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BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

~~COMM. TV STA.~~ TO NON COMMERCIAL EDUCATIONAL TV EFF: 5-26-61

Date first licensed 6-20-63 (OFF. NO. 56)

Call letters ~~X~~ W C B B (4-11-61)

Station Location: Augusta, Maine

NDEA

Name of licensee COLBY-BATES-BOWDOIN EDUCATIONAL TELECASTING CORPORATION(BAPCT-300 6-28-61 / PINE TREE TELECASTING CORPORATION EFF: 8-4-61)

Oak Hill Road, Litchfield, Near Lewiston, Maine (BLET-65, 6-20-63)

X Approx. 10 miles ENE of Lewiston, on Danforth Hill, Near Lewiston, Maine(BMPCT-5551 gr.2-27-61)

Transmister location X Beedle Road, 2.3 miles west of Highway #12, 6 miles / near Gardiner, Maine / South of Gardiner

1450 Lisbon St., Lewiston, Maine (BMLET-111 3-30-72)

X Oak Hill Road, Litchfield, Near Lewiston, Maine(BLET-65, 6-20-63)

X Approx. 10 miles ENE of Lewiston on Danforth Hill, Near Lewiston, Maine(BMPCT-5551 gr.2-27-61)

Main studio location X TO BE DETERMINED, Augusta, Maine

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CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From	Period To
BPCT-2201	11-14-56	CH #10	V-316 kw	U	1-14-57	
AH 560 '		192-198	A-158 kw		7-14-57	
CP for a new Comm. TV B/C Station.						
BMPCT-4753	6-17-57	same	same	same	1-14-57	
Mod. CP(BPCT-2201, to extend completion date.					11-1-57	
BMPCT-4894	10-16-57	same	same	same	1-14-57	
Mod. CP(BPCT-2201as mod) to extend compl. date 5-1-58						
BMPCT-5074	4-23-58	same	same	same	1-14-57	
Mod. CP(BPCT-2201, as mod)to extend completion date 11-1-58						
BMPCT-5195	10-24-58	same	same	same	1-14-57	
Mod. CP(BPCT-2201 as mod.) ext. completion date 5-1-59						
BMPCT-5308	5-25-59	same	same	same	1-14-57	
Mod. CP(BPCT-2201,as mod)extend completion date 11-1-59						
BMPCT-5395	10-27-59	same	same	same	1-14-57	
Mod.CP(BPCT-2201,as mod)to extend completion date. 5-1-60						
BMPCT-5464	7-29-60	same	same	same	1-14-57	
Mod.CP(BPCT-2201,as mod)to extend completion date. 11-1-60						
BTC-3490	7-27-60	Voluntary transfer of control of permittee corporation from Richard S. Robie, Sr., TO President and Trustees of Bates College. EFF: 9-21-60				
BMPCT-5518	10-13-60	same	same	same	1-14-57	
Mod. CP(BPCT-2201, as mod, ext. complet. dt--5-1-61						
BMPCT-5551	2-27-61	CH #10	V-316 kw	U	1-14-57	
AH:720'		192-198	A-158 kw	NSL:1049'	8-21-61	
(MOD CP CP(BPCT-2201as mod.)CHG.Trans.& studio locn.& AH						
BAPCT-300	6-28-61	Voluntary assignment of construction permit to Colby-Bates-Bowdoin Educational Telecasting Corporation. EFF: 8-4-61				
WIRE	11-8-61	RE LIC BLCT-1154 AUT . GR. OPER. ON PROGRA TEST ACCORD SEC. 3.629 & CP BMPCT-5633. ADVISE				
BMPCT-5633	11-14-61	CH 10	V-316 kw	U	1-14-57	
AH: 720'		192-198	A-158 kw	NSL:1049'	12-14-61	
Mod.CP (BPCT-2201,as mod)to extend completion dt.show chg. of call letters and name.						
BLCT-65	6-20-63	CH.#10	V-310 kw	U	6-20-63	
AH: 720'	NSL:1049'	192-198	A-155 kw		4-1-66	
LICENSE to cover CP (BPCT-2201,as mod)& redescribe TL & SL						

Form BC 126 #2
June 1954

NON-COMM.ED.TV

BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed

Call letters W.C.B.B.

Station location AUGUSTA, MAINE

Name of licensee COLBY-BATES-BOWDOIN EDUCATIONAL TELECASTING CORPORATION

Transmitter location SEE CARD #1

Main studio location

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From To
BMLET-17	10-21-64	CH.10	V.310 kw	U	10-21-64
AH.720		192-198	A.75.9 kw		4-1-66
Mod. of License to reduce Aural ERP and chg. type of A.Tran					
BMLET-30	11-2-65	CH. 10	V-310kw	U	11-2-65
AH.720' MSL:1049'		192-198	A-61.7kw		4-1-66
Mod. of License to reduce Aural ERP					
BPET-241	1-20-66	CH. 10	V-310 kw	U	3-20-66
AH:--		192-198	A----		9-20-66
AUX.VIS.AMPLIFIER. CP to install amplifier for Aux.Purposes					
BRET-56	3-24-66	same	same	same	4-1-66
	RENEWAL OF LICENSE				4-1-69
BLET-138	8-22-67	CH.10	V-310 kw	Emerg.	8-22-67
AURAL VIS.	AMPL.	192-198		Test & Maint.	4-1-69
License to cover CP (BPET-241) which auth.an Aux.Vis.Amp.					
BRET-56	3-26-69 (S) RENEWAL OF LICENSES & NDEA				4-1-72
MAIN TRANS.& ANTENNA AND AUX. VISUAL AMPLIFIER					
BPET-388	5-5-71	Ch. 10	V. 309 kw	U	7-5-71
AH:1000'MSL:1329'		192-198	A. 61.7 kw		11-5-72
CP chg. ERP & HAAT					
BRET-56	3-30-72	Renewal and modfied SL (L) NDEA			
BMLET-111	MAIN TRANS. & ANT. AUX. VISUAL AMPLIFIER				4-1-75
EBSA	5-15-72				
WIRE	6-14-72	PENDING COMP. CONSTRUCTION ACCORD			
BPET-388 AND FIL. LIC. APPLI. AUTH. GR. OPER. TEMP. PER. END. 7-14-72 WITH ALFORD SINGLE BAY ANT. SIDE MOUNTED AT THE 215 FT LEVEL OF EX ISTING ANT. TOWER. ERP MAY NOT EXCEED THAT PRESENTLY AUTH.					
WIRE	7-17--72	ABOVE AUTH. EXT. TO			8-14-72
WIRE	7-26-72	PENDING FIL. LIC. APPLI. AUTH. GR.			
OPER. TEMP. PER. END. 10-28-72 ACCORD CP BPET-388.					
Wire	10-10-72	Re tend'd. lic. appl. auth. g'd. oper.			
on PTA accord. 73.629 & BPET-388.					
BLET-316	11-7-72	Lic. (BPET-388) for chgs.			4-1-75
BRET-56	3-31-75	Renewal of License			4-1-79
(MAIN TRANS. & ANT.)(AUX. VISUAL AMPLIFIER)					

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June 1975

CARD NO. 3

BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed SEE CARD NO. 1

Call letters WCBB

Station location

Name of licensee SEE CARD NO. 1

Transmitter location SEE CARD NO. 1

Main studio location SEE CARD NO. 1

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From To
BRET-56	3-13-78	RENEWAL OF LICENSE (S)			4-1-81
(MAIN TRANS.& ANT.)(AUX. VISUAL AMPLIFIER)					
LTR. REC'D 12-16-76 WAIVER REQUEST GRANTED 2-9-77					

Card # 1
FORM BC-121
AUG. 1955

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Comm TV B/C

Call Letters WPTT

Name PINE TREE TELECASTING CORPORATION
(P.O. Park Square, Boston, Mass. % Richard S. Robie)

File No.	Dated	Station Location: Augusta, Maine Application for	Action Nature	Date
BPCT-2301 Recd & filed	9-10-56 9-17-56	CP for a new commercial TV b/c station Freq: Ch # 10, 192-198 Mcs. ERP: Vis. 316 kw, Aur. 158 kw Hours of operation: Unlimited S-L: To be determined, Wilmington, Maine T-L: Beedle Road, 2.3 miles West of Highway 12, 6 miles South of Gardiner, Maine (GE-TT-36A) (770) Filed by Edward H. McKenna, Atty.	GRANTED	11-14-56
Amended Recd & filed	10-11-56 10-12-56	Amended to correct studio location from To be determined, Wilmington, Maine, to To be determined, Augusta, Maine. Filed by David S. Stevens, Atty.		
Amended Recd & filed	10-31-56 11-2-56	Amended to change antenna height above average terrain & make other antenna changes (559.7) Filed by David S. Stevens, Atty.		

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

Everett L. Dillard, Consulting Engr.

Card # 2
Form BC-121
Aug. 1955

Comm TV B/C

APPLICATION RECORD · BROADCASTING

Call Letters WPTT

Name PINE TREE TELECASTING CORPORATION
Augusta, Maine

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BMPCT-4662 Recd & filed	4-18-57 4-26-57	Mod. of CP (BPCT-2201 which auth. a new comm TV B/C station) to change transmitter location from Beedle Road, 2.3 miles West of Hwy # 12, 6 miles South of Gardiner, near Gardiner, Maine to North of Route 197, 2.9 miles West of Richmond, Maine make changes in antenna system and other equipment. (1000) Filed by David S. Stevens, Atty.	DISMISSED WITHOUT PRE-JUDICE, ORDER IN	4-12-60. DOCKET 12878
BMPCT-4733 Recd.&filed Ext. # 1	6-11-57 6-11-57	Mod. of CP(BPCT-2201,which auth. a new Comm. TV B/C Sta)to extend completion date from 7-14-57 to 11-1-57. Filed by D.S. Stevens,Atty.	GRANTED	6-17-57
BMPCT-4894 Recd.&filed Ext. # 2	10-7-57 10-9-57	Mod. of CP(BPCT-2201,as mod.,which auth. anew Comm. TV B/C Sta/(to extend completion date from 11-1-57 to 5-1-58. Filed by D.S. Stevens,Atty.	GRA NTED	10-16-57

FORM BC-121 #3
Aug. 1955

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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Call Letters WPTT

Name PINE TREE TELECASTING CORPORATION
Augusta, Maine

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BMPCT-5074 Recd & filed Ex # 3	3-31-58 4-1-58	Mod. of CP (BPCT-2201,as mod.,which auth. a new Comm. TV B/C Sta.)to extend completion date from 5-1-58 to 11-1-58. Filed by David S. Stevens, Atty.	GRANTED	4-23-58
BMPCT-5195 Recd.&filed Ext. # 4	9-25-58 10-1-58	Mod. of CP (BPCT-2201, asmod.,which auth. a New Comm. TV B/C Sta.) to extend completion date from 11-1-58 to 5-1-59. Filed by D.S. Stevens,Atty.	GRANTED	10-24-58
BMPCT-5308 Recd.&filed Ext. #5	4-21-59 4-23-59	Mod. of CP (BPCT-2201, as mod.,which auth. a new Comm. TV B/C Station) to extend completion date from 5-1-59 to 11-1-59. Filed by D.S. Stevens,Atty.	GRANTED	5-25-59
BMPCT-5395 Recd.&filed	10-15-59 10-16-59	Mod. of CP (BPCT-2201, as mod.,which auth. a new Comm. TV B/C Station) to extend completion date from 11-1-59 to 5-1-60. David S.Stevens-atty	GRANTED	10-27-59

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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters WPTT

Name PINE TREE TELECASTING CORPORATION
Augusta, Maine

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BMPCT-5464 Rec.& Filed	4-8-60 4-15-60	Mod. of CP (BPCT-2201, as mod., which authorized a new Comm. TV B/C Station) to extend completion date from 5-1-60 to 11-1-60 Joseph M. Kittner-atty	GRANTED	7-29-60
BTC-3490 Rec.& filed	6-29-60 7-1-60	Voluntary transfer of control of permittee corporation from Richard S. Robie, Sr. TO President and Trustees of Bates College. McKenna & Wilkinson-attys	GRANTED EXT: 9-21-60; CONDITION to such action as the Comm may deem warranted, if any, as a result of a final determination with respect to the pending petition for rule making relating to CH 10 in Augusta, Maine(RM-183) filed by the University of Maine.	7-27-60
BMPCT-5518 Recd.&Filed	10-4-60 10-7-60	Mod. of CP (BPCT-2201, as mod.,which authorized a new Comm. TV B/C Station) to extend completion date from 11-1-60 to Spring of 1961. David S. Stevens,Atty.	GRANTED	10-13-60

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

Gr. 10-13-60

FORM BC-121 Card #5 APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING
Aug. 1955

Call Letters WCBB (4-11-61

Name PINE TREE TELECASTING CORPORATION
Augusta, Maine

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BMPCT-5551 R & F	12-9-60 12-22-60	Mod of CP (BPCT-2201 as mod.) to change type of transmitters from GE-TT-36A to RCA TT 25CH, type of antenna from GE TY-70H to RCA TW 15A-10-P, change transmitter location from Beedle Road, 2.3 miles West of Highway #12, 6 miles South of Gardiner, near Gardiner, Maine to ~~On~~ On Danforth Hill, about 11 miles East Northeast of Lewiston, Maine, change studio location from-To be Determined, Augusta, Maine to transmitter site, On Danforth Hill, about 11 miles East NE of Lewiston, Maine, make changes in equipment and antenna height above average terrain to 720 feet. Request for waiver of Sec. 3.613 of the Comm's Rules. Filed by David S. Stevens, Atty.	GRANTED	2-27-61

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

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APPLICATION RECORD · BROADCASTING

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COMM. EDUCATIONAL TV: 5-26-61

Call Letters W C B B

COLBY-BATES-BOWDOIN EDUCATIONAL TELECASTING CORPORATION(6-28-61)

Name X PINE TREE TELECASTING CORPORATION
Augusta, Maine

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BAPCT-300 R & F	4-20-61 5-1-61	Voluntary assignment of construction permit to Colby-Bates-Bowdoin Educational Telecasting Corporation Davis S. Stevens, Atty for Assignor and Assignee	GRANTED EFF: 8-4-61	6-28-61
BMPCT-5633 Recd. &Filed	7-21-61 7-24-61	Mod. of CP (BPCT-2201, as mod, which authorized a new Comm. TV B/C Station) to extend completion date from 8-24-61 to 12-24-61 David S. Stevens, Atty.	GRANTED	11-14-61
Amended R & F	11-7-61 11-8-61	Amended to change name to:Colby-Bates-Bowdoin Educational Telecasting Corporation		
~~BLET-1154~~ * Received Filed * BLET-65	10-31-61 11-2-61 11-8-61	License to cover CP (BPCT-2201, as modified, for a new Non Comm. Educational TV broadcast station) and redescribe transmitter and studio locations as Oak Hill Road, Litchfield, near Lewiston, Maine David S. Stevens-atty	GRANTED	6-20-63

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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters WCBB

Name COLBY-BATES-BOWDOIN EDUCATIONAL TELECASTING CORPORATION

CH.10 AUGUSTA, MAINE zip 04240

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BMLET-17 Recd.&Filed	9-11-64 9-14-64	Mod. of License to reduce Aural ERP from 155 kw to 79.4 kw; change type of Aural transmitter to RCA TT-11AH. David S. Stevens, Atty	GRANTED	10-21-64
BMLET-30 Recd.&Filed	9-15-65 9-21-65	Mod. of License to reduce Aural ERP from 75.9 kw to 62 kw. McKenna & Wilkinson, Atty.	GRANTED	11-2-65
BPET-241 Recd.&Filed	10-19-65 10-19-65	CP to install previously authorized RCA-TT25BH Amplifier as an auxiliary visual amplifier in conjunction with the Main Transmitter for auxiliary purposes only. McKenna & Wilkinson, Atty.	GRANTED as Aux. Visual Amplifier	1-20-66
BRET-56 Recd.&Filed	12-10-65 1-3-66	RENEWAL OF LICENSE McKenna & Wilkinson, Atty.	GRANTED	3-24-66
BLET-138 R & F AUX. VIS. AMPLIFIER	3-18-66 3-21-66	LICENSE to cover CP (BPET-241) which authorized an Auxiliary Visual Amplifier in conjunction with the Main Transmitter for Auxiliary Purposes only. McKenna & Wilkinson, Attorneys, Washington, D. C.	GRANTED	8-22-67

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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

NON-COMM. ED. TV

Call Letters WCBB

Name COLBY-BATES-BOWDOIN EDUCATIONAL TELECASTING CORPORATION
CH. 10 Augusta, Maine

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
NEW APPLICATION FILED 3-15-68 - ROY STEWART 3-19-68				
BRET-56 R & F MAIN TRANSMITTER & ANT. AUXILLARY VISUAL AMPLIFIER PRESS PN Recd.	11-12-68 12-31-68 JAN 28 1969	RENEWAL OF LICENSE David S. Stevens, Atty. (McKenna & Wilkinson)	GRANTED	3-26-69
BPET-388 R & F PRESS:	10-29-70 11-2-70 NOV 1 6 1970	CP to chg. ERP to Vis. 316kw, Aur. 63kw; make chgs. in ant. structure (incr. hght.); and HAAT: 1000 ft. Atty.: J. L. Tierney (McKenna & Wilkinson) AMENDED 11-27-70 re eng-r. data.	GRANTED	5-5-71
BRET-56 R & F PN REC PRESS	12-14-71 12-22-71 12-22-71 JAN 10 1972	RENEWAL OF LICENSE MAIN TRANS. & ANT. AUXILIARY VISUAL AMPLIFIER John L. Tierney (McKenna, Wilkinson & Kittner) Amended 1-20-72 re Sec. VI	GRANTED issued with BMLET-111	3-30-72

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NONCOMMERCIAL EDUCATIONAL TV

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters WCBB

Name COLBY-BATES-BOWDOIN EDUCATIONAL TELECASTING CORPORATION
CH-10 AUGUSTA, MAINE

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BMLET-111 R & F PRESS:	3-10-72 3-13-72 MAR 29 1972	ML to chg. SL to 1450 Lisbon Street, Lewiston, Maine. Atty.: John L. Tierney (McKenna, Wilkinson & Kittner)	GRANTED issued with BRCT-56	3-30-72
BLET-316 R & F PRESS:	9-22-72 10-2-72 OCT 26 1972	Lic. to cover (BPET-388) for chgs. Atty.: John L. Tierney (McKenna, Wilkinson & Kittner)	GRANTED	11-7-72
		ADVISED CHG. IN ATTY: John L. Tierney (Greeley, Bernard & Tierney		
BRET-56 R & F PRESS:	11-27-74 11-29-74 JAN 7 1975	RENEWAL OF LICENSE (MAIN TRANS. & ANT.)(AUXILIARY VISUAL AMPLIFIER) Atty: John L. Tierney (Greeley, Bernard & Tierney) Amended 2-6-75 re transmitter type.	GRANTED	3-31-75

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NONCOMMERCIAL EDUCATIONAL TV

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters WCBB

Name COLBY-BATES-BOWDOIN EDUCATIONAL TELECASTING CORPORATION
CH-10 AUGUSTA, MAINE

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
Letter R & F PRESS:	12-13-76 12-16-76 21 DEC 1976	Request Waiver of Section 73.1201(b)(2) of the Rules to identify Station as Augusta-Lewiston-Portland, Maine. Atty.: John L. Tierney	GRANTED	2-9-77
BRET-56 R&F PN RECD PRESS	11-21-77 12-1-77 12-1-77 DEC 15 1977	RENEWAL OF LICENSE (Main Trans. & Ant.)(Aux. Visual Amp.) Atty.: John Tierney Amended 2-28-78 re programming	GRANTED	3-13-78
BRET- 801128KH R & F PN REC'D	11-20-80 11-28-80 11-28-80	RENEWAL OF LICENSE ATTY: JOHN L. TIERNEY {LAW OFFICES OF JOHN L. TIERNEY}	GRANTED	3-30-81

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 radio 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.

TV History Cards were initiated in the early 1940s, with the authorization of the earliest TV stations. 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 television station history.