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Form BC 126 STA Oper. 2-19-65 began 3-1-65 3 NON-COMMERCIAL EDUCATIONAL TV
June 1954 PROG. TEST AUTH. 3-26-65

BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed 6-17-65 (OFF. #83)

Call letters ~~WSUP-TV~~ WPSX-TV (9-5-64)

Station location CLEARFIELD, PA.

Name of licensee THE PENNSYLVANIA STATE UNIVERSITY

Transmitter location McGeorge Road, 7 miles North of Clearfield, Pennsylvania

Main studio location 201 WAGNER BUILDING, STATE COLLEGE, PENNSYLVANIA (Ltr. 9-29-64)
X CARNEGIE BUILDING, STATE COLLEGE, PENNSYLVANIA

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From To
BPET-141	2-28-64	CH.#3	V-100 kw	U	4-28-64
AH: 610'	MSL:2449'	60-66	A-50.1 kw		10-28-64

Construction Permit for a New Non-Comm. ED TV B/C Station

BMPET-299	9-22-64	CH.#3	V-100kw	U	4-28-64
& BMPET-322		60-66Mc	A-25kw		4-28-65

AH:880' MSL:2714' Mod. of CP(BPET-141) to ext. completion date; chg.ant. height;chg.ant.sup.structure;chg Aural ERP & chg. studio location

WIRE 2-19-65 REURLET 15. PENDING FIL. LIC. APPL., AUTH. GR. OPER. WPSX-TV TEMP. PERIOD END 3-21-65 IN EXACT ACCORD. WITH CP BMPCT-322 EXCEPT WITH MAIN STUDIO LOCATED AT TRANS. SITE. ADVISE WHEN OPERATION COMMENCES UNDER THIS AUTHORITY.

WIRE 3-26-65 RE TENDERED LIC. APPL., AUTH. GR. OPER. WPSX-TV ON PRG. TEST ACCORD. SEC. 73.629 RULES AND CP BMPET-322. AUTH. ALSO GR. OPER. WITH MAIN STUDIO LOCATED AT TRANS. SITE TEMP. PERIOD END 6-26-65

WIRE 5-13-65 REURLET 4. PROG. TEST AUTH. ISSUED 3-26-65 MODIFIED TO ALLOW OPER. WITH MAIN STUDIO AT LOCATION SPECIFIED IN BMPET-322.

BPET-227 *	6-17-65	CH. 3	V-100kw	U	6-17-65
BLET-118*	AH:880'	60-66mcs	A-20 kw	MSL:2714'	8-1-66

ISSUED TOGETHER AS MOD. OF LICENSE) License to cover CP (BPET-141, as mod.) AND CP to reduce Aural ERP

COMMISSION LETTER ADOPTED 10-27-65: GRANTED WAIVER SECTION 73.651(c) OF RULES FOR PERIOD OF ONE YEAR:re in-school programming

BRET-83	4-25-66	Same	Same	Same	8-1-66 8-1-69

RENEWAL OF LICENSE

LETTER BY COMMISSION ADOPTED 11-30-66 GRANTED WAIVER OF SEC. 73.651(c) OF RULES FOR PERIOD OF ONE YEAR re in-school programming.

LETTER BY COMMISSION ADOPTED 9-13-67 GRANTED WAIVER OF SEC. 73.651 (c) OF RULES FOR PER. END. 8-1-69 RE IN SCHOOL PROGRAMMING.

Form BC 126 Card #2
June 1954

NON-COMMERCIAL EDUCATIONAL TV

BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed 6-17-65 (OFF. NO. #83)

Call letters WPSX-TV

Station location CLEARFIELD, PA.

Name of licensee SEE CARD #1

Transmitter location SEE CARD #1

Main studio location

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From To
LETTER BY COMM. 7-31-69 GRANTED WAIVER OF SEC 73.651 (C) FOR PERIOD END. 8-1-72. RE IN SCHOOL PROGRAMMING.					
BRET-83	7-24-69	(S) RENEWAL OF LICENSE			8-1-72
BPET-412	8-17-71	CP for Alternate Main Exciter			2-17-73
WIRE	10-28-71	RE TENDERED LIC. APPLI. AUTH. GR.			
OPER ON PTA ACCORD. CP BPET-412					
BLET-292	11-23-71	Lic. (BPET-412) chg.			8-1-72
EBSA	5-15-72				
BRET-83	7-31-72	RENEWAL OF LICENSE (S)			8-1-75
LTR	8-2-72	RE IN-SCHOOL PROGRAMING			8-1-75
BRET-83	7-23-75	Renewal of license (S)			8-1-78
BRET-83	7-12-78	RENEWAL OF LICENSE (S)			6-1-81

Non-Commercial ED TV

FORM BC-121
AUG. 1955

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters WSUP-TV

Name THE PENNSYLVANIA STATE UNIVERSITY
c/o ~~Dr. C. R. Carpenter, University Park, Pennsylvania~~
PO: c/o Marlowe Froke, Director, Div. of Broadcasting, 411 Boucke St., University Park, Penna.
LTR. 3-3-64

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BPET-141 Rec.& filed	5-4-63 5-14-63	Construction permit for a new Non-Commercial Educational Television station: Ch: ~~69, 800-806 Mcs~~ ERP: Vis. ~~3.74 kw~~ Aur. ~~2.67 kw~~ Hours of Operation: Unlimited T-L: ~~Tussey Ridge at State Rd. 545, 5.1 miles South of State College, Pennsylvania~~ S-L: Carnegie Bldg, State College, Pa. (RCA ~~TTU-1B)~~ AH: ~~1129 ft.~~ STATION LOCATION: ~~STATE COLLEGE~~, PENNSYLVANIA Atty: Krieger & Jorgensen Engr: A. Earl Cullum, Jr. P.O. Box 7004 Dallas, Texas	GRANTED 2-28-64 GRANTED Bureau GR	2-28-64

See card #2

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

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Non-Commercial ED TV

FORM BC-121
AUG. 1955

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters ~~NEW~~ WSUP-TV

Name THE PENNSYLVANIA STATE UNIVERSITY
c/o ~~Dr. G. R. Carpenter,~~ University Park, Pennsylvania

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BPET-141 Cont'd from #1 AMENDED R & F	 9-16-63 9-19-63	Amended to change station location to Clearfield, Pennsylvania; frequency from Ch. 69, 800-806 Mcs to Ch. 3, 60-66 Mcs; ERP to Vis. 100 kw, Aur. 50 kw; transmitter location to On McGeorge Road 7 miles North of Clearfield, Pa.; type of transmitter to RCA TT-25BL; type of antenna to RCA TF-5CL;; make changes in antenna system; and decrease antenna height above average terrain to 612 ft. (Req. waiver of Sec. 3.613(a) of Commission's Rules)	GRANTED	2-28-64

GRANTED
Bureau GR
Feb. 8

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

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NON-COMM. ED TV

FORM BC-121
Aug. 1955

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters WSUP-TV

Name THE PENNSYLVANIA STATE UNIVERSITY
CLEARFIELD, PA.

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BMPET-299 Recd.&Filed	4-24-64 4-27-64	Mod. of CP (BPET-141,which authorized a new Non-Commercial ED TV B/C Station) to change antenna height above average terrain from 610 feet to 877 feet; and make changes in antenna supporting structure. Norman E. Jorgensen,Atty.	GRANTED issued with BMPET-322 (conditional)	9-22-64
AMENDED R & F	8-18-64 8-25-64	Amended to change Aural ERP from 50.1 kw to 25 kw; type of transmitters to RCA TT-25DL; and change studio location to Wagner Building, State College, Pennsylvania (Request Waiver of Section 73.613 of the Commission's Rules) Norman E. Jorgensen-atty		
BMPET-322 RECD.&FILED	9-16-64 9-17-64	Mod. of CP (BPET-141,which auth.a new Non-COMM.ED. TV B/C Station)to extend completion date from 10-28-64 to 4-28-65. KRIEGER & JORGENSEN,ATTY.	GRANTED issued with BMPET-299 (conditional)	9-22-64

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

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NON-COMM.ED.TV

FORM BC-121
AUG. 1955

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters WPSX-TV

Name THE PENNSYLVANIA STATE UNIVERSITY
CH. 63 CLEARFIELD, PA.

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BLET-118 Recd.&Filed	3-15-65 3-18-65	License to cover CP (BPET-141, as mod.,) which authorized a new Non-Comm. Educational TV Broadcast Station. KRIEGER & JORGENSEN, ATTY.	GRANTED	6-17-65
BPET-227 R. & F.	5-3-65 5-3-65	Construction permit to reduce Aural ERP from 25 kw to 20.0 kw Norman E. Jorgensen-atty	GRANTED 6-17-65 AS MOD. OF LICENSE and ISSUED WITH BLET-118	
LTR.& ATTACH. (3) RECV'D.	9-29-65	REQUEST FOR WAIVER OF SECTION 73.651 OF COMMISSION'S RULES re in-school programming. Norman E. Jorgensen-atty	GRANTED 10-27-65 FOR PERIOD OF ONE YEAR. COMM. LETTER ADOPTED	
BRET-83 R & F	4-8-66 5-2-66	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Krieger & Jorgensen, Atty.	GRANTED	7-29-66
BRET-83 R & F PRESS PN Recd.	4-21-69 5-1-69 MAY 1 6 1969	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Robert A. Woods, Atty.(Krieger & Jorgensen)	GRANTED	7-24-69

Amendment to HEW application filed 11-5-70 ENGR. DATA filed 2-23-71

NONCOMMERCIAL EDUCATIONAL TV

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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters WPSX-TV

Name THE PENNSYLVANIA STATE UNIVERSITY
CH-3 CLEARFIELD, PENNSYLVANIA

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BPET-412 R & F PRESS:	5-20-71 5-28-71 JUN 14 1971	CP to install Alternate Main Exciter. Atty.: George Leo (Krieger & Jorgensen)	GRANTED	8-17-71
BLET-292 R & F PRESS	10-11-71 10-18-71 NOV 8 1971	Lic. to cover (BPET-412) for chgs. Atty.: Krieger & Jorgensen	GRANTED	11-23-71
BRET-83 R & F PN REC PRESS	3-30-72 4-27-72 4-27-72 MAY 2 1972	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Norman E. Jorgensen (Jorgensen & Resnick) Amended 5-24-72 re Sec. VI.	GRANTED	7-31-72

NON-COMMERCIAL EDUCATIONAL TV

Form BC-121
September 1969

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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters WPSX-TV

Name THE PENNSYLVANIA STATE UNIVERSITY
CH-3 Clearfield, Pa.

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BRET-83 R & F PN Rec'd: PRESS:	3-13-75 4-1-75 4-1-75 24 APR 1975	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Atty: Norman E. Jorgensen (Jorgensen & Baron)	GRANTED	7-23-75
BRET-83 R&F PN RECD PRESS	3-21-78 3-27-78 3-27-78 APR [illegible] 1978	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Atty.: John Johnson, Jr.	GRANTED	7-12-78
BRET-810401KU R&F PN REC'D	3-6-81 4-1-81 4-1-81	RENEWAL OF LICENSE ATTY: JOHN G. JOHNSON, JR. (JORGENSEN, JOHNSON AND NORTHROP)	GRANTED	7-7-81

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.