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BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD NON-COMMERCIAL EDU.

Date first licensed 7-12-66 (Off. # 96)

Call letters WCNY-TV (9-23-65) X W N T V
(Station Loc: Syracuse, N. Y.)

THE PUBLIC BROADCASTING COUNCIL OF CENTRAL NEW YORK, INC. (BSET 9-26-73)
XTHE PUBLIC TELEVISION CORPORATION OF CENTRAL NEW YORK, INC. (ML 8-16-73)
XTHE EDUCATIONAL TELEVISION COUNCIL OF CENTRAL NEW YORK, INC. (BAPET-3 4-22-65 EFF: 5-17-66
Name of licensee XUNIVERSITY OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, STATE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT

SEVIER AND SWEET ROADS, NEAR POMPEY, NEW YORK (BMPET-349, 8-9-65)
Transmitter location XSyracuse, N. Y.

512 OLD LIVERPOOL ROAD, LIVERPOOL, NEW YORK (BMPET-349, 8-9-65)
Main studio location X To be determined, Syracuse, N. Y.

FCC-65

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div	Period From	To
BPET-7	9-17-62	Ch. 43, 644-650 mcs.	V-[illegible] kw A-176 kw	U	11-17-[illegible]	[illegible]-17-63
Construction permit for a new Non-Commercial Educational TV broadcast station.						
BAPET-3	4-22-65	Voluntary assignment of construction permit to The Educational Television Council of Central New York, Inc. EFF: 5-17-65				
BMPET-349	9-9-65*	CH.43	V-603 kw	U MSL:2549'		11-17-52
BMPET--2	8-9-65*	644-650	A-120 kw	AH:1380'		2-9-66
Mod. of CP (BPET-7) to chg. ERP, SL, TL, type of transm. antenna & AH, and extend completion date: * ISSUED TOGETHER						
BMPET-372	9-21-65	CH.24	V. 347 kw	U		11-17-52
AH:1390'	MSL:2549'	530-536	A. 69.2 kw	TO [illegible]		3-21-66
Mod. of CP (BPET-7, as mod.) change ERP, antenna system						
WIRE	12-10-65	RE TENDERED LICENSE APPL. AND PENDING COMPLETION AUTH. STUDIO FACIL., AUTH. GRANTED OPER. WCNY-TV TEMP. PERIOD END 3-10-65 ON PROGRAM TEST IN ACCORD. CP BMPET-372, EXCEPT WITH PROGRAM ORIGINATION AT TRANSMITTER LOCATION. ADV. WHEN OPER. COMMENCES UNDER THIS AUTHORITY. BEGAN 12-20-65				
WIRE	3-9-66	RELETLET 1. PENDING COMPLETION AUTHORIZED STUDIO FACIL. EXT. AUTH. GRANTED OPER. WCNY-TV TEMP. PERIOD END 6-10-66 ON PROGRAM TEST IN ACCORD. WITH CP BMPET-372 EXCEPT WITH PROGRAM ORIGINATION AT TRANS. SITE				
BLET-136	7-12-66	Ch. 24 530-536 Mcs	SAME	SAME	7-12-66 6-1-69	
Lic. to cover CP (BPET-7, as mod.) auth. new station						
WIRE	7-11-66	RELET AND AMENDMENT TO BLET-136 AUTH. GR. OPER. WCNY-TV ON PROG. TEST ACCORD. SEC. 73.639 RULES AND CP BMPET-372.				
WIRE	11-7-66	RELETATTY SEPTEMBER 22. AUTH. GR. OPER WCNY-TV VIA REMOTE CONTROL IN ACCORD. WITH SEC 73.670 RULES AND PLAN OUTLINED IN REQUEST.				

Form BC 126
June 1954

BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed .....

Call letters WCNY-TV

Station location Syracuse, N.Y.

Name of licensee THE EDUCATIONAL TELEVISION COUNCIL OF CENTRAL NEW YORK, INC.

SEE CARD #1

Transmitter location .....

Main studio location .....

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From	To
LETTER 1-15-68 by Commission granting req. for waiver of sec. 73.651 (c) of rules to permit WCNY-TV to accompany its visual transmission of slides, films or other visual images with aural transmission of music during scheduled breaks in its in-school programming schedule for a period ending June 1, 1969						
BRET-96	5-22-69	(S) RENEWAL OF LICENSE				6-1-72
EBSA	5-15-72					
BRET-96	5-31-72	RENEWAL OF LICENSE (S)				6-1-75
BMLET-123 (1)	8-16-73	To change name				
BSET-96 (2)	9-26-73	ML to correct name				
BRET-96 AH: 1380' Renewal of license	5-28-75 MSL: 2549'	Ch. 24 530-536	V. 347 kW A. 69.2 kW	U		6-1-75 6-1-78
BPET-568 AH: 1380' CP to chg	9-30-77 MSL: 2549' ERP, trans and ant.**	Ch. 24 530-536	V. 2750 kW A. 275 kW	U		11-30-77 3-30-79
BRET-96	5-11-78	RENEWAL OF LICENSE (S)				6-1-81
BMPET-790326LC	4-25-79	MP{BPET-568} to extend completion date				10-25-79
**BRCETV-107	1-13-78	REMOTE CONTROL AUTH.				
BMPET-800311KF	7-28-80	MP(BPET-568) to extend completion date to				1-28-81

CARD #1
FORM A-170
FORMERLY FCC FORM 94

APPLICATION RECORD · BROADCASTING

NON-COMMERCIAL ED TV B/C STATION
WCNY-TV

Call Letters WHTV U

Name UNIVERSITY OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK
STATE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT
(S/S DR. LEWIS A. WILSON, President, Albany, New York)

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BPET-7 Recd & Filed	7-1-52 7-2-52	Construction permit for the establishment of a new Non-Commercial Educational TV B/C Station. Freq: Ch. No. 43, 644-650 Mc. ERP: Vis. 198 KW., Aur. 105.0 KW Hrs. Operation: Unlimited S-L: To be determined, Syracuse, New York T-L: Syracuse, New York (Vis. & Aur. G. E. TT-25A) (471'21") Filed Direct; however, Fischer, Willis & Panzer, Washington, D. C., Attys.	GRANTED	9-17-52
BMPET-2 Recd & filed	2-20-53 2-25-53	Mod. of CP (BPET-7 which authorized a new Non-commercial TV b/c station) for extension of completion date from May 17, 1953 to May 17, 1954. Filed by Irving R. M. Panzer, Atty.	GRANTED ISSUED WITH BMPET-349.	8-9-65
LETTER	3-12-63	LEONARD H. MARKS,(COHN & MARKS) RETAINED AS COUNSEL		

Engr. date prepared by Francis X. Amstead(Univ. Engr.)

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NON COMMERCIAL EDUCATIONAL TV

FORM BC-121
AUG. 1955

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters WCNY-TV X W H T V

THE EDUCATIONAL TELEVISION COUNCIL OF CENTRAL NEW YORK, INC.

Name X UNIVERSITY OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, STATE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT
Syracuse, New York

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BAPET-3 Rec.& filed	3-16-65 4-2-65	Voluntary assignment of construction permit to The Educational Television Council of Central New York, Inc. Cohn & Marks-atty for assignor Haley, Bader & Potts-atty for assignee	GRANTED EFF: 5-17-65	4-22-65
BMPET-349 Received Amended Received Filed	~~no Sec.1~~ 4-2-65 4-14-65 4-16-65 4-22-65	Modification of CP (BPET-7 which authorized a new Non-Comm. Educa. TV station) to change ERP from Vis.200kw, Aur.105 kw TO Vis.600 kw, Aur.120 kw; Transmitter location from Syracuse, New York to Sevier and Sweet Roads, Pompey, New York; Studio location from To be Determined, Syracuse, New York to 512 Old Liverpool Road, Liverpool, New York; change type transmitters to G. E. TT-57-A; type of antenna to G. E. TY-25-D; make changes in antenna system and antenna height above average terrain to 1385 feet. (REQUEST WAIVER OF SECTION 73.613 OF COMM.'S RULES) Haley, Bader & Potts-atty... Lohnes & Culver-engr.	~~Held: No Section 1 filed & not acceptable until BAPET-3 is granted.~~ GRANTED	8-9-65

P.C.C. WASHINGTON, D.C.

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NON-COMM. ED. TV

FORM BC-121
AUG. 1955

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters WCNY-TV

Name THE EDUCATIONAL TELEVISION COUNCIL OF CENTRAL NEW YORK, INC.
CH. 24 SYRACUSE, NEW YORK ZIP 13088

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BMPET-372 RECD. FILED	8-12-65 8-16-65 8-16-65	Mod. of CP (BPET-7, as modified, which authorized a new Non-Commercial TV B/C Station) to change from Channel #43, 644-650 mcs TO CH. #24, 530-536 mcs.; increase Aural ERP from 120 kw to ~~[illegible]~~; and change type of antenna to G.E. TY-25-B. Haley, Bader & Potts, Atty.	GRANTED	9-21-65
AMENDED Recd. & Filed	9-1-65 9-7-65	AMENDED to change Aural ERP to 120 kw.		
BLET-136 R & F	12-7-65 12-10-65	License to cover CP (BPET-7, as mod.) which authorized a new Non-Comm. ED. TV B/C Station Andrew G. Haley, Atty.	GRANTED	7-12-66
NEW APPLICATION FILED 6-8-67. To B/C Fac. 6-9-67				
BRET-96 R & F PRESS PN Recd.	1-31-69 3-4-69 MAR 13 1969	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Henry A. Solomon, Atty. (Haley, Bader & Potts)	GRANTED	5-22-69
NEW APPLICATION FILED 10-15-70				

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

Form BC-121 #4
September 1969

APPLICATION RECORD · BROADCASTING

NON-COMM. ED TV

Call letters WCNY-TV

Name THE PUBLIC BROADCASTING COUNCIL OF CENTRAL NEW YORK, INC.
& THE PUBLIC TELEVISION CORPORATION OF CENTRAL NEW YORK, INC.
THE EDUCATIONAL TELEVISION COUNCIL OF CENTRAL NEW YORK, INC.

CH-24 SYRACUSE, NEW YORK

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BRET-96 R & F PN REC PRESS	1-21-72 3-3-72 3-3-72 MAR 20 1972	RENEWAL OF LICENSE William J. Potts, Jr.(Haley, Bader & Potts) Amended 3-22-72 re Sec. VI.	GRANTED	5-31-72
BMLET-123 R & F PRESS: AUG 1 1973	7-17-73 7-23-73	ML to chg. name to The Public Television Corporation of Central New York, Inc. Atty: William J. Potts,Jr.(Haley,Bader & Potts)	GRANTED	8-16-73
BRET-96 R & F PN Rec'd: PRESS:	1-8-75 2-3-75 2-3-75 FEB 25 1975	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Atty: William J. Potts, Jr. (Haley, Bader & Potts)	GRANTED	5-28-75
BPET-568 R & F PRESS:	4-14-77 4-18-77 APR 25 1977	CP to chg. ERP to Vis. 5000kW(Max) 2730kW(H), Aur. 273kW(H); type trans. to RCA TTU-165C; and type ant. to RCA TFU-35G (BT). Atty.: Haley, Bader & Potts	GRANTED	9-30-77

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

NON-COMMERCIAL EDUC. TV

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APPLICATION RECORD · BROADCASTING

Call Letters WCNY-TV

Name THE PUBLIC BROADCASTING COUNCIL OF CENTRAL NEW YORK, INC.
Ch-24 SYRACUSE, NEW YORK

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BRCETV-106 R&F PRESS	11-18-77 11-25-77 DEC 29 1977	Request for authority to operate trans. by remote control from 506 Old Liverpool Road, Liverpool, New York. Atty.: William J. Potts, Jr. (Haley, Bader & Potts.)	GRANTED	1-13-78
BRET-96 R&F PN RECD PRESS	1-10-78 2-1-78 2-1-78 FEB 24 1978	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Atty.: William J. Potts, Jr.	GRANTED	5-11-78
BMPET- 790326LC R&F PRESS	3-16-79 3-26-79 79 04 25	MP(BPET-568, as mod.) to extend completion date. RICHARD M. RIEHL, ATTY. (HALEY, BADER & POTTS)	GRANTED	4-25-79

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APPLICATION RECORD-BROADCASTING

NON-COMM. ED TV

Call Letters: WCNY-TV

Name: THE PUBLIC BROADCASTING COUNCIL OF CENTRAL NEW YORK, INC.
CH-24

Station Location: SYRACUSE, NEW YORK

File No.	Date	Description	Action and Date
BMPET-800311KF R&F	3-5-80 3-11-80	MP(BPET-568, as mod.) to extend completion date.	GRANTED 7-28-80
BMPET-801222KI		MP (BPET-568, as mod.) to extend completion date. (4) (9-30-77 - 1-28-81) William Potts Jr.	GRANTED 2-2-81 to 8-2-81
BRET-810126KI R & F PN REC'D	1-9-81 1-24-81 1-26-81	RENEWAL OF LICENSE	GRANTED 5-29-81 to 6-1-84
BMPET-810626KF		MP (BPET-568, as mod.) to extend completion date.	GRANTED 8-13-81 to 2-13-82

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March 1979

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.