	4-23-73 5-3-73 "	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Ian D. Volner, Atty. (Cohn & Marks)	GRANTED	9-20-73
BTC-7545 Rec'd Filed Fee: $250 047 348248 Press: SEP 30 1974 (See also WUUU)	9-20-74 92-3-74 9-23-74	Voluntary transfer of control of licensee corporation from Dover Broadcasting Company to Rau Radio Stations, Inc. Stanley S. Neustadt, Atty.	GRANTED EFF:	9-26-74 12-31-74
BR-2670 R &F PN RECD PRESS:	3-29-76 4-1-76 4-1-76 MAY 25 1976	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Atty: Richard A. Helmick	GRANTED	7-14-76

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May 1976

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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Call Letters W A T O

Name RAU RADIO STATIONS, INC.
xxWATO, INC.
OAK RIDGE, TENNESSEE

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BAL-8853 R & F Fee pd $400 Includes WUUU(FM), WDOV(AM) & WBSD(FM) Code 047 (FORM 316) DEC 6 1976	11/22/76 11/23/76 W 640053	Voluntary assignment of license to RAU RADIO STATIONS, INC. Atty - Cohn & Marks(Stanley Neustadt)	GRANTED EFF: NO FEE:	12/8/76 12/31/76
BR 790323 UK PRESS JUN 12 1979		RENEWAL OF LICENSE	GRANTED	7-26 79

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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 one set is known to 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.