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NON COMMERCIAL EDUCATIONAL

BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed March 19, 1973

Call letters K T S U

Station location Houston, Texas

Name of licensee TEXAS SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY

3101 Wheeler St., Houston, Texas (PED-9-27-78)

Transmitter location X Campus Building 15 (Humanities Building), Texas Southern University
Campus, Houston, Texas (PED-6-23-72)

3101 Wheeler St., Houston, Texas (PED-9-27-78)

Main studio location X Same as transmitter

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From - To
BPED-1418 HAAT: -	6-23-72	90.9mc #215	ERP: - CP for	TPO: LOW Unl. New FM ED	6-23-73 Station.
BPED-1418(1)	9-11-72	Call	letters	assigned.	
EBSA	2-6-73				
BLED-1065(L)	3-19-73	Lic(BPED-1418)	for new	station	8-1-74
BRED-613(S)	8-22-74	RENEWAL			8-1-77
BRED-613(S)	11-4-74	REN. OF LIC.			8-1-80
BPED-2325 HAAT: 265' (L)	9-27-78 (H&V)	90.9mhz. #215 CP to chg TL/SL; install new Trans; Ant mke chg ant sys (incr hght); chg TPO, ERP & HAAT	ERP: 18.5kw (H&V) U		9-27-79
BMPED791026AK (1)	12/5/79	MP (BPED-2325)	for ext. of time to:		6/5/80

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call K T S U
Letters ☒ NEW-EDUC-FM

Name Texas Southern University
Houston, Texas (PO 3201 Wheeler Ave., Bldg. 15, Houston, Texas 77004)

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BPED-1,418 R & F NO FEE REQUIRED: PRESS: MAY 10 1972 PN REC'd: 5-8-72	3-14-72 4-6-72	CP for New Educ. FM on: 90.9mc. #215 HAAT:--- ERP:--- Trans: GATES-BFE-10C; Ant: GATES-FM-11, 1 section. T-SL: Texas Southern Univ. Campus Bldg. 15, (Humanities Bld.) Wheeler Avenue, Houston, Texas. 29° 43' 20" - 95° 21' 42" Atty - Martin J. Gaynes Engr- David L. Steel, Sr.	GRANTED	6-23-72
BLED-1065 R & F PTA PRESS FEB 28 1973	1-2-73 1-4-73 1-10-73	Lic.(BPED-1418, as mod.) for New FM Educ. B/c Station. Atty: Cohn and Marks(Martin J. Gaynes)	GRANTED	3-19-73

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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

90.9 mc

Call
Letters K T S U

Name TEXAS SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY
HOUSTON, TEXAS

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BRED-613 R & F PN Recd. PRESS MAY 31 1974	5-3-74 " "	RENEWAL OF LICENSE	GRANTED	8-22-74
BPED-2325 Rec'd Filed No Fee Required Press P. N. Rec'd AUG 23 1976	6-28-76 6-29-76 7-29-76 7-27-76	CP to chg. TL-SL to: 3101 Wheeler Street, Houston, Texas; install new trans. (Harris FM-10H3); install new ant. (Harris FMC-5B, 5 sects.); make chg. ant. system (incr.hght.); chg. TPO; ERP: 18.63KW and HAAT: 263'. 29° 43' 25" - 95° 21' 52"	GRANTED	9-27-78

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call
Letters K T S UName TEXAS SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY
Houston, Texas

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BRED-613 R & F P.N. PRESS	3-18-77 3-30-77 APR 22 1977	RENEWAL OF LICENSE	GRANTED	11-4-77
BPED790522AB PRESS (O)	JUN 29 1979	CP to make changes in Antenna System; chg. type Trans. (SINTRONIC SI-F-15); chg. type Ant. (JAMPRO JSCP-4, 4 sects. Circularly Polarized); chg. ERP: 18.6kw; chg. HAAT: 269' & chg. TPO. 29° 43' 25" 95° 21' 52"	DISMISSED	8-28-79 file Form 22 341

APPLICATION RECORD-BROADCASTING

90.9MHz.

Call Letters: K T S U

Name: TEXAS SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY

Station Location: HOUSTON, TEXAS

File No.	Date	Description	Action and Date
BMPED791026AK PRESS (0)	NOV 15 1979	MP (BPED-2325) For Extension of Time to: 11-27-79 (FOR CHANGES)	GRANTED 12/5/79
BLED-791128AC PTA PRESS	JUN 17 1980	License to cover (BPED-2325, as mod.) for changes. Atty: None.	GRANTED 4-17-81 issued with renewal
BRED800801XD PRESS	SEP 10 1980	Renewal of License	GRANTED 4-17-81

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 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.

FM History Cards were initiated in the early 1940s, with the authorization of the earliest FM stations in the FM band, then at 42 to 50 MHz. (The band was shifted to its present location, 88 to 108 MHz, in 1946.) 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 radio station history.

