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June 1954

FM BROADCAST

BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed 12-5-55

Call letters WNIB
LOCATION: CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

Name of licensee NORTHERN ILLINOIS BROADCASTING COMPANY, INC.

Transmitter location 200 E. Randolph St., Chicago, Illinois(PH-4-3-73)
X 20 North Wacker, Chicago, Illinois(PH-8-22-67) LH 5-16-68)
x6 North Hamlin Street, Chicago, Illinois
12 East Delaware Place, Chicago, Illinois (LH 8-26-76)
x 25 East Chestnut St., Chicago, Ill. (Ltr. 2-3-70)
x400 West Madison Street, Chicago, Illinois (BRCH-5-10-62)
xx108 North State Street, Chicago, Illinois (BLH-7-6-60)
xx300 South Hamlin Avenue, Chicago, Illinois (BRC- 6-26-59)
xx108 North State Street, Chicago, Illinois BRC-4-29-59)

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Main studio location x 6 North Hamlin Street, Chicago, Illinois

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From To
BPH-1990	2-10-55	CP for new FM Class B sta: 97.1(2/6) 11kw. U. Tower: 185'+			4-10-55 10-10-55
Wire 6-27-55 Auth. op. in accord BPH-1990 to 7-28-55					
Wire 7-21-55 RELET 18. Interim op. auth. ext. to 8-27-55					
BIH-1073	12-5-55	Lic. to Cover BPH-1990			to 12-1-58(L)
BTC-2816 BFF	7-16-58 8-14-58	Voluntary acquisition of positive control of licensee corp. by William C. Florian thru purchase of stock from Edward L.Merritt, Jr.			
	11-25-58	Action on renewal deferred by Commission pending further consideration.			
BRH-808	4-1-59	RENEWAL OF LICENSE			4-1 12-1-61
BRCH-232 (1)	4-29-59	Modification of license to change Studio location from 6 North Hamlin Street, Chicago, Illinois TO 108 North State St., Chicago, Illinois and operate transmitter by remote control from studio location			
BRCH-240 (2)	5-26-59	Modification of license to change Studio location and Remote Control Point from 108 North State St., Chicago, Ill., to 300 South Hamlin Avenue, Chicago, Illinois			
BRCH-284 (3)	7-[illegible]-60	Modification of license to change Studio location and Remote Control location from 300 S. Hamlin, Chicago, Ill, to 108 North State Street Chicago, Illinois			
BRH-808	11-13-61	97.1	11kw	U	12-1 12-1-64
BRC-[illegible] (1)	2-10-[illegible]	Modified license to change studio and remote control location to 400 West Madison St., Chicago, Illinois			
BPH-4446 HAAT:185'	6-19-64	97.1mcs Ch.#246	ERP:11kw TPO:3kw	Unl.	8-19-64 2-19-65
	CP to install Composite trans. (RCA BTF-10B mod.) (Cond'l) FORFEITED				
Wire	7-30-64	Auth. remain silent thru			11-30-64
BRH-808	11-9-64	97.1mcs.	11kw.	U	12-1 12-1-67

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BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed .....

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Station location .....

Name of licensee .....

Transmitter location .....

Main studio location .....

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From-- To-
BPH-5913 HAAT: 580'	8-22-67	97.1mc ch# 246	ERP: 3.5kw TPO: 2.40kw	Unl.	10-22-67 4-22-68
	CP to chg. ant-trans location; installnew ant. (Andrew Corp. 1302-1, 2 sects); decr. TPO; decr. ERP; and incr. HAAT;				
BRH-808 (S)	3-14-68	Renewal of Lic.			12-1-70
BLH-3949 HAAT: 580'	5-16-68	97.1mc Ch#246	ERP: 3.5kw UNL TPO: 2.75kw (RC)		12-1-70
	Lic. to cover CP(BPH-5913)				
BSCA-953	9-24-69	Request for SCA on 67kcs.			9-24 12-1-70
BRH-808(L)	11-30-70	Renewal			12-1-73
BSCA-1,068	3-22-71	Request for SCA on a sub-carrier frequency of 67 kc/s.			
EBSA	5-22-72				
BPH-8304 HAAT: 1190'	4-3-73 (H&V)	97.1mhz. ERP: 850w(H&V) #246 Class B (RC) CP chg. TL, install new trans., ant., make chgs. ant. system(inc.hgt.) Chg. TPO, ERP, HAAT.			4-3-74
BRH-808(S)	11-28-73	RENEWAL			12-1-76
BMPH-14,124 (1)	6-14-74	MP(BPH-8304) ext. time to 7-31-74. as mod.			
BMPH-14,162 (2)	7-17-74	MP(BPH-8304) ext. time to 12-31-74			
BMPH-14,358 (3)	1-10-75	MP(BPH-8304, as mod) ext time to 6-30-75			
BMPH-14,538(4)	7-21-75	MP(BPH-8304, as mod) ext to 12-31-75			
BSCA-1509	10-6-75	SCA 67khz			
BMPH-14,714 (5)	1-22-76	MP(BPH-8304 as mod.) ext. time to 6-30-76			
BLH-7103(L)	8-26-76	Lic. (BPH-8304, as mod.)			12-1-76
BRH-808(L)	11-17-76		RENEWAL		12-1-79
BSCA-1769	10-4-77	SCA on 67 kilohertz			12-1-79

CARD #3

FREQUENCY MODULATION

BROADCASTING STATION HISTORY RECORD

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Station Location Chicago, Illinois

Name Northern Illinois Broadcasting Company, Inc.

Transmitter Location SEE CARD #1

Main studio location SEE CARD #1

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Authorization Record

File No.	Granted	Facilities	Expires
BPH-781106AT HAAT: 1190' (H&V) (L)	4/18/79	97.1 mhz ERP: 5.7kW (H&V) TPO: 8.4kW Class:B CP to incr. ERP install new trans	4/18/80
BRH 790802 UA	12-31-79	RENEWAL	
BRSCA "	"	SCA	12-1-82
BPH800509AI HAAT: 1190' (h&v) (L)	8-27-80	97.1mhz. ERP: 5.7kW CP to replace expired permit.	2-27-81
BMPH-810225AP (1)	4-3-81	MP (BPH-800509AI) for ext. of time to:	9-30-81

FORM A-170
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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters ~~NEW~~ WNIB

Name NORTHERN ILLINOIS BROADCASTING CO., INC.
1729 North Washtenaw Avenue, Chicago, Illinois

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BPH-1990 Recd. Filed	11-30-54 12- 2-54 12- 2-54	C.P. for a new Class B FM B/c. station: Frequency: 97.1 mcs. Ch. 246 ERP: 10.8 kw Unlimited operation Ant. ht. above average Terr: 182.5 ft T-L: 6 North Hamlin Street, Chicago, Ill. S-L: Same (RCA BTF-3B 3000 w).	GRANTED 2-10-55 97.1 mcs. ERP 11 kw Terr: 185 ft. TPO 3kw	
BLH-1073 Recd & filed	8-17-55 8-18-55	License to cover the above	GRANTED	12-5-55
BTC-2816 Rec'd. Filed	5-28-58 6-12-58 6-12-58	Voluntary acquisition of positive control of licensee corporation by William C. Florian thru purchase of stock from Edward L. Merritt, Jr.	GRANTED EFF:	7-16-58 8-14-58

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Aug. 1955

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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Call Letters W N I B (FM)

Name NORTHERN ILLINOIS BROADCASTING CO. INC.
Chicago, Illinois

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BRM- 808 Re d Filed	9-15-58 9-16-58 9-16-58	Renewal of license	GRANTED	4-1-59
BRCH-232 Rec'd Filed	2-12-59 2-16-59 2-16-59	Modification f license to change Studio location from 6 North Hamlin Street, Chicago, Ill., TO 108 North State Street, Chicago, Ill., and operate transmitter by Remote Control from Studio location.	GRANTED	4-29-59
BRCH-240 Rec'd Filed	6-23-59 6-25-59 6-25-59	Modification of license to change Studio location and Remote Control Point from 108 North State Street, Chicago, Illinois TO 300 South Hamlin Avenue, Chicago, Illinois	GRANTED	5-26-59
BRCH-284 Rec'd Filed	6-27-60 6-29-60 6-29-60	Modification of license to change Studio & Remote Control location from 300 S. Hamlin, Chicago, Ill., TO 108 North State, Chicago Ill.	GRANTED	7-6-60

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AUG. 1955 #3

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters WNIB

Name NORTHERN ILLINOIS BROADCASTING COMPANY, INC.
Chicago, Illinois

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BRGH-286 Rec'd Filed	7-13-60 7-14-60 7-14-60	Modification of license to change Remote Control point from 108 North State St., Chicago, Ill. to 4010 W. Madison St., Chicago Ill, to be operated by employees of the station only.	DISMISSED per Sec.	12-30-60 1.312(b)
BRH-808 R. & F.	8-28-61 8-30-61	Renewal of License.	GRANTED	11-13-61
BPH-3621 R & F	11-29-61 12-1-61	Construction Permit to increase ERP from 11kw to 36kw, install new transmitter (RCA BTF-10B) and changes in transmission line.	DISMISSED-10-4-63 Third Report - Order	

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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters W N I B

Name NORTHERN ILLINOIS BROADCASTING COMPANY, INC.
Chicago, Illinois

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BRCH-375 Rec'd Filed	4-30-62 5-3-62 5-3-62	Modification of license to change Studio location and Remote Control Point from 108 North State St., Chicago, Ill., TO 400 West Madison Street, Chicago, Illinois	GRANTED	5-10-62
BPH-4446 R & F	5-8-64 5-11-64	Construction permit to install a composite trans (RCA-BTF-10B, modified). FORFEITED	GRANTED Cond'l re submission of data for acceptance of trans.	6-19-64 FORFEITED
BRH-808 R&F	8-31-64 9-3-64	Renewal of license.	GRANTED	11-9-64
BPH-5913 Rec'd Filed	6-20-67 6-23-67 7-12-67	CP to chg. trans loc.(20 North Wacker, Chicago, Illinois; ~~install new trans(RCA-BTF-10B)~~; install ~~dual~~-pol. ant(Andrew Corp. 1302-1, 2 sect horiz.; ~~and Gates 300-1, 1 sect. vert.~~;)incr. TPO to ~~9.14kw~~; decr. ~~horiz.~~ ERP to ~~7.0kw; operate with a vert. ERP 3.96kw~~; incr. ~~horiz.~~ HAAT to ~~576.8'~~ ~~and operate with a vert. HAAT 591.8'~~. Engr: A. Uchida, Chicago, Illinois ~~Req. waiver of Sect. 73.22~~	GRANTED	8-22-67

SEE AMENDMENT ON CARD #5

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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters WMTR

Name NORTHERN ILLINOIS BROADCASTING COMPANY, INC.
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BPH-5913 AMENDED R.&F. AUG 17 1967	7-10-67 7-12-67	AMENDED to delete requests for dual polarization & req. for waiver; & chg. in type transmitter; - decr. TPO to 2.38kw; decr. ERP to 3.5kw and incr. HAAT to 587 feet.	GRANTED	8-22-67
BRH-808 R & F SEP 25 1967	9-1-67 9-7-67	Renewal of license.	GRANTED	3-14-68
BLH-3949 Rec'd Filed #407841 $30 PT APR 26 1968	1/25/68 1/31/68 2/19/68 2/19/68 3/1/68	License (BPH-5913, for changes). Engr: A. Uchida	GRANTED	5-16-68

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97.1mhz.

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APPLICATION RECORD · BROADCASTING

Call Letters WNIB

Name NORTHERN ILLINOIS BROADCASTING COMPANY, INC.
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BSCA-953 R & F #533681 $30	8-4-69 8-6-69 8-6-69	Request for Subsidiary Communication Authorization on a sub-carrier frequency of 67 kcs.	GRANTED	9-24-69
BRH-808 R & F P.N. OCT 8 1970	9-1-70 9-4-70 9-4-70	Renewal of License	GRANTED	11-30-70
BSCA-1,068 R & F #668978 $50. CODE 068 PRESS: 18 MAR 1971	2-26-71 3-4-71 3-4-71	Request for Subsidiary Communications Authorization on a sub-carrier frequency of 67 kilocycles. Atty--None.	GRANTED	3-22-71
BPH- Rec'd #154374 $50 Press MAR 2 1973	2-14-73 2-16-73 2-16-73	CP to chg. TL to: 200 E. Randolph St., Chicago, Illinois; install new trans. (RCA BTF-10E); install new ant. (Jampro JHCP-1, 1 section (H&V); make chg, ant. system (increase height); chg. TPO; ERP: 3.0KW (H&V) and HAAT: 1185.5' (H&V). (41° 53' 08" _ 87° 37' 15")	RETURNED Spacing.	2-28-73

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BR-808 application forms were returned and remarks as of 7-14-70. Forms 316 also mailed out

BRH-808 Forms 318 mailed out 10-6-70 re: SCA

Form BC-121
September 1969

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APPLICATION RECORD · BROADCASTING

97.1mhz

Call Letters W.N.I.B.

Name Northern Illinois Broadcasting Company, Inc.
Chicago, Illinois

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BPH-8304 R & F #154374 $50 Code 061 Press REFUNDED $50 (Overpayment)	3-6-73 3-8-73 2-16-73 MAR 29 1973	CP to chg. TL to: 200 E. Randolph St., Chicago, Illinois; install new trans. (RCA BTF-10E); install new ant. (Jampro JHCP-1, 1 section (H&V); make chg. ant. system (increase height); chg. TPO; ERP: 0.85KW (H&V); and HAAT: 1185.5' (H&V). (41° 53' 08" - 87° 37' 15")	GRANTED	4-3-73
BRH-808 R & F P.N. PRESS	9-4-73 9-7-73 9-7-73 3 OCT 1973	Renewal of License	GRANTED	11-28-73
BMPH- 14,124 Received Filed #308620 $50 Code 057 PRESS	4-1-74 4-4-74 5-24-74 5-28-74 JUN 5 1974	MP(BPH-8304) ext. time to 6-30-74. (Changes) Transmitter changed to RCA BTF-5 A	GRANTED TO	6-14-74 7-31-74

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(BRH-808) Forms 318 mailed 10-1-73 re: SCA

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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

97.1mhz

Call Letters WNIB

Name Northern Illinois Broadcasting Company, Inc.
Chicago, Illinois

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BMPH-14,162 R & F #321416 $50 Code 057 PRESS JUL 15 1974	6-21-74 6-28-74 7-2-74	MP(BPH-8304, as mod.) ext. time to 12-31-74. (Changes)	GRANTED TO	7-17-74 12-31-74
BMPH-14358 R & F #374519 $50 Code 057 PRESS DEC 31 1974	12-11-74 12-16-74 12-17-74	MP(BPH-8304, as mod.) ext. time to 6-30-75. (Changes)	GRANTED TO	1-10-75 6-30-75
BMPH-14,538 Rec'd Filed #438097 $50 #445874 $50 Code 057 PRESS JUL 14 1975	6-9-75 6-11-75 7-8-75 6-13-75 7-8-75	MP(BPH-8304, as modified) ext. time to 3-31-76 (Changes)	GRANTED TO	7-21-75 12-31-75

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97.1mhz.

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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters W N I B

Name Northern Illinois Broadcasting Company, Inc.
Chicago, Illinois

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BSCA-1509 R & F #471828$100 Code 001 PRESS	8-13-75 9-3-75 9-8-75 SEP 15 1975	Request for Subsidiary Communications Authorization on a sub-carrier frequency of 67 khz.	GRANTED	10-6-75
BMPH-14,714 R & F #514866$100 CODE 001 PRESS	12-23-75 12-30-75 1-7-76 JAN 9 1976	MP(BPH-8304, as mod) ext time to 7-31-76 (For Changes)	GRANTED to	1-22-76 6-30-76
BLH-7103 R & F #587036$100 Code 001 PTA PRESS	6-28-76 6-30-76 7-2-76 7-8-76 JUL 30 1976	Lic. to cover (BPH-8304, as mod.) for changes Chg. SL: 12 E. Delaware, Chicago, Ill. Chg. Trans. RCA BTF-5A Note TPO: 1.95kw HAAT: 1190 ft.	GRANTED	8-26-76

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Form BC-121
May 1976
12-55

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters WNIB

Name NORTHERN ILLINOIS BROADCASTING COMPANY, INC.
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BRH-808 R & F PN Recd. PRESS	7-30-76 8-2-76 " AUG 23 1976	RENEWAL OF LICENSE	GRANTED	11-17-76
BSCA-1769 R & F PRESS	9-14-77 9-19-77 SEP 29 1977	Request for Subsidiary Communications Authorization on a subcarrier frequency of 67 kilohertz Atty---	GRANTED	10-4-77
BPH- Rec'd Filed PN REC'D PRESS:	10-12-77 10-17-77	CP install new Trans (RCA, BTF-20E1); Antenna (JAMPRO-DA, JHCP-1, 1 sect H&V); chg TPO & ERP (9kw H&V) Atty--- Engr. Roy R. Cove	RETURNED 6-23-78 VIOLATION OF WORKING ARRANGEMENT FOR ALLOCATION OF FM B/C STATIONS ON CH.221-30 UNDER THE CANADA-U.S. AGREEMENT OF 1947	

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RE: BPH- PETITION TO DISMISS filed 12-28-77 by
Lake-Kenosha Broadcasting Corporation

Form BC-121
May 1976

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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

97.1MHz

Call Letters WNIB

Name NORHTERN ILLINOIS BROADCASTING COMPANY, INC.
CHIAGO, ILLINOIS

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BPH-781106AT PRESS:	FEB 8 1979	Construction permit to increase ERP: 5.75KW(H) 5.46KW(V) install new type trans (RCA BTF-10E) make chgs in ant sys(install DA ant) Atty:-------	Granted	4/18/79
BRH 790802 BRSCA "	UA SEP 21 1979	RENEWAL OF LICENSE RENEWAL OF SCA	GRANTED	12-31-79
BPH800509AI PRESS (0)	JUL 3 1980	Construction Permit to Replace Expired Permit (BPH-781106AT).	GRANTED COND'L	8-27-80
BMPH810225AP PRESS (0	APR 9 1981	MP (BPH-800509AI) For Extension of Time to: 8-27-81 (FOR CHGS.)	GRANTED: TO:	4-3-81 9-30-81

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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.