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COMMERCIAL TELEVISION

BROADCASTING STATION HISTORY RECORD

CH 48

First licensed .....

Call Letters K S T S (Eff: 1-2-79) XK Q W T

Station Location SAN JOSE, CA

Name NATIONAL GROUP TELEVISION, INC.

Transmitter Location Monument Peak, approx. 10 mi. NNE of San Jose, CA (MP 14-15-79 XOn Mt. Loma Prieta, nr. San Jose, CA

Main studio location To be determined, San Jose, CA

Form BC-126
December 1978

Authorization Record

File No.	Granted	Facilities	Expires
BPCT-4893 AH:2610' MSL:3921,9' ERP: Vis. 263kW, Aur. 47.9kW CP for New Commercial Television Broadcast Station.	3-29-78	Ch-48, 674-780 Unl.	9-29-79
BPCT-4893 (1)	6-5-78	Call Letters assigned (and EBSA)	
BMPCT-790829KH & BMPCT-790917KN AH:2070' MSL:2871,6' MP(BPCT-4893) to extend completion date; and MP(BPCT-4893) to chg. ERP, TL, type trans. and ant., and HAAT.	11-15-79	Ch-48, 674-680MHz Unl. ERP: Vis. 1620kW(DA)H&V);Aur.165kW(DA)H&V	5-15-80
BSTV-790820KE	2-15-80	Subscription Television Authority	
BMPCT-800415KE	7-22-80	MP(BPCT-4893) to extend completion date to	1-22-81
BMPCT-801223KE (4)	2-24-81	Extension of time to 8-24-81	

COMMERCIAL TV

Form BC-121
September 1969

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters (NEW) K Q W T

Name NATIONAL GROUP TELEVISION, INC.
CH-48 SAN JOSE, CALIFORNIA (PO 1666 The Alameda, San Jose, CA 95126)

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BPCT-4893	10-1-75	CP for new TV on: Freq.: Ch-48, 674-680MHz	GRANTED	3-29-78
R & F	10-1-75	ERP: Vis. 450kW(Max), 264kW(H), Aur. 47.4kW(H)	COMMISSION ACTION	
#481960 $500	10-1-75	HAAT: 2614 ft.		
AC: 001		TL: Top of Mt. Loma Prieta, nr. San Jose, Calif. (37-06-40 121-50-29)		
PRESS:		SL: To be determined, San Jose, Calif.		
PN REC'D:	30 OCT 1975 10-31-75	Trans.: RCA TTU-30C Ant.: RCA TFU-24J (BT)		
		REQUEST WAIVER OF SECTION 73.685(a) OF THE RULES.		
		MUTUALLY EXCLUSIVE WITH BPCT-4790		
		Atty.: Mullin, Connor and Rhyne		
		Engr.: H. Drew Lawson, Jr. (Silliman, Moffet & Kowalski)		
		AMENDED 2-18-76 re legal		
		AMENDED 5-14-76 resp. Comm. ltr. 3-15-76 re legal, financial and programming.		

JOINT REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF AGREEMENT; DISMISSAL OF APPLICATION OF THE REGINALD A. FESSENDEN EDUCATIONAL FUND, INC.; AND GRANT OF APPLICATION OF NATIONAL GROUP TELEVISION, INC., filed 12-29-76 by Lorenzo W. Milam on behalfoof The Reginald A. Fessenden Educational Fund, Inc. add National Group Television, Inc..

MEMORANDUM OPINION AND ORDER adopted 3-29-78, released 3-30-78 BC 98974: ACCORDINGLY, IT IS ORDERED, That the joint request for approval of agreement filed December 29, 1976, by Geginald A. Fessenden Educational Fund, Inc., and National Group Televinion, Inc., is GRANTED; that such agreement is APPROVED; that the application (BPCT-4893) of National Group Television, Inc. for a construction permit for a new television broadcast station on Channel 48, San Jose, Californi is GRANTED; and that the application (BPCT-4790) of the Reginald A. Fessenden Educational Fund, Inc., IS DISMISSED.

Form BC-121
May 1976

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters KSTS ~~(New)~~ KQWT

Name NATIONAL GROUP TELEVISION, INC.

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BPCT-4893	Cont'd.	Amended 1-25-77 re substitution of additonal information. Amended 7-22-77 re finacial Amended 11-2-77 re legal & finacial Amended 12-7-77 re additional information Amended 3-3-78 re engineering		
BSTV-790820KE R & F PRESS: ~~PROCESSING~~ '79 0914 PN REC'D:	8-16-79 8-20-79 9-14-79 10-1-79	Request authority to install Subscription Television equipment. Atty.: Nathaniel F. Emmons (Mullin, Connor and Rhyne)	GRANTED	2-15-80

CARD#3

COMMERCIAL TELEVISION
APPLICATION RECORD BROADCASTING

Call Letters: K S T S

Name: NATIONAL GROUP TELEVISION, INC.
CH-48

Station Location: SAN JOSE, CA

File No.	Date	Description	Action and Date
BMPCT-790829KH R & F PRESS:	8-24-79 8-28-79 10-11-79	MP(BPCT-4893) to extend completion date. Atty.: Nathaniel F. Emmons (Mullin, Connor and Rhyne)	GRANTED 11-15-79 ISSUED WITH BMPCT-790917KN
BMPCT-790917KN R & F PRESS:	9-14-79 9-17-79 10-11-79	MP(BPCT-4893) to chg. ERP to Vis. 4390kW H&V, Aur. 439kW H&V; TL to On top of Monument Peak, San Jose, CA (37-29-05.0 121-51-50.5); type trans. to Harris BT-110U; type ant. to EMI CP UHF panel (BT); and HAAT 2070 ft. H&V. Atty.: Nathaniel F. Emmons (Mullin, Connor and Rhyne)	GRANTED 11-15-79 Issued with BMPCT-790829KH
BMPCT-800415KE R & F	4-11-80 4-15-80	MP(BPCT-4893, as mod) to extend completion date	GRANTED 7-22-80

Form BC-121
March 1979

PETITION FOR RECONSIDERATION 12-7-79 by Seymour M. Chase for Donald B. Thomson.

MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME 12-20-79 by Howard M. Weiss for National Group

INFORMAL OBJECTION 12-11-79 by Seymour M. Chase for Donald B. Thomson.

PETITION FOR LEAVE TO AMEND 1-7-80 by Samuel Miller for Channel 19, Inc.

OPPOSITION TO INFORMAL OBJECTION 1-4-80 by Nathaniel F. Emmons for National Group.

OPPOSITION TO PETITION FOR RECONSIDERATION 1-7-80 by Nathaniel F. Emmons.

APPLICATION RECORD—BROADCASTING

COMMERCIAL TV

Call Letters: KSTS

Name: NATIONAL GROUP TELEVISION, INC.

CH-48

Station Location: SAN JOSE, CALIFORNIA

File No.	Date	Description	Action and Date
BMPCT-801223KE		MP (BPCT-4893, as mod) to extend completion date. (4) (3-29-78 - 1-22-81) Howard Weiss	GRANTED 2-24-81
BRCCT-801222KK		Request for auth. to oper. trans. by RC from SL located at 2349 Bering Drive, San Jose, Ca. Atty.: Howard Weiss	
BLCT-810511KG		Lic. to cover BPCT-4893, as mod for a new sta.	

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.