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BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed 3-31-52

Call letters W.C.H.Y

Location: Ottawa, Illinois

Name of licensee THE VIRGINIA BROADCASTING CORPORATION(AL 10-20-71 EFF: 10-31-71)
x CARL H. MEYER

Transmitter location Towpath Road, Rutland Township, Ottawa, Ill. (MP 3-3-52, Lic. 3-31-52)
x 0.4 mi.S of intersection of U.S.Hwy.6 and Ill.Hwy.71, 2.1 mi.E of Court House, Ottawa, Illinois (CP 6-21-51)

Main studio location 216 West LaFayette Street, Ottawa, Illinois (BS-8-5-74
xLarson Building, 417 West Madison Street, Ottawa, Illinois (BRC 6-11-71)
x Towpath Road, Rutland Township, Ottawa, Ill. (MP 3-3-52, MR Lic. 3-31-52)
To be determined, Ottawa, Illinois (CP 6-21-51)

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CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From	Period To
BP-7504	6-21-51	1430	500w (COND'L CLAUSE)	Day	8-21	2-21-52
	CP for a new standard broadcast station					
BMP-5797	2-12-52	Mod. of CP 7504 for extension of completion date (COND'L CLAUSE)			8-21	4-21-52
BMP-5799	3-3-52	Mod. of CP 7504 as mod., to chg. type of T and extend C&C dates (COND'L)			5-3	11-3-52
BL-4687	3-31-52	1430	500w	Daytime	3-31	12-1-52
	Lic. to cover CP(7504 mas Mod.) for a new station					
BR-2701	11-12-52	1430kc	500w	Daytime	12-1	12-1-55
BR-2701	11-9-55	Renewal of license			12-1	12-1-58
WIRE	7-9-58	SIGN-OFF 7 PM CDST FOR PERIOD OF JULY 14 TO SEPTEMBER 30,1958 EXCEPT FOR SPECIAL EVENTS.				
	11-25-58	Commission deferred action on renewal pending further consideration.				
BR-2701	12-10-58	Renewal of license to			12-10	12-1-61
WIRE	5-1-59	Sign-off 6PM CST period ending 8-31-59 except for special events.				
WIRE	4-25-60	Sign-off 7PM CDST period 5-1 thru 8-31-60 except for special events.				
BR-2701	11-9-61	Renewal of license			12-1	12-1-64
BR-2701	11-9-64	Renewal of License			12-1	12-1-67
TELEGRAM	10-17-67	PSA	500w			
BR-2701	11-24-67	Renewal of License			12-1	12-1-70
BRC-3485	6-11-71	Mod. to chg. SL and operate by RC.				
NOT ISSUED. TO BE ISSUED WITH RENEWAL.						
BRC-3485 BR-2701	6-15-71	Renewal of License BRC-3485 issued with renewal.			6-15	12-1-73
BAL-7394	10-20-71	VOL. AL EFF: 10-31-71				
BBSA	6-12-72					
BR-2701(L)	11-28-73	RENEWAL				12-1-76
BS-2701(1)	8-5-74	ML to change SL and RC				
BTC-7699	8-27-74	VOL. TC EFF: 9-17-74				
BTC-7976	3/24/76	Vol rel of pos con EFF:			3/24/76	

BC-126
June 1975

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BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed .....

Call letters W.C.M.Y.....

Station location Ottawa, Illinois.....

Name of licensee .....

Transmitter location .....

Main studio location .....

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From	Period To
BR-2701(L)	11-15-76	Renewal of License			12-1-79	
BR790725UZ(S)	11-30-79	RENEWAL OF LICENSE			12-1-82	

FCC Form 94

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters WCHY x New

Name CARL H. MEYER
(PO 11460 Longwood Drive, Chicago 43, Illinois)

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BP-7504 Rec'd Filed	1-16-50 1-27-50 1-27-50	Construction permit for a new standard broadcast station to be operated on Frequency: 1430kc Power: ~~250w~~ 500w Hours of operation: Daytime Trans. location: ~~To be determined-Streator,~~ Illinois Studio location: To be determined-~~Streator,~~ Illinois	Docket No. 9656 GRANTED Hearing - Subj. field intensity survey be made and accepted prior to issuance of program tests. DECISION AND ORDER ISSUED	6-21-51 after
AMENDED Rec'd Filed	9-12-50 9-13-50 9-15-50	AMENDED to change power from 250w to 500w, change type of transmitter (Gates BC-500-D) and change transmitter and studio locations from To be determined, Streator, Illinois to .4 miles South of intersection of U. S. Highway #6 and Illinois Highway 71, 2.1 miles East of Court House, Ottawa, Illinois and To be determined, Ottawa, Illinois, respectively. George E. Strong, Atty.		

FORM A-170 #2

FORMERLY FCC FORM 94

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters WCMY X New

Name CARL H. MEYER

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BP-7504 (Cont'd). AMENDED Rec'd Filed	1-22-51 1-22-51 1-23-51	AMENDED to decrease antenna height.	See Card	#1 for action
* BMP-5799 Rec'd Resub. Rec'd Filed	1-8-52 1-11-52 1-29-52 1-31-52 1-31-52	Modification of construction permit (BP-7504 which auth. a new standard broadcast station) to change type of transmitter.(Gates BC-1F) Carl H. Meyer, Engr.	~~Returned 1-22-52 Inc. to file Section 1~~ GRANTED 3-3-52 and extended C&C dates Cond'l re field intensity	
BMP-5797 Rec'd Filed	1-20-52 1-22-52 1-22-52	Modification of construction permit (BP-7504, which auth. a new standard broadcast station) for extension of completion date from 2-21-52 to 4-21-52.	Granted Cond'l re field intensity survey	2-12-52
*AMENDED Rec'd. Filed	1-26-52 1-28-52 1-28-52	AMENDED to specify studio location as Towpath Road, Rutland Township, Ottawa, Illinois and redescribe transmitter location.		

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FORM A-170 #3
FORMERLY FCC FORM 94

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters WCMY

Name CARL H. MYER
OTTAWA, ILLINOIS

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BL-4487 Rec'd Filed	2-22-52 2-28-52 2-28-52	License to cover construction permit (BP-7204, as modified) which authorized a new standard broadcast station.	GRANTED	3-31-52
BR-2701 Rec'd Filed	8-25-52 9-2-52 9-2-52	Renewal of License	GRANTED	11-12-52
BR-2701 Rec'd Resub'd Rec'd Filed	8-29-55 9-2-55 8-29-55 10-3-55 10-3-55	Renewal of License	~~Returned 9-21-5~~ ~~not signed~~ GRANTED	11-9-55
BR-2701 Rec'd & Filed	8-20-58 9-3-58	Renewal of License	GRANTED	12-10-58
BR-2701 R & F	9-1-61 9-6-61	Renewal of License	GRANTED	11-9-61
BR-2701 R.&F.	8-27-64 9-31-64	RENEWAL OF LICENSE	GRANTED	11-9-64

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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

1430kc

Call Letters W C M Y

Name CARL H. MEYER
Ottawa, Illinois

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BR-2701 R & F SEP 25 1967	8/30/67 9/5/67	Renewal of license	GRANTED	11-24-67
BR-2701 R & F PN Recd. PRESS OCT 8 1970	8-21-70 8-28-70	RENEWAL OF LICENSE	GRANTED BRC-3485 issued with renewal.	6-15-71
Annual filing fee $192.00 11-6-70 & 2-1-71 #642638 &661076. Credit $144.00 to 1971 fees.				
BRC-3485 Rec'd Filed #647490 $50 Acc. 067 P	11-10-70 11-13-70 12-3-70 12-3-70	Mod. of license to change main studio location and operate transmitter by remote control from Larson Building, 417 West Madison Street, Ottawa, Illinois.	GRANTED Not issued. To be issued with renewal.	6-11-71

Form BC-121 #5
September 1969

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

1430kc

Call Letters WCMY

Name THE VIRGINIA BROADCASTING CORPORATION
x CARL H. MEYER
Ottawa, Illinois

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BAL-7394 R & F FEE PD: $1000 #023914 CODE 047 Pub. notice filed 8-9-71 AMENDED 9-22-71 re: no overlap data and programing	8-5-71 8-12-71	Voluntary assignment of license to THE VIRGINIA BROADCASTING CORPORATION (SEE OVER) Atty - Cohen & Berfield	GRANTED Req. grant fee$4,500.00 EFF: Grant Fee paid 048 W 017061	10-20-71 10-31-71 11-5-71
BR-2701 R & F P.N. PRESS	8-27-73 9-4-73 9-4-73 24 SEP 1973	Renewal of License Atty.: Morton L. Berfield	GRANTED	11-28-73
BTC-7499 R & F FEE PD: $250 #329534 CODE 047 (FORM 316) ALSO SEE WPRC (AM,FM) AUG 29 1974	7-12-74 7-25-74	Voluntary acquisition of positive control of lic corp by Richard K. Holt thru purchase of stock from the Estate of F.M. Webb (deceased) Atty - Cohen & Berfield	GRANTED EFF:	8-27-74 9-17-74

RE: BAL-7394 - Assignee is licensee of WPRC, Lincoln, Ill.
AMENDED10-15-71 statement re news programming

PHASE 1 REFUND ACTION

WCMY-

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DATE
9/23/80

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(filing) 583.00
(grant) 4500.00

(awarded to Va. B/C Corp. per auth letter.)

Form BC-121
September 1969

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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

1430khz

Call Letters WCMX

Name THE VIRGINIA BROADCASTING CORPORATION
OTTAWA, ILLINOIS

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BTC-7976 R & F See WPRC(AM) for fee pd Code 047 (FORM 316) Also see WPRC-FM	3/4/76 3/9/76	Voluntary relinquishment of positive control of lic corp by R.K. Holt thru sale of stock to R.E. Fister and T.D. Parker Atty - Cohen and Berfield	GRANTED EFF: NO FEE:	3/24/76 3/29/76
BR-2701 R & F P.N. Press OCT 1 1976	7-20-76 7-28-76 7-28-76	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Atty: Morton L. Berfield (Cohen & Berfield) AMENDED 11-8-76 re: EEO	Granted	11-15-76
BR790725UZ PRESS SEP 14 1979		Renewal of License Atty. Morton L. Berfield	GRANTED	11-30-79

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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.