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First CP: 5-27-53 started 10-18-53

COMM. TV

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BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

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Date first licensed 4-21-58 (Off. #421)

Call letters WRAU-TV (5-1-71)
XWIRL-TV (9-13-65)

Station location PEORIA, ILLINOIS

Name of licensee FORWARD OF ILLINOIS, INC. (BALCT-412 3--24-71 EFF: 5-1-71)

Transmitter location Stewart & Leonard Sts., Creve Coeur, Ill. (BMPCT-2345 gr. 8-23--54)

Main studio location 500 N. Stewart St., Creve Coeur, Ill. (Redesc. BRC 9-6-72)
XStewart & Leonard Sts., Creve Coeur, Ill (BMPCT-2345 gr. 8-23-54)

B.S. CARD #1 CH 19 BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD COMMERCIAL TV B/C

First C.O. 5-27-53 (Started 10-18-53) WIRL-TV (EFF: 9-13-65)

Date first licensed 4-21-58 (Off. No. 421) NDEA Call letters [illegible] (Ltr. 8-3-55)

(Station Loc: Peoria, Illinois)

MID AMERICA MEDIA, INC. (BMLCT-340 10-20-65)

X TWELVE NINETY RADIO CORPORATION (BALCT-268 7-21-65 EFF: 9-1-65

X METROMEDIA, INC. (BMLCT-95 5-11-61)

~~X METROPOLITAN BROADCASTING CORPORATION (BALCT-102 12-29-59 EFF: 2-11-60)~~

Name of licensee ~~X HILLTOP BROADCASTING COMPANY~~

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Stewart & Leonard Sts., Creve Coeur, Ill. (BMPCT-2345 gr. 8-23-54 Lic. 4-21-58 1-11-54

x Intersection of Stewart & Leonard Sts., Creve Coeur, Ill. (BMPCT-1556)

Transmister location x235 South Jefferson Ave., Peoria, Ill.

Stewart & Leonard Sts., Creve Coeur, Ill. (BMPCT-2345 gr. 8-23-54) (Lic. 4-21-58) not a mov 1-11-54

x Intersection of Stewart & Leonard Sts., Creve Coeur, Ill. (BMPCT-1556)

Main studio location x235 South Jefferson Ave., Peoria, Ill.

FCC-65

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From-- To--
BPCT-1023	12-17-52	Ch. 19, 500-506 mcs.	7-95 kw 1-54 kw	U	2-17-53 8-17-53
Construction permit for a new Commercial TV B/C Station.					
Request dated 4-20-53, recd. same date to operate commercially at WTVH(AM) site DENIED Letter 5-6-53 (See Order dismissing BMPCT-1070, on same date)					
	5-27-53 COMMISSION GRANTED STA* (in connection with CP to operate on Ch.# 19) to locate transmitter & studio at Creve Coeur, site of AM Station WTVH, about 3 miles from Peoria, for period ending 8-17-53 (expiration of CP): Conditioned (1) that no construction be commence until an informal application to modify the antenna system of WTVH, as proposed, is filed and granted: (2) that this authority is temporary and not of a continuing nature; and (3) the WTVH-TV will move from the WTVH site upon notice from the Commission without hearing: Comm. Hennock Dissented. 5-27-53 8-17-53 * COMMERCIAL OPERATION.				
BMPCT-1292 Mod. (BPCT-1023)	8-14-53	same	same	same	2-17-53 2-17-54
		extend completion date.			
WIRE	8-17-53	Ext.STA operate commercial basis exact accord. CP BPCT-1023 as mod. by BMPCT-1292 except located at Trans. Site of WTVH at Greve Coeur, Ill., with Ant. mounted atop center tower of WTVH Ant. System & replacing an unused FM Ant. Subject to conditions that: (1) this auth. is temporary & not of continuing nature, (2) you will move from proposed site upon notice from Comm. without hearing. Period ending February 17, 1954.			
WIRE	10-1-53	Mod.STA operate comm. basis accord. CP BMPCT-1292 except located at trans. site WTVH, Greve Couer, Ill, with ant. mounted atop center tower of WTVH ant. sys. & replacing an unused FM ant. with RCA TTU-1B trans, power output 1 kw vis, 0.6 kw aur. & RCA TFU-25BLS, 16-sec. ant. Subj. to cond:(1) this auth. temp. & not of continuing nature (2) you will move from proposed site upon notice from the Commission. Period ending February 17, 1954.(started 10-12-53)			

B S Card # 2

BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

COMM. TV B/C
WIRL-TV EFT: 9-13-65

Date first licensed .....

Call letters X WEVH-TV

Name of licensee HILLTOP BROADCASTING COMPANY

Transmitter location see card # 1

Main studio location see card # 1

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CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl.	Date		Power	Time Div.	Period From-- To--
BMPCT-1556	1-11-54	Ch. # 19 500-506mc	V97.7kw A53.7kw	U	2-17-53 7-11-54
Mod. of CP(BPCT-1023, as mod., to chg. ERP, trans. & Studio location.					
2-17-54	MOD & EXT STA Opr. Comm basis accordance CP BMPCT-1556, except using RCA TTU1B transmitter, power output 1 kw Vis. 0.6 kw Aur. Period Ending 7-11-54				
BTC-1715	4-28-54	Voluntary transfer of control of permitte corporation from Hugh R. Norman and Edward C. Schoede to The Peoria Journal Star, Inc.			
1-11-54					
BMPCT-2205	6-28-54	Same	Same	Same	2-17-53 12-11-54
Mod. of CP(BPCT-1023, as mod.) to ext. comp. date.					
Wire	7-1-54	EXT STA Opr. Comm basis accord CP BMPCT-2205 except using RCA TTU-1B transmitter, power output 1kw Vis. 0.6 kw aur. Period Ending 12-11-54.			
BMPCT-2345	8-23-54	same	Vis-214kw Aur-115	same	2-17-53 2-23-55
Mod.CP(BPCT-1023, as Mod) to chg. ERP, install new transmitters correct coordinates, Make antenna & other equipment chgs.					
Wire	11-10-54	Mod. STA Opr. Comm. basis accord CP BMPCT-2345 pending filing of Lic.Appl.Per.End. 2-23-55			
BMPCT-2835	2-7-55	same	same	same	2-17-53 8-23-55
Mod. CP(BPCT-1023, as mod) to extend completion date					
WIRE	2-15-55	EXT.STA Opr. Comm. Basis accord CP BMPCT-2835 pending filing of Lic. Appl. Per.End. 8-23-55.			
BMPCT-3276	7-25-55	same	same	same	2-17-53 2-23-56
Mod.CP(BPCT-1023, as mod) to extend completion date					
WIRE	8-8-55	EXT STA OPER COMM BASIS ACCORD CP(BMPCT-3276) PENDING FILING OF LIC. APPLI. AUTHOR EXPIRES 2-23-56.			
BMPCT-3393 AH 610 ft.	10-13-55	same	V-191kw A-129 kw	same	2-17-53 4-13-56
Mod.CP(BPCT-1023, as mod) to chg. ERP, install a new Ant.Sys. a slight chg in coordinates on TL.& make other equip.chgs. (See Mod. of this authorization dated 1-1-56)					

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Card #3

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BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed .....

Call letters WTVE-TV

Name of licensee HILLTOP BROADCASTING COMPANY

Transmitter location see card #1

Main studio location see card #1

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From-- To--
WIRE	1-3-56	EXT. STA granted to operate comm. basis facilities specified CP(BMPCT-3276) for period ending 4-13-56.			
BMPCT-3393	1-9-56	same	same	same	2-17-53 4-13-56
Modified to change specifications		Obstruction (Letter 1-16-56)		Marking (610')	
WIRE	2-27-56	Pending repair Ant. Sys. mod. of auth. gr.to Opr. WTVH temp.Per.End. 3-16-56 Comm. basis accord. facilities specdfd CP BMPCT-3276,except using single Dipole Ant. mounted on WTVH Tower,Advise when Regular ant. back in service.			
WIRE	2-29-56	Pending completion of construction,mod. of auth. gr. to Opr. WTVH Temp.Per.End. 4-13-56 Comm.basis accord. CP BMPCT-3393 including obstruction marking spcfc's except using TFU-24BLS ant. mounted at 486-foot level of supporting tower. Advise when such operation commences.			
BMPCT-3838	3-27-56	same	same	same	2-17-53
Mod.CP(BPCT-1023,as mod)to extend completion dt 10-13-56					
WIRE	4-11-56	Pending completion of construction,ext. auth.gr. Opr. WTVH Temp.Per.End. 10-13-56 Comm.basis accord. CP BMPCT-3838,except using RCA TFU-24 BLS antenna mounted at 486 foot level of supporting tower.			
BMPCT-4076	7-6-56	same	V-186 kw	same	2-17-53
AH 660 ft.			A-100 kw		1-6-57
Mod.CP(BPCT-1023,as mod)to chg. ERP,make antenna & other equipment changes.					
WIRE	9-24-56	Pending filing of Lic. Appl.,Mod.of auth. gr. to Opr. WTVH Temp.Per.End. 1-6-57,Comm. basis accord. CP BMPCT-4076.			
BMPCT-4424	12-21-56	Same	Same	Same	2-7-53
Mod.CP(BPCT-1023,as mod.)to extend comnletion date 7-6-57					
WIRE	1-3-57	PENDING FILING LIC. APPL. EXT.AUTH.OPR. COMM.BASIS ACCORD. MPCT-4424 to 7-6-57			
BPCT-2391	10-2-57	CH 7 19 Pot Yes Maint 12-2-57 4-1-58 SMRG. CAL			
CP to install aux ant system at the main transmitter site					
WIRE	7-8-57	EXT.AUTH.OPR. ACCORD.MPCT-4424 to 8-6-57			
WIRE	8-7-57	PROGRAM TESTS AUTHORIZED MPCT-4424			

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Date first licensed _____

Call letters WTVH

Station location PEORIA, ILLINOIS

Name of licensee HILLTOP BROADCASTING COMPANY

Transmitter location SEE CARD # 1

Main studio location _____

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From-- To--
BMPCT-5069	4-9-58	same	same	same	12-2-57
AUX. ANT.					7-1-58
MOd. of CP (BPCT-2391) to extend completion date					
BLCT-667	4-21-58	CH#19	V-186 kw	U	4-21-58 12-1-58
AH: 660'		500-506	A-100 kw	MAIN TRANSMITTER AND	
License to cover CP(BPCT-1023, as mod). ANTENNA					
WIRE	5-12-58	AUTH. GR. OPR. WTVH AUX. ANT. ON PROGRAM			
TEST ACCORD. SEC. 3.629 RULES & CP BMPCT-5069. EIC. BLCT830.					
COMM. ACTION 11-25-58 ACTION ON RENEWAL DEFERRED CONTINUED					
OPERATION AUTHORIZED.					
BLCT-830	6-8-59	CH# 19	Emergency		6-8-59
AUX. ANT.		500-506		(MSL:1340')	12-1-61
Lic. to cover CP(BPCT-2391, as mod) Auth. installation of					
aux. ant sys. at main transmitter site.					
BRCT-421	6-3-59	same	same	same	6-3-59/12-1-61
MAIN TRANS. AND ANTENNA RENEWAL OF LICENSE					
BALCT-102	12-29-59	Voluntary assignment of licensee			
corporation to METROPOLITAN BROADCASTING CORPORATION.					
EFF:	2-11-60				
BMLCT-95	5-11-61	CH #19	V-186 kw	U	5-11-61 12-1-61
AH: 660		500-506	A-100 kw		
Main Trans. & Ant/ Mod. of License to change name to					
MetroMedia, Inc.					
BMLCT-95	5-11-61	CH #19		Emerg. Test	5-11-61 12-1-61
Aux. Antenna		500-506		& Maint.	
Mod. of License to change name to MetroMedia, Inc.					
BRCT-421	11-29-61	CH #19	V-186 kw	U	12-1-61
AH: 660'		500-506	A-100 kw		12-1-64
Main Trans. & Ant. RENEWAL OF LICENSE COND.					
BRCT-421	11-29-61	CH #19	Emerg. Test, Maint.		12-1-61
					12-1-64
Aux. Antenna RENEWAL OF LICENSE COND.					
BRCT-421	11-29-61	CH. #19	V-186 kw	U	12-1-61
AH: 660'		500-506	A-100 kw	MAIN TRANS. & A	12-1-64
SUPERSEDED 6-17-64 To show deletion of special tower paint.					
BRCT-421	11-29-61	CH. #19	--EMERG. TEST &		12-1-61
AUX. ANT.		500-506	MAINT. ONLY		12-1-64
SUPERSEDED LT. 6-17-64 To show deletion of Special tower pa					

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WIRL-TV EFF: 9-13-65

Date first licensed .....

Call letters W T V H

Station location PEORIA, ILLINOIS

Name of licensee METROMEDIA, INC.

Transmitter location SEE CARD #1

Main studio location .....

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From-- To-
BMLCT-151	6-16-64	CH.19	V: 186 kw	U	6-16-64
AH: 660'		500-506	A: 18.6 kw		12-1-64
Mod. of License to reduce Aural ERP. MAIN TRANS. & ANTENNA					
ACTION ON RENEWAL DEFERRED 12-9-64					
BRCT-421	4-15-65	same	same	same	4-15-65
MAIN TRANS. & ANTENNA RENEWAL OF LICENSE					12-1-67
BRCT-421	4-15-65	same	same	same	4-15-65
AUXILIARY ANTENNA RENEWAL OF LICENSE					12-1-67
BALCT-268	7-21-65	Voluntary assignment of License to Twelve Ninety Radio Corporation. EFF: 9-1-65			
BMLCT-340	10-20-65	CH. 19	V-186 kw	U	10-20-65
AH:660' MSL:1349'		500-506	A-18.6 kw		12-1-67
MAIN TRANS. & ANT. Mod. of License to change name					
BMLCT-340	10-20-65	CH. 19	FOR TEST.,MAINT. &		10-20-65
AH:656' MSL:1340'		500-506	EMERG. OPER. ONLY		12-1-67
AUX. ANTENNA Mod. of License to change name					
BRCT-421	11-24-67	same	same	same	12-1-67
MAIN TRANS. & ANTENNA RENEWAL OF LICENSE					12-1-70
BRCT-421	11-24-67	same	same	same - NDEA	12-1-67
AUX ANTENNA RENEWAL OF LICENSE					12-1-70
WIRE CONTROL ACCORD. STATEMENT ACCOMPANYING REQUEST AND SEC. 73.676 RULES. AUTH. GR. OPERATE WIRL-TV VIA REMOTE PROCEDURE OUTLINED IN ENGINEERING					
BTC-5908	5-15-69	VOL. T/C			
BRCT-421	11-25-70	(1) RENEWAL OF LICENSE			12-1-73
(NDEA)	MAIN TRANS. & ANT.			AUX. ANT.	12 1 76
BRCT-421	SUPERSEDING AUTHORIZATIONS MAILED 2-24-71 to remove condition				
BALCT-412	3-24-71	Vol A/C			
BPCT-4447	7-26-71	Ch. 19	V. 813 kw	U	9-26-71
AH:660'MSL: 1340'		500-506	A. 81.3		1-26-73
CP chg. ERP & type trans.					
BRCT-421	11-25-70	Superseded & mailed 8-18-71 to correct Hamsl.			

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BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed .....

Call letters WRAU-TV

Station location .....

Name of licensee .....

Transmitter location .....

Main studio location .....

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From- To-
WIRE	8-18-71	PENDING INSTALLATION OF NEW TRANS. EQPT. PER BPCT-4447. AUTH. GR. OPER. WITHOUT FILTERPLEXER AS REQ. TEMP. PER. END. 9-17-71 SUBJECT TO CAUSING NO INTERFERENCE TO OTHER AUTHORIZED SERVICES.			
WIRE	9-3-71	ABOVE AUTH. EXT. TO			10-4-71
Wire trans.& ant.on PTA accord.73.629 & BCT-4447.	9-16-71	Re tend'd.lic.appl.auth.grtd.oper.Main			
BTC-6699	12-6-71	Vol. T/C			
BLCT-2112	10-21-71	Lic. (BPCT-4447) chg.			12-1-73
EBSA	5-15-72				
BRCTV-64	9-6-72	OPER. REMOTE CONTROL			
BRCT-421 (Main Trans. & Ant. -Aux. Ant.)	11-28-73	RENEWAL OF LICENSE (L)			12-1-76
WIRE	8-27-75	Auth. grtd. use ITT type Z159/210Z Klystron in GATES type BT-55U trans. in lieu of Varian typ VA-953G this auth. superceeds that issued on 8-25-75.			
BRCT-421 MAIN TRANS.	11-17-76 AND ANT.	Renewal of license (S) AUX. ANT.			12-1-79
BRCT-~~790801KE~~	11-30-79	RENEWAL OF LICENSE(S)			12-1-82
BPCT-800722KF	10-9-80	CP TO CHG. ERP, TRANS.,ANT., AND OTHER ANT. CHGS. AH: 640' V. 501.25; A. 505.75KW CH-19; Uni; 500-506;			4-4-82

CARD #1

FORM A-170

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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

COMMERCIAL TV B/C

Call WTVH-TV

Letters ~~[illegible]~~

Name HILLTOP BROADCASTING COMPANY

x ~~(c/o Hugh R. Norman, 324 Main St., Davenport, Iowa)~~ see Card #2

~~Office (P.O. Jefferson Hotel, 235 South Jefferson Street~~, Peoria, Ill.) SEE ~~Action~~ CARD # 2

File No.	Dated	Application for	Nature	Date
BPCT-1023 Rec'd Filed	7-8-52 7-9-52 7-15-52	Construction permit for a new Commercial TV Broadcast Station. Frequency: Ch. #19, (500-506 Mcs.) ERP: ~~Vis. 90.8 kw, Aur. 51.5 kw~~ Hours of operation: Unlimited S-L: ~~"To be determined", Tazwell County, Illinois~~ T-L: ~~Intersection Stewart & Leonard, Creve Coeur, Ill.~~ (Vis. & Aur. DuMont Type No. 15000) (~~275.8'~~) Filed by Eugene L. Burke, Atty.	GRANTED	12-17-52
Amended Rec'd Filed	7-14-52 7-15-52 7-15-52	Amended to change ERP from Vis. 90.8 kw, Aur. 51.5 kw to Vis. 93.5 kw, Aur. 53 kw, studio location from "to be determined", Tazwell County, Illinois to Jefferson Hotel, 235 So. Jefferson Ave., Peoria, Ill., transmitter location from Intersection Stewart & Leonard, Creve Coeur, Ill. to Jefferson Hotel, 235 So. Jefferson Ave., Peoria, Ill., and to make equipment changes. (277.5') Filed by Eugene L. Burke, Atty.		

Walter F. Kean, Engr.
1 Riverside Road
Riverside, Illinois

Card # 2
FORM A-170
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C omm TV B/C (U)

Call Letters WTVH-TV

Name HILLTOP BROADCASTING COMPANY
~~(P.O. 406 Bayette Bldg., Peoria, Illinois)~~

PO: ~~421 Main Street, Peoria, Illinois: Ltr. 2-19-58 EFF. 3-1-58~~
231 NORTH MADISON AVENUE, PEORIA, ILLINOIS

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BPCT-1023 Amended Rec'd Filed	 11-10-52 11-20-52 11-20-52	Amended to change Officers, Directors and Stockholders	GRANTED see Card # 1	12-17-52
BMPCT-1070 Recd Filed	4-8-53 4-9-53	Modification of CP (BPCT-1023 as amended which authorized a new commercial TV b/c station) to change ERP from Vis 95 kw, Aur 54 kw to Vis 90.8 kw, Aur 51.5 kw change transmitter and studio location from 235 South Jefferson Avenue, Peoria, Ill. to Intersection, Stewart & Leonard Street, Creve Coeur, Illinois. (This site is approx. 2 miles from the center of the city of Peoria, Ill.) (275.8') Filed by Eugene L. Burke, Atty.	DISMISSED without prejudice (Order 5-6-53)	
Amended Recd Filed	4-11-53 4-14-53	Amended to request waiver of Sec. 3.613(b) of the Commission's Rules. Filed by Eugene L. Burke, Atty.		

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Call Letters WTVH-TV

Name HILLTOP BROADCASTING COMPANY

Peoria, Ill.

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BMPCT-1292 Rec'd Filed	8-3-53 8-5-53 8-5-53	Mod. of construction permit (BPCT-1023, which authorized a new comm'l TV B/C station) for extension of completion date from August 17, 1953 to February 17, 1954. Filed by Eugene L. Burke, Atty.	GRANTED	8-14-53
BMPCT-1556 Recd. Filed	11-3-53 11-12-53 11-12-53	Mod. of CP(BPCT-1023, as mod., which authorized a new Comm. TV B/C station) to change ERP from Vis. 95 kw, Aur. 54 kw to Vis. 90.8 kw, Aur. 53 kw, change transmitter and studio location from 235 South Jefferson Ave., Peoria, Illinois to Intersection of Stewart and Leonard Streets, Creve Coeur, Illinois(WTVH AM Transmitter and studio site) and request waiver of Sec. 3.613 of the Commission's Rules. (275.8') Filed by Eugene L. Burke, Atty.	GRANTED	1-11-54

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

Card # 4

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COMM. TV B/C

Call Letters WTVH-TV

Name HILLTOP BROADCASTING COMPANY
Peoria, Illinois

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BTC-1715 Recd. &Filed	4-12-54 4-15-54	Voluntary transfer of control of permittee corporation from Hugh R. Norman and Edward C. Schoede to The Peoria Journal Star, Inc. Filed by Marcus Cohn, Atty.	GRANTED	4-28-54
BMPCT-2205 Recd. Filed	6-16-54 6-17-54 6-17-54	Mod. of CP(BPCT-1023, as mod., which authorized a new Comm. TV B/C Station) to extend completion date From 7-11-54 to 12-11-54. Filed by Marcus Cohn, Atty.	GRANTED	6-28-54
BMPCT-2345 Recd & filed	7-28-54 7-29-54	Mod. of CP (BPCT-1023 as mod. which auth. a new comm. TV b/c station) to change ERP from V. 97.7 kw, A. 53.7 kw to V. 214.8 kw, A. 115.9 kw, install new transmitters,* make antenna and other equipment changes. (V. & A. RCA-TTU-12A) (236') Filed by Marcus Cohn, Atty. *correct co-ordinates (not a move)	GRANTED	8-23-54

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COMM. TV B/C

Call Letters WTVH (Ltr. 2-3-55) ~~WTVH-TV~~

Name HILLTOP BROADCASTING COMPANY
Peoria, Illinois

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BMPCT-2835 Recd&Filed	1-28-55 2-2-55	Mod. of CP(BPCT-1023, as mod., which authorized a new Comm. TV B/C Sta.) to extend completion date from 2-23-55 to 8-23-55. Filed by Marcus Cohn, Atty.	GRANTED	2-7-55
BMPCT-3276 Recd&filed Ext.#4	7-11-55 7-15-55	Mod. of CP (BPCT-1023,as mod., which authorized a new Comm. TV B/C Sta.) to extend completion date from 8-23-55 to 2-23-56. Filed by Marcus Cohn, Atty.	GRANTED	7-25-55
BMPCT-3393 Recd.&Filed	9-2-55 9-6-55	Mod. of CP(BPCT-1023, as mod., which authorized a new Comm. TV B/C Sta.) to change ERP from Vis. 214 kw, Aur. 115 kw to Vis. 171 kw, Aur. 92.3 kw,install a ~~[illegible]~~ DCV antenna system & specify a slight change in transmitter location(chg. in coordinates only) and make other equipment changes. (1010') Filed by Marcus Cohn, Atty.	GRANTED	10-13-55

(CONT'D CARD #6)

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Call Letters COMM TV B/C WTVH

Name HILLTOP BROADCASTING COMPANY (Peoria, Illinois)

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
(CONTD. from Card #5) BMPCT-3393	10-4-55 Recd. 10-5-55 Filed 10-5-55	Amended to change ERP from V-171 kw, A-92.3 kw to V-188.4 kw, A-101.6 kw and to make further antenna changes. (608') Filed by Marcus Cohn, Atty.	SEE ACTION CARD #5	
BMPCT-3492 Recd.&Filed	10-18-55 10-20-55	Mod. of CP(BPCT-1023, as mod., which authorized a new Comm. TV B/C Sta.) to change ERP from Vis. 191 kw, Aur. 129 kw to Vis. 171 kw, Aur. 92.3 kw and make antenna change. (1010') Filed by Marcus Cohn, Atty.	Petition to dismiss without prejudice (Granted by Order of 6-28-56 Doc. 11604)	
BMPCT-3838 Recd.&filed Ext.#5	3-20-56 3-22-56	Mod. of CP(BPCT-1023, as mod., which authorized a new Comm. TV B/C Sta.) to extend completion date from 4-13-56 to 10-13-56. Filed by Leonard H. Marks, Atty.	GRANTED	3-27-56
BMPCT-4076 Recd. Filed *date of dismissal of BMPCT-3492(Doc.11604)	6-22-56 6-27-56 6-28-56*	Mod. of CP(BPCT-1023, as mod., which authorized a new Comm. TV B/C Sta.) to change ERP fr. Vis-191 kw, Aur. 129kw to Vis. 186.2kw Aur. 100.5 kw and to make antenna and other equipment changes. (660'). Filed by Marcus Cohn, Atty.	GRANTED	7-6-56

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FORM BC-121
AUG. 1955

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

COMM. TV B/C

Call Letters WTVH

Name HILLTOP BROADCASTING COMPANY
Peoria, Illinois

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BMPCT-4424 Recd.& Filed Ext. # 7	12-12-56 12-13-56	Mod.of CP(BPCT-1023,as mod.,which authorized a new Comm. TV B/C Sta.)to extend completion date from 1-6-57 to 7-6-57. Filed by Marcus Cohn,Atty.	GRANTED	12-21-56
BLCT-667 Recd & Filed Main trans & ant	6-20-57 6-26-57	License to cover CP (BPCT-1023, as mod.) which authorized a new Comm. TV b/c station. Filed by Marcus Cohn, Atty.	GRANTED	4-21-58
BPCT-2391 Recd & Filed AUX. ANT.	8-16-57 8-27-57	CP to install auxiliary antenna system at the main transmitter site. (RCA, Di-pole, 1-section) Marcus Cohn, Atty.	GRANTED	10-2-57
BMPCT-5069 Recd.&filed Ext. # 1 AUX. ANT.	3-25-58 3-26-58	Mod. of CP (BPCT-2391, which authorized CP to install Auxiliary Antenna System) to extend completion date from 4-1-58 to 10-1-58. Filed by M. Cohn, Atty.	GRANTED	4-9-58

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COMM TV B/C

Call Letters W T V H

Name ~~METROMEDIA, INC. (5-11-61)~~
~~METROPOLITAN BROADCASTING CORPORATION~~
~~WILLROW BROADCASTING COMPANY~~
Peoria, Illinois

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BLCT-830 Recd & Filed AUX. ANT.	5-5-58 5-8-58	License to cover CP (BPCT-2391, as mod.) which authorized installation of auxiliary antenna system at the main transmitter site. Marcus Cohn, Atty.	GRANTED	6-8-59
BRCT-421 Recd & Filed MAIN TRANS. & ANTENNA	8-28-58 9-9-58	Renewal of License. Filed by Paul Dobin, Attorney	GRANTED	6-3-59
BALCT-102 R & F	11-12-59 11-13-59	Voluntary assignment of licensee corporation to Metropolitan Broadcasting Corporation John A. Rafter, Atty for Assignee (Dow, Lohnes and Albertson) (Cohn & Marks) Marcus Cohn, Atty for Assignor	GRANTED EFFP	12-29-59 2-11-60
BMLCT-95 Recd.&Filed (MAIN & AUX)	3-30-61 3-30-61	Mod. of License (BRCT-421) to change name from Metropolitan Broadcasting Corporation TO MetroMedia, Inc. John A. Rafter, Atty.	GRANTED	5-11-61

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Letters X W T V H

Name METROMEDIA, INC.
Peoria, Ill.

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BRCT-421 Recd.&Filed MAIN TRANS.	9-1-61 9-5-61 & ANTENNA	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Wm. P. Sims, Jr. Atty.	GRANTED CONDITION*	11-29-61
BRCT-421 Recd.&Filed AUX.ANTENNA	9-1-61 9-5-61	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Wm.P. Sims, Jr. Atty.	GRANTED CONDITION*	11-29-61

*Subject condition that grant is without prejudice to whatever action, if any, the Comm. may dee warranted as a result of any final determination reached by the Comm. in connection with In Re Applications of WORZ, Inc. and Mid-Florida Television Corp. For CP's for New TV Stations CH.9 Docket Nos. 11081 and 11083.

BMLCT-151 Recd.&Filed Main Trans.& Antenna	5-26-64 5-27-64	MODIFICATION of License to reduce Aural ERP from 100 kw to 18.6 kw. Thomas J. Dougherty, Atty.	GRANTED	6-16-64

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COMM.TV

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W-P-V-H

MID AMERICA MEDIA, INC. (10-20-6[illegible]
X TWELVE NINETY RADIO CORPORATION[illegible]

Name X METROMEDIA, INC.

CH.19 PEORIA, ILLINOIS

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BRCT-421 Recd.&Filed MAIN TRANS. & ANTENNA	9-2-64 9-2-64	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Thos. J. Dougherty, Atty	GRANTED	4-15-65
BRCT-421 Recd.&Filed AUXILIARY ANTENNA	8-14-64 9-2-64	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Thos. J. Dougherty, Atty	GRANTED	4-15-65
BALCT-268 Rec. & filed	4-26-65 4-30-65	Voluntary assignment of license to Twelve Ninety Radio Corporation. Tom J. Dougherty atty for assignor Ben C. Fisher, atty for assignee (Fisher, Wayland et al)	GRANTED EFF: 9-1-65	7-21-65
BMLCT-340 Recd.&Filed MAIN & AUX.	9-29-65 9-30-65	Mod. of License to change name to MID AMERICA MEDIA, INC. Ben C. Fisher, Atty. (FISHER, WAYLAND, DUVALL, SOUTHMAYD)	GRANTED	10-20-65

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Name MID AMERICA MEDIA, INC.
CH.19 PEORIA, ILLINOIS

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BRCT-421 R & F MAIN TRANS.& ANTENNA SEP 7 1967	8-22-67 8-25-67	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Ben C. Fisher, Atty.	GRANTED	11-24-67
BRCT-421 R & F AUXILIARY ANTENNA OCT 9 1967	9-14-67 9-15-67	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Peter Sevareid,Atty. RENEWAL OF NDEA	GRANTED	11-24-67
Orig.&2 copies	3-4-68 3-8-68	REQUEST FOR AUTHORITY to operate WIRL-TV by Remote Control, pursuant to Section 73.676 of Commission's Rules Ben C. Fisher, Atty. Amendment filed 4-23-68	$30.00 fee refunded trans. # 412373 GRANTED	5-1-68

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Name MID AMERICA MEDIA, INC.
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File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BTC-5908 R & F Press PN Rec'd (Form 316) #503448 $30	3-25-69 4-1-69 APR 11 1969 4-1-69	Voluntary transfer of control of licensee corporation from Kankakee Daily Journal Company to Burrell L. Small. Fisher, Wayland, Duvall & Southmayd, Atty.	GRANTED EFF:	5-15-69 7-28-69
Engr.data filed 7-2-70				
BALCT-412 R & F #613048 $150 PRESS: PN REC'D: GRANT FEE DUE: GRANT FEE PAID:	7-22-70 7-9-70 7-9-70 JUL 16 1970 8-5-70 $55,000.00 $55,000.00 5-17-71.	Voluntary assignment of license to Forward of Illinois, Inc. Attys.: Fisher, Wayland, Duvall, Southmayd & Cooper (Assignor) Thomas N. Frohock (McKenna & Wilkinson)(Assignee) Amended 2-1-71 re financial & legal data.	GRANTED EFF:	3-24-71 5-1-71

PHASE 1 REFUND ACTION

TRANS. CODE 553 511

DATE 80054 80-08-014 801001 CHT

AMT. 27,500.00

INITIALS

9/17/80 CLB

IEA 10/20/80 27,500.00 to Forward of Ill Inc split fee. Now completely refunded

IEA 27 500.00 to Mid America Metro Inc

Can't locate in file.

8/14/80 rec'd contract; Split fee OK CLB

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Call Letters WEAU-TV
~~WIRE-TV~~

Name FORWARD OF ILLINOIS, INC.
~~MID-AMERICA MEDIA, INC.~~
Ch. 19 Peoria, Illinois

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BRCT-421 Rec. & filed PN RECD: PRESS SEP 8 1970	7-15-70 8-26--70 8-26-70	RENEWAL OF LICENSE MAIN TRANS. &ANT. AUX. ANTENNA Ben Fisher (Fisher, Wayland)	GRANTED	11-25-70
Annual filing fee $600.00 paid 11-16-70 #644032.				
BPCT-4447 R & F #012611 $50 AC: 062 PRESS:	6-16-71 6-21-71 6-21-71 JUN 30 1971	CP to chg. ERP to Vis. 2090kw, Aur. 209kw; and type trans. to Gates BT-55U. Atty.: Thomas N. Frohock (McKenna & Wilkinson)	GRANTED	7-26-71
BLCT-2112 R & F #002985 AC: 069 PRESS	9-9-71 9-14-71 9-14-71 OCT 19 1971	Lic. to cover (BPCT-4447) for chgs. Atty.: James R. Cooke (McKenna & Wilkinson)	GRANTED	10-21-71

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

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Name FORWARD OF ILLINOIS, INC.
CH-19 PEORIA, ILLINOIS

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BTC-6699 R & F #011991 $250 AC: 055 PRESS	10-8-71 10-14-71 10-14-71 OCT 26 1971	Voluntary transfer of control of Forward Communications Corporation (parent corporation of licensee) from The Record Herald Company, O. C. Lemke, et al, to John C. Sturtevant, William F. McCormick and Stanley F. Staples, Jr. Voting Trustees. Atty.: Thomas N. Frohock (McKenna & Wilkinson)	GRANTED EFF:	12-6-71
BRCTV-64 R & F NO FEE PAID PRESS:	3-27-72 3-29-72 APR 13 1972	Req. auth. to oper. trans. by RC from 500 North Stewart Street, Creve Coeur, Illinois. Atty.: Carl R. Ramey (McKenna, Wilkinson & Kittner) Amended 8-28-72 re engr.	GRANTED	9-6-72
BRCT-421 R & F FN REC'D PRESS:	8-1-73 8-31-73 OCT 3 1973	RENEWAL OF LIC. atty: Thomas N. Frohock Main Trans. & Ant. any Ant appln to be filed later	GRANTED	11 28 73

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Name FORWARD OF ILLINOIS, INC.
Ch-19, PEORIA, ILLINOIS

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BRCT-421 R&F PN RECD PRESS	8-1-76 8-2-76 8-2-76 25 AUG 1976	RENEWAL OF LICENSE (Main Trans. & Ant.)(Aux. Ant.) Contours filed, Annual report filed. AMENDED 10-13-76 re additional information AMENDED 10-8-76 re rediscribe transmitter	GRANTED	11-17-76
BRCT 790801KE R & F PN REC'D PRESS	7-27-79 8-1-79 8-1-79 79 0813	RENEWAL OF LICENSE ATTY: W. KENNEDY KEANE {MCKENNA, WILKINSON & KITTNER}	GRANTED	11-30-79
BPCT-800722KF		CP to chg. ERP to Vis. 4497kW, Aur. 449.7kW; chg. Trans. to Harris BT110U; chg. Ant. to Harris TAZ38U and make other chgs. to the antenna system. HAAT 636 feet. AMENDED 9-15-80 re engineering	GRANTED	10-9-80

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.