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February 1974

FREQUENCY MODULATION

BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Official Number 3248

W A T E (EFF: 9-10-76
X WABJ-FM

Date first licensed April 6, 1977

Call letters

Station location Adrian, Michigan

SOUTHEASTERN MICHIGAN BROADCASTING, INC. (MLH790418AG 5/22/79)
xMETROCOM, INC. (APH gr 6/29/76 EFF: 8/1/76 consummated 7/30/76

Name of licensee xCerity Broadcasting Company

3522 W. Horton Road, Sand Creek, Michigan (LH 4-6-77)

Transmitter location xHorton Rd., 0.45 mi. E. of Sand Creek Rd., 2.4 mi. N-NE of Western, Mich.
(PH 9-19-74)

Main studio location 121 W. Maumee Street, Adrian, Michigan (PH 9-19-74)

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From To
BPH-8265 HAAT: 300ft(H&V)	9-19-74	95.3mhz #237	ERP: 3kw(H&V) U Class-A (RC) CP for NEW FM Station		9-19-75
BPH-8265(1)	1-20-75	Call letters assigned			
EBSA	1-20-75				
BMPH-14,595(2)	9-15-75	MP(BPH-8265) ext time to			3-1-76
BMPH-14,744(3)	3-8-76	MP(BPH-8265, as mod) ext			to 9-1-76
BAPH-591	6/29/76	Vol APH	EFF: 8/1/76 consummated 7/30/7		
BSCA-1597	6-30-76	SCA	67 KHz		
EBSA	9-10-76	issued in new call sign			
BLH-7225(L)	4-6-77	Lic. (BPH-8265)		for new	sta. 10-1-79
BTCH781108EB	1-17-79	VOL. TC		EFF:	
PHASE II REFUND ACTION New Call Sign WCOQ-FM TRANS. CODE 500 DATE 2/9/11 AMT. 116200 INITIALS DWF					
BRH790530ZH	9-21-79	RENEWAL & SCA			10-1-82
BRSCA " "	" " "				

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APPLICATION RECORD · BROADCASTING

Call Letters NEW-FM

Name Gerity Broadcasting Company
Adrian, Michigan(PO 121 West Maumee Street, Adrian, Michigan 49221)

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BPH-8265 R & F #152863 $100 CODE: 013 PRESS: FEB 28 1973 PN REC'd:	2-5-73 2-12-73 3-5-73	CP for New FM on: 95.3mhz. #237 HAAT: 300'(h&v) ERP: 3kw(h&v) Trans: RCA-BTF-10D; Ant: RCA-BFC-2, 2 sects. (h&v). TL: 0.45 mi. E. of Sand Creek Rd., on Horton Rd., Near Weston, Michigan. SL & RC: 121 West Maumee St., Adrian, Michigan 41° 48' 15" - 84° 05' 25" Atty - David Tillotson(E. Harold Munn, Jr.) Engr- E. Harold Munn, Jr.(Coldwater, Michigan)	GRANTED gr.fee $900 req. Pd 014 W358784	9-19-74 10-29-74
	3-26-73	Petition to Deny filed by Lenawee Broadcasting Company.		
	4-11-73	ERRATUM filed by GERITY BROADCASTING COMPANY.		
	5-11-73	REPLY TO OPPOSITION FILED BY LENAWEE BROADCASTING COMPANY.		
	5-17-73	SUPPLEMENT TO REPLY TO OPPOSITION; FILED BY LENAWEE BROADCASTING COMPANY.		
AMENDED	8-1-73	Community Needs and Problems.		
AMENDED	11-29-73	Section II.		
Ltr.	12-6-73	Re 316 to be filed(Involuntary).		

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SEE CARD #2

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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

WABJ-FM

Call Letters X NEW-FM

Name Gerity Broadcasting Company
Adrian, Michigan

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BPH-8265 CONTINUED FROM CARD #1				
AMENDED	1-14-74	Re- Section II.		
AMENDED	2-5-74	Section II.		
AMENDED	6-4-74	Other Interest.		
AMENDED	7-26-74	Section II.		
BMPH-14,595 R & F #465292$100 Code 001	8-15-75 8-18-75 8-20-75 AUG 28 1975	MP(BPH-8265) for extension of time to 3-1-76. (New Station) Atty: David Tillotson (Arent, Fox, etc.)	GRANTED TO	9-15-75 3-1-76
BMPH-14,744 R & F #531191$100 CODE 001 PRESS	2-6-76 2-12-76 2-18-76 FEB 25 1976	MP(BPH-8265, as mod) exttime to 9-1-76 (New Station) Atty. David Tillotson	GRANTED TO	3-8-76 9-1-76

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September 1969

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters WQTE
XWABJ-FM

Name METROCOM, INC.
xGERITY BROADCASTING COMPANY
Adrian, Michigan

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BAPH-591 R & F FEE PD: SEE AM APR 26 1976 PN filed	4-1-76 4-5-76 4/27/76	Voluntary assignment of CP(BPH-8265, as mod., new station) to METROCOM, INC. Atty for assignor - Arent, Fox etc for assignee - Fisher, Wayland etc(Leader) (SEE AM FOR AMENDMENTS ETC)	GRANTED EEP: Consummated 7/30/76 FEE REQ: pd 8/10/76 W 602495	6/29/76 8/1/76
BSCA-1597 R & F 564476$100 Code 001 PRESS	4-30-76 5-4-76 5-7-76 MAY 13 1976	Request for Subsidiary Communications Authorization on a sub-carrier frequency of 67 khz. Atty: Thomas Schattenfield (Arent, Fox, etc.)	GRANTED	6-30-76
BLH-7225 R & F #605803$100 Code 001 PTA PRESS	8-21-76 8-23-76 8-24-76 11-30-76 JAN 17 1977	Lic. (BPH-8265) for new sta. TL redes. as 3522 W. Horton Rd., Sand Creek, Mich. Trans. Harris FM5-H3 Ant. Jampro, 2 sects.	GRANTED	4-6-77

PHASE 1 REFUND ACTION

TRANS. CODE	DATE
511	29124

AMT.	INITIALS
5200	D.H.Y.

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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters WQTE

Name SOUTHEASTERN MICHIGAN BROADCASTING, INC.
XMETROCOM, INC
Adrian, Michigan

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BTC-781108EB PRESS Form 315 PN FILED Also see WABJ AM	NOV 20 1978 12-12-78	Vol TC from Robert G. Liggett, Jr. to Allan C. Graybiel, Stewart P. Titze, Paul G. Linehan et al (10 stockholders) Atty for transferor- Martin Leader Atty for transferee-David Tillotson	GRANTED EFF:	1-17-79
BMLH-790418AG PRESS: (o)	MAY 2 1979	Mod of license to chg name to SOUTHEASTERN MICHIGAN BROADCASTING, INC. ATTY: David Tillotson	GRANTED	5/22/79
BRH 790530 ZH BRSCA " PRESS JUL 25 1979		RENEWAL OF LICENSE RENEWAL OF SCA	GRANTED	9-21-79

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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.

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.