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FREQUENCY MODULATION

BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

W L J E(EFF: 5-1-71)

Date first licensed January 11, 1968

Call letters W-A-K-E-FM

Station location Valparaiso, Indiana

Name of licensee PORTER COUNTY BROADCASTING CORPORATION

Transmitter location on State Rd 49, 4 mi North of Valparaiso, Ind. {PH 1-28-77}
xSager Rd., 1.7 miles south of, Valparaiso, Indiana(MPH-6-14-67)
x1.6 mi. W. of Division Rd., Wanatah, Indiana(PH-11-9-66)

Main studio location Sager Rd, 1.7 mi. S. of city, Valparaiso, Indiana(PH-11-9-66)

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From To
BPH-4972 HAAT: 300' cond'l	11-9-66	105.5mc. ch# 288	ERP: 3kw TPO: 650w	Unl.	1-9-67 7-9-67
	CP For a new FM broadcast station with RC.				
BPH-4972 (1)	12-30-66	Mod. of CP(BPH-4972) to assign call letters W A K E-FM.			
BMPH-9390 HAAT: 235' Cond'l	6-14-67 (h&v)	105.5mc. ch# 288	ERP: 2.70kw(h&v) TPO: 1kw (RC)	Un	1-9-67 7-9-67
	Mod. of CP(BPH-4972) to chg. ant-trans & operate by RC from studio location; chg. type trans (Collins-830D-1A); chg. type ant.(Collins-37CP-6, 6 sections); incr. TPO; decr. ERP(h&v); & decr. HAAT;				
BMPH-9537 (1)	8-22-67	Mod. of CP(BPH-4972 as mod.) for ext. of completion date to			10-1-67
BLH-3829 HAAT:235'(h&v)	1-11-68	105.5mc ch#288	ERP:2.7kw TPO:1kw (RC)	Unl.	1-11 8-1-70
		Lic. to cover CP(BPH-4972 as mod,)			
BRH-2129(S)	7-31-70	Renewal			8-1-73
EBSA	5-22-72				
BRH-2129(L)	8-17-73	RENEWAL			8-1-76
BRH-2129 {s}	9-23-76	Renewal of License			8-1-79
BPH-10168 HAAT: 400' {L}	1-28-77 H&V	105.5MHz CP chg TL, ERP, HAAT, {incr hght}	ERP: 1.6kw		H&V U {RC} Ant sys 1-28-78
BSCA-1737	6-27-77	SCA on 67 kilohertz			8-1-79
BLH-7560 HAAT: 400'	3-14-78 (H&V)	105.5MHz #288	ERP: 1.6kW(H&V) (RC)	U	8-1-79
	Lic. (BPH-10168) for changes.				
COMTEL	3-15-78	TRANS: 310Z-2	COLLINS 830D-1A mod. w/COLLINS exciter now installed		
BRH790323UL BRSCA "	7-26-79	RENEWAL OF LICENSE (S)			8-1-82

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Aug. 1955

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters WLJE -W-A-K-E-FM

Name PORTER COUNTY BROADCASTING CORPORATION
VALPARAISO, INDIANA (PO % LEONARD J. ELLIS, RADIO STATION WAYK, PO BOX 149, VALPARAISO, INDIANA 46383)

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BPH-4972 R.&F.	5-26-65 5-28-65	Construction permit for a new FM broadcast station to be operated on: Frequency: 105.5mc CH 288 ERP: 3kw TPO: 0.85kw HAAT: 300' Trans.: GATES FM-1C (1kw) Antenna: GATES FMA-4, 4 sections Trans. Loc: 1.6 miles West on Division Road Wanatah, Indiana Studio Loc: Sager Road, 1.7 mi. S. of Valparaise, Indiana Remote Control Point: WAYK main Control, Sager Road, 1.7 mi. S. of Valparaise, Indiana Attys: Midlen and Harrison Engr. E. Harold Munn, Jr., Coldwater, Mich.	GRANTED cond'l AFTER HRG	11-9-66 Sect. 73.210(a) of Comm. Rules. Waived DOCKET 16627
AMENDED R.&F.	1-18-66 1-24-66	Amended to chg. directors & request waiver of Sect. 73.210 of Rules.		

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Aug. 1955

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters W A K E-FM

Name PORTER COUNTY BROADCASTING CORPORATION
VALPARAISO, INDIANA

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BMPH-9390 R & F	4-26-67 3-1-67	Modification of CP(BPH-4972 which authorized a new FM b/c station) to chg. ant-trans & studio location to 1.7 miles south on Sager Road, Valparaiso, Indiana; & operate RC from studio location; chg. type trans(Collins-830D-1A); chg. type ant.(Collins-37CP-6, 6 sects); incr. TPO to 1kw; decr. ERP to 2.75kw(h&v) & decrease HAAT to 234 feet. Engr. E. Harold Munn, Jr. Coldwater, Michigan	GRANTED Cond'l approval	6-14-67 re prior for AM use.
BMPH- 9537 Rec. Filed AUG 17 1967	9-20-67 6-22-67 8-4-67	Mod. of CP(BPH-4972 as mod., which authorized a new FM b/c station) for extension of completion date from 7-9-67 to 9-1-67. as mod.	GRANTED to	8-22-67 10-1-67
BLH-3829 R & F PTA-10/2/67	9/22/67 9/25/67 DEC 21 1967	Lic. to cover CP (BPH-4972) which auth. a new FM broadcast station. Engr: E. Harold Munn, Jr.	GRANTED	1-11-68

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Form BC-121
September 1969

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters WLJE

Name PORTER COUNTY BROADCASTING CORPORATION
Valparaiso, Indiana

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BRH-2129 R & F $597504 $75 PN PRESS MAY 5 1970	4-29-70 4-30-70 4-30-70	Renewal of license AMENDED 2-16-70 re: programming; commercial policy	GRANTED	7-31-70
BRH-2129 R & F PRESS P.N. MAY 1973	4-30-73 5-2-73 6-7-73	Renewal of License	GRANTED	8-17-73
BRH-2129 R& F PN Recd. PRESS APR 28 1976	3-26-76 3-29-76 "	RENEWAL OF LICENSE AMENDED 5-6-76 re: engineering	Granted	9-23-76

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May 1976

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters WLJE

Name Porter County Broadcasting Corporation
Valparaiso, Indiana

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BPH-10,168 R & F $ 100-574253 AC:001 PRESS: PN REC'D $100-612778 AC:001	5-18-76 5-25-76 6-1-76 SEP 23 1976 9-15-76	CP to chg. TL to: 4 mi. north of city on St. Rd., 49, Valparaiso, Indiana ERP: 1.6KW(H&V)HAAT:400' (H&V) make chg. ant. system (incr. hghgt) 41o 32' 02" 87o 01' 53" Atty: ----- Engr: Harold Munn (Coldwater, Michigan)	August 9, 1976 Sections 73.207 and 73.213(f)(1) WAIVED and application accepted GRANTED	1-28-77
BSCA-1737 R & F PRESS	6-14-77 6-21-77 JUN 23 1977	Request for Subsidiary Communications Authorization on a subcarrier frequency of 67 kilohertz Atty--	GRANTED	6-27-77
BLH-7560 R & F PIA PRESS	9-16-77 9-27-77 10-6-77 DEC 8 1977	Lic. (BPH-10168) for chgs Atty-- Engr. E. Harold Munn, Jr.	GRANTED	3-14-78

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May 1976
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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters W L J E

Name PORTER COUNTY BROADCASTING CORPORATION
VALPARAISO, INDIANA

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BRH 790323 UL		RENEWAL OF LICENSE	GRANTED	7-26-79
BRSCA "		RENEWAL OF SCA		
PRESS	JUN 12 1979			

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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.