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BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed 5-31-60

Call letters W G G O

Station location Chicago Heights, Illinois

Name of licensee SOUTH COOK BROADCASTING, INC.

(BP-2-25-59)

Transmitter location ~~1.5 miles east of city limits on Joe Orr Road, Chicago Heights, Illinois~~

3313 Chicago Road, South Chicago Heights, Ill. (BML 2-18-75)

x 119 Olympia Plaza, Chicago Heights, Ill. (BL-5-31-60

(BP-2-25-59)

Main studio location ~~1.5 miles east of city limits on Joe Orr Road, Chicago Heights, Illinois~~

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From	Period To
BP-11787	2-25-59	1600kc	1kw,DA-D	Day	4-25	10-25-59
	CP for a new standard broadcast station (Cond'l)					
BL-7522	5-31-60	1600kc	1kw-DA	Day	5-31	12-1-61
	Lic. to cover cp(BP-11787) which authorized a new standard b/c station, and specify studio location as 119 Olympia Plaza, Chicago Heights Illinois.					
BRC-1796 (1)	6-22-61	Mod. of license to operate transmitter by Remote Control from 119 Olympia Plaza, Chicago Heights, Illinois.				
	11-29-61	Action on Renewal Deferred.				
BR-3850	12-1-61	1600kc	1kw DA	Day	12-1	12-1-64
BR-3850	12-1-64	Renewal of License			12-1	12-1-67
TELEGRAM	10-17-67	PSA	500w			
BR-3850	11-24-67	Renewal of License			12-1	12-1-70
BR-3850(S)	11-25-70	RENEWAL			12-1-73	
PSA	6-12-72					
BR-3850(L)	11-14-74	RENEWAL			12-1-76	
BML-2533(L)	2-18-75	ML to chg. SL & RC point outside city limits.				
TELEGRAM	2-26-76	PSA	322 watts			
BR-3850(S)	9-21-77	RENEWAL			12-1-79	
BR-790731UW BZ-9795 (L)	1-31-80	Renewal Of License and Direct Measurement			12-1-82	

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AUG 1955

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters NEW W C G O

Name SOUTH COOK BROADCASTING, INC.
(P.O. - Anthony Santucci, 164 East 23rd St., Chicago Heights, Ill.)

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BP-11,787 Rec'd Filed	12-27-57 1-6-58 1-6-58	Construction permit for a new standard broadcast station to be operated on: Frequency - 1600kc Power - 1kw DA-D Hours of operation - Daytime Trans. location - ~~Sauk-Trail-Road-at-C.M.-St.-P.&P.-tracks~~, ~~South~~ Chicago Heights, Ill. Studio location - Same as transmitter Atty. - Gabriel J. Aprati, Chicago Hghts, Ill. Engr. - Walter F. Kean, Riverside, Ill.	GRANTED Cond'l re: Phase Mon.; Field meas. equip.; DA & non-DA proof	2-25-59
AMENDMENT R & F	12-13-58 12-15-58	AMENDED to change antenna-trans. & studio location to 1.5 mi E of city limits on Joe Orr Road, Chicago Heights, Illinois and change type transmitter (GATES BC 1T)		
AMENDMENT R & F	1-23-59 1-26-59	Atty- Eugene L. Burke AMENDED to make changes in DA system(decr. hght)		

~~COLLINS-GOV~~ GATES BC1T

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AUG. 1955

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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Name SOUTH COOK BROADCASTING, INC.

Call Letters WCGO

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BP-11787 (Continued re protest) * PROTEST AND PETITION FOR RECONSIDERATION filed 3-27-59 by Pfaff, Secty., WNMP (Atty.Becker) MOTION TO DISMISS PROTEST filed 4-6-59 by Burke for applicant OPPOSITION TO PROTEST AND PETITION FOR REHEARING filed 4-6-59 by Burke for applicant BRIEF IN SUPPORT OF PETITION TO DISMISS AND OPPOSITION TO PROTEST filed 4-6-59 by Burke for a pplicant *PROTEST AND PETITION DISMISSED 4-22-59 - MEMO OPINION & ORDER ISSUED PETITION FOR RECONSIDERATION filed 5-25-59 by Becker for WNMP MOTION TO DISMISS, and OPPOSITION TO, PETITION FOR RECONSIDERATION filed 63-59 by Burke for applicant				
BL-7622 Rec'd Filed	8-20-59 8-21-59 8-21-59	License to cover construction permit (BP-11,787) which authorized a new standard broadcast station and specify studio location as 119 Olympia Plaza, Chicago Heights, Ill. Eugene L. Burke, Atty. Walter F. Kean, Engr.	GRANTED	5-31-60

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

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AUG. 1955

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters WCGO

Name SOUTH COOK BROADCASTING, INC.
Chicago Heights, Illinois

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BRC-1796 Rec'd Filed	1-17-61 1-23-61 1-23-61	Modification of license to operate transmitter by Remote Control from 119 Olympia Plaza, Chicago Heights, Illinois.	GRANTED	6-22-61
BR-3850	8-28-61	Renewal of License. Atty: Eugene L. Burke	GRANTED	12-1-61
BR-3850 Rec'd Filed	8-19-64 8-27-64 8-27-64	Renewal of license Eugene L. Burke, Atty.	GRANTED	9-16-65
BR-3850 R. & F. SEP 28 1967	8-21-67 9-5-67	Renewal of license. atty-Eugene L. Burke	GRANTED 1-24	11-24-67

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

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September 1969

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters WCGO

Name SOUTH COOK BROADCASTING, INC.
CHICAGO HEIGHTS, ILLINOIS

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BR-3850 R & F PN Recd. PRESS SEP 30 1970	8-7-70 9-2-70	RENEWAL OF LICENSE	GRANTED	11-25-70
BR-3850 R & F P.N. PRESS	8-18-73 9-4-73 9-4-73 26 SEP 1973	Renewal of License Atty.: Eugene L. Burke	GRANTED	11-14-74
BML-2533 R & F $50-370074 AC-056 DEC 1 1974	11-21-74 12-4-74 12-4-74	Modification of license to change main studio location and remote control point outside city limits to 3313 Chicago Road, South Chicago Heights, Illinois Atty: Eugene L. Burke(Prince & Paul)	GRANTED	2-18-75

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

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1600 kc

Form BC-121
May 1976
12-60

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters W C G O

Name SOUTH COOK BROADCASTING, INC.
CHICAGO HEIGHTS, ILLINOIS

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BR-3850 R & F PN Recd. PRESS	7-10-76 7-30-76 " AUG 31 1976	RENEWAL OF LICENSE E.L.Burke,Atty.	GRANTED	9-21-77
BZ-9795 R & F DM PRESS AUG 8	10-19-76 9-12-77 1979	Direct Measurement	GRANTED issused with RENEWAL	8-17-79
BR1790731UW PRESS SEP 5 1979		Renewal of License Atty.: Eugene L. Burke	GRANTED issused with BZ-9795	1-31-80

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

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.