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BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed 1-23-41 Call letters W M R N
 (SEE CARD #2) SANDANCE CORPORATION (11-26-80, EFF: 2-13-81) Station Location: Marion, Ohio

xx THE MARION BROADCASTING COMPANY (BML 2-3-67)

X ELLWORTH COMMUNICATIONS, INC. (AL 12-7-66 Eff: 1-9-67)

Name of licensee x THE MARION BROADCASTING COMPANY

1330 North Main Street, Marion, Ohio (Re-descript. MP-7-31-61) Lic. 1-23-41
 Transmitter location x North Main St., 1/2 mi North of City limits, Marion, Ohio. (MP 10-24-40)

Same as Transmitter
 Main studio location x North Main St., 1/2 mi North of City Limits of Marion, Ohio. (MP 10-24-40)
 FCC-63

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	DATE ISSUED	FREQ.	Power	TIME Div.	PERIOD	
					From—	To—
B2-P-2862	7-16-40	1500 kc	250w.	U.	Gr. Subject to LETTER selection of transmitter site and antenna system. C.P. for new station at Marion, Ohio.	
B2-P-2862	10-24-40	1500 kc	250w	U.	10-24	6-24-41
B2-MP-1071	C.P. for new station; and mod of CP for approval antenna, and studio & trans sites.					
Order	9-10-40	Extension of license			10-1	3-29-41
B2-L-1314	1-23-41	1500	250w	U	1-23	3-29-41
B2-Z-639	License to cover C.P.2862 as modified for new station. Also determine operating power by direct method.					
NARBA REALLOCATION						
B2-R-2013	3-24-41	1490	250w	U	3-29	12-1-41
B2-S-2013	11-18-41	Extension of license			12-1	1-1-42
B2-S-2013	12-16-41	Extension of license			1-1	2-1-42
B2-R-2013	1-27-42	1490	250w	U	1-27	12-1-43
E2-TC-304	6-16-42	Trans. Control licensee Corp. from Eff. 5:55 pm 7-1-42 Frank E. and Ellen Mason to HOWARD F. AND FLORENCE GUTHERY				
B2-S-2013	11-6-42	1490	250w	U	12-1	12-1-43
		Mod. Lic. accordance Order 107				
B2-R-2013	11-23-43	1490	250w	U	12-1	12-1-45
B2-TC-398	8-8-44	Transfer of control of licensee corp. Eff. 8-15-44 from Howard F. Guthery and Florence Guthery to ROBERT T. MASON				
B2-S-2013	7-10-45	1490	250w	U	10-1	12-1-45
		Mod. Lic. Order 107A				
B2-S-2013	11-21-45	Extension of license			12-1	2-1-46
B2-S-2013	1-23-46	Extension of license			2-1	4-1-46
B2-S-2013	3-20-46	Extension of license			4-1	6-1-46
B2-R-2013	4-10-46	1490	250w	U	4-10	8-1-48
BR-2013	7-6-48	1490	250w	U	8-1	8-1-51
B2-S-200	12-13-50	1490	250w	U	12-13	8-1-51
Authority determine operating power by direct method						

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THE MARION BROADCASTING COMPANY (4-20-81)

Name of licensee ~~X~~ THE MARION BROADCASTING COMPANY

Transmitter location

Main studio location

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Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From To
BR-2013	7-18-51	1490	250w	U	8-1 10-1-52
BR-2013	7-18-51	1490	250w	U	8-1 10-1-52
Superseding renewal to correct descrip. of ground system					
BP-7023	4-9-52	1490	250w	U	6-9 12-9-52
CP install new ant. and mount FM on AM tower					
BR-2013	9-3-52	1490	250w	U	10-1 10-1-55
BP-7023	4-9-52	1490	250w	U	6-9 12-9-52
CP install new ant. and mount FM on AM tower					
Supersedes above CP and corrects description antenna					
BMP-6056	11-26-52	Mod. of CP(7023) for extension of completion date.			6-9-52 3-9-53
BMP-6146 (1)	3-6-53	Mod. of C.P(7023) for extension of completion date			6-9-52 6-9-53
BL-5003	6-9-53	1490	250w	U	6-9 10-1-55
Lic. cover CP (BP-7023, as mod.) which auth. installation of new antenna & mount FM antenna on AM tower.					
BR-2013	9-7-55	Renewal of license			10-1 10-1-58
BR-2013	9-17-58	Renewal of license			10 -1 10-1-61
BP-12591	3-8-61	1490kc	250w-1kw	LS U	5-8 11-8-61
CP to increase daytime power and install a new transmitter. (COND'L)					
BMP-9574 (1)	7-31-61	Mod. CP(BP-12591) to chg. type trans. to 27A, 2-1000A			
BR-2013	9-15-61	Renewal of license			10-1 10-1-64
BMP-9851 (2)	11-2-61	Mod. CP(BP-12,591) for extension of completion date to January 8, 1962			
BRC-1959 (3)	12-22-61	Mod. CP(BP-12,591 as mod.) to operate trans. by remote control from 1330 N. Main St. Marion, Ohio			
BP-15563	7-24-62	1490kc	250w	Un	AUXILIARY 9-24 3-24-63
CP to install AUXILIARY trans(RCA-250 K) at main trans loc to be operated on 1490kc, 250w, for AUX purposes only. (Remote control operation of transmitter)					
BL-9035	5-18-62	1490kc	250w, 1kw	U	5-18 10-1-64
License to cover CP(BP-12591, as mod.) which auth. incr. in daytime power & install new trans.					

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Station location

Name of licensee

Transmitter location

Main studio location

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Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From- To
BL-9957	5-15-63	1490kc	250w	Aux.(RC)	5-15 10-1-64
	Lic to cover CP(BP-15,563) which auth install- ing a new Auxiliary Transmitter.				
BZ-5023	8-23-63	1490kc	250w, 1kw U		8-23-63 to 10-1-64
	Mod. of lic: authority to determine operating power by direct measurement of antenna power.				
BR-2013	9-14-64	Renewal	of License		10-1 10-1-67
		Main and Aux			
BAL-5904	12-7-66	Voluntary assignment of license to			
Eff:	1-9-67	ELLWORTH COMMUNICATIONS, INC.			
BML-2195 (1)	2-3-67	1490kc	250w, 1kw (RC)		2-3 10-1-67
	Mod. of license to change licensee name to THE MARION BROADCASTING COMPANY.				
BML-2195	2-3-67	1490kc	250w (RC) Aux.		2-3 10-1-67
	Mod. of license to change licensee name to THE MARION BROADCASTING COMPANY.				
BR-2013	9-8-67	Renewal	of License & NDEA		10-1 10-1-70
		(main & Aux.)			
BR-2013	9-30-70	RENEWAL	OF LICENSE & NDEA		
		MAIN & AUX.			10-1-73
BZ-7875 (1)	9-30-71	Direct Measurement (Main & Auxiliary)			
EBSA	5-25-72				
BZ-8255(L)	2-6-73	Direct Measurement (Main & Aux.)			10-1-73
BR-2013(S)	10-24-73	RENEWAL	(Main & Aux.)		10-1-76
BZ-8486(L)	2-22-74	Direct Measurement (Main & Aux.)			10-1-76
Ltr.	9-20-76	Main: HARRIS MW-1 former AM-1000A now Aux. Delete			main ITA, old Aux.
BR-2013(L)	9-15-76	Renewal Main & Aux.			10-1-79
BR790601C8 (S)	11-8-79	RENEWAL OF LICENSE			10-1-82
BZ-800110AJ(L)	3-6-80	DIRECT MEASUREMENT			10-1-82
BZ-800110AJ	3-6-80	Superseded to correct ground system			10-1-82
BAL800902GQ	11-26-80		VOL AL	EFF:	2-13-81

BROADCASTING STATION HISTORY RECORD

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Station Location

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Transmitter Location

Main studio location

Authorization Record

File No.	Granted	Facilities	Expires
APPL. 4-20-81 (1)	6-2-81	LICENSEE NAME CHANGE	

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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Name

THE MARION BROADCASTING COMPANY109 N. Main St., Marion, Ohio.

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
B2-P-2862	5-7-40	C.P. for a new station to be operated on: Frequency - 1500 kc, Class IV. Power - 250 watts Time - unlimited Studio - to be determined, Marion, Ohio. Trans - to be determined, at or near Marion, O.	Granted Min. # 469 Subject to selection of transmitter site and antenna. LETTER WRITTEN. Issued with LP	7-16-40
B2-MP-1071	9-16-40	Mod. of C.P. (B2-P-2862) for approval of antenna and approval of studio and transmitter site at North Main St., $\frac{1}{4}$ mile North of city limits, Marion, Ohio.	Granted	10-24-40
Rec'd	9-16-40			

Page & Davis Engineers.
Joseph E. Keller, & Fred W. Albertson, attorneys.

RCA 250-K, 55-A, 1552. RCA 311-A 1462.

Corres-to: ~~501 Fifth St.~~ Fremont, Ohio

Newspaper affiliation - none

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FILE No.	DATED	APPLICATION FOR—	ACTION	
			NATURE	DATE
B2-L-1314 Rec'd	12-21-40 12-23-40	License to cover C.P. (B2-P-2862 as modified) for new station.	Granted	1-23-41
B2-Z-639 Rec'd	12-21-40 12-23-40	Authority to determine operating power by direct measurement of antenna power.	Granted	1-23-41
B2-R-2013	3-1-41	Renewal of license	Granted 1490kc, 250w, U	3-24-41
B2-R-203	9-26-41	Renewal of license and Form 335	GRANTED	1-27-42

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File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
B2-TC-304 received Resubmitted Rec'd Filed	4-16-42 5-7-42 4-16-42 5-22-42 5-22-42	Transfer of control thru sale of 130 shares (65%) of stock by Frank E. Mason and Ellen Mason to Howard F. Guthery and Florence Guthery.	-Ret'd, -5-11-42, Sec. 19-c, -12c, P-I, -Sec. 17, 18, 19a, P-II, 2-8-42, Sec. 15a1, P-III	
			Granted	6-16-42
			Eff. 5:58 pm	7-1-42
B2-R-2013 Rec'd	9-28-43 10-2-43	Renewal of license	Granted	11-23-43
B2-TC-398 Rec'd Resubmitted Rec'd & Filed	5-19-44 6-19-44 5-19-44 6-30-44	Transfer of control of licensee corporation from Howard F. Guthery and Florence Guthery to R. T. MASON (101 shares common stock 50 1/2%) 335's filed	Returned--6-21-44 Part-I-Sec. 10c and 12c; Part-II-Sec. 9a and 12; Part-III-Signature	
			Granted	8-8-44
			Eff. 8-15-44	

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File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
B2-R-2013 Rec'd	9-26-45 10-1-45	Renewal of license Amend. filed 11-9-45 & photos Add'l copies of amend. filed 11-20-45	Granted	4-10-46
BR-2013 Rec'd	5-7-48 5-25-48	Renewal of license	GRANTED	7-6-48

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File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BP-7023 Rec'd Filed	11-1-48 12-6-48 12-6-48	Construction permit to install a new vertical antenna and mount FM antenna on AM tower. (Samuel Miller, Atty.)	Docket No. 9382 GRANTED Hearing DECISION & ORDER ISSUED	4-9-52 after
B2-3200 Rec'd Filed	8-10-50 8-14-50 8-14-50	Authority to determine operating power by direct measurement of antenna power. Samuel Miller, Atty. Commercial Radio, Engrs.	GRANTED	12-13-50
BR-2013 Rec'd	5-24-51 5-31-51	Renewal of License (Filed by Samuel Miller, Atty.)	Granted	7-18-51

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File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BR-2013 Rec'd Filed	6-23-52 7-3-52 7-3-52	Renewal of license Samuel Miller, atty.	GRANTED	9-3-52
BMP-6056 Rec'd Filed	11-10-52 11-12-52 11-12-52	Modification of construction permit (EP-7023 which auth. installation of a new vertical antenna and mount FM antenna on AM tower) for extension of completion date from 12-9-52 to 3-9-53. Samuel Miller, Atty.	GRANTED	11-26-52
BMP-6146 Rec'd Filed	2-21-53 2-27-53 2-27-53	Modification of construction permit (BP-7023, which auth. installation of a new vertical antenna and mount FM antenna on AM tower) for extension of completion date from 3-9-53 to 6-9-53. Samuel Miller, Atty.	as mod. GRANTED	3-6-53

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File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BL-5003 Rec'd Filed	4-18-53 5-4-53 5-4-53	License to cover construction permit (BP-7023, as mod.) which authorized installation of a new vertical antenna and mount FM antenna on AM tower.	GRANTED	6-9-53
Ltr. dated 2-17-55 Cohn & Marks no longer attys for station.				
BR-2013 Rec'd Filed	7-1-55 7-5-55 7-5-55	Renewal of license	GRANTED	9-7-55
BR-2013 Rec'd Filed	7-1-58 7-3-58 7-3-58	Renewal of license	GRANTED	9-17-58

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File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BP-12,591	11-14-58	Construction permit to increase daytime power from 250w to 1kw and , and install new transmitter (RCA-BTA-1M) Engr. Edward F. Lorentz	GRANTED	3-8-61 Cond'l re accept interf. imposed by exist. Class IV stations if auth. incr. power to 1kw.
Rec'd	11-20-58			
Filed	11-20-58			
BP-9574	6-7-61	Modification of CP(BP-12,591 which auth. incr. daytime power and installation new transmitter (to change type transmitter to an ITA, AM-1000A, r/p 1kw.	GRANTED	7-31-61
Rec'd & Filed	6-9-61			
BR-2013	6-29-61	Renewal of license	GRANTED	9-15-61
Rec'd	7-3-61			
Filed	7-3-61			
✓ BP-9851	10-3-61	Mod of CP (BP-12591 as mod which auth incr day power and install new trans) for extension of completion date from 11-8-61 to 1-8-62.	GRANTED	11-2-61 to 1-8-62
BAF	10-5-61			

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Name The Marion Broadcasting Company
Marion, Ohio

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BMP- Rec'd	12-5-61 12-7-61	Mod of CP (BP-12591 as mod which auth incr day power and install new trans) for extension of completion date from 1-8-62 to 3-8-62.	RETURNED Unnecessary	12-29-61
BRC-1959 Rec'd Filed	12-11-61 12-13-61 12-13-61	Mod. of CP(BP-12,591) to operate transmitter by remote control from 1330 North Main Street, Marion, Ohio.	GRANTED	12-22-61
BL-9035 R. & E.	12-11-61 12-13-61	Lic to cover CP(BP-12,591 as mod) which auth. incr. in daytime power and installation of new transmitter.	GRANTED	5-18-62
BP-15563 R. & E.	5-21-62 5-23-62	CP to install an auxiliary transmitter (RCA-250 k) at main trans. to be operated on 1490 kc, 250w, for aux. purposes only. (Remote control operation of transmitter from 1330 North Main Street, Marion, Ohio).	GRANTED	7-24-62

FORM BC-121

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Marion, Ohio

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BL-9957 R. & F.	1-25-63 2-1-63	Lic to cover CP(BP-15,563) which auth install a new Auxiliary Transmitter.	GRANTED	5-15-63
BZ- 5023 Rec'd Resub R.&F.	6-22-63 6-24-63 7-8-63 7-10-63	Authority to determine operating power by direct measurement of antenna power.	RETURNED No Section T--- GRANTED	7-3-63 8-23-63
BR-2013 R & F	7-1-64 7-6-64	Renewal of License (Main & Auxiliary)	GRANTED	9-14-64
EAL-5904 R & F	10-18-66 10-20-66	John B. Jacob, Atty. Voluntary assignment of license to ELI WORTH COMMUNICATIONS, INC. Atty for assignor - Dow, Lohnes & Albertson for assignee - R. Russell Eagan	GRANTED Eff:	12-7-66 1-9-67

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THE MARION BROADCASTING COMPANY

Name XELLWORTH COMMUNICATIONS, INC.
MARION, OHIO

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BML-2195 R & F	1-18-67 1-18-67	Mod. of lic to change licensee name to THE MARION BROADCASTING COMPANY Atty. Kirkland, Ellis, Hodson, Chaffetz & Masters.	GRANTED	2-3-67
BR-2013 R & F JUL 19 1967	6/8/67 7/3/67	Renewal of license (Main & Auxiliary) Atty: R. Russell Eagan	GRANTED	9-8-67
BR-2013 R & F #612745 \$75. (\$300. submitted) " \$30. P.N. 7-1-70 AUG 14 1970	6-9-70 7-1-70 7-1-70 7-1-70	Renewal of License (Main & Auxiliary) Atty: Erwin G. Krawnow	GRANTED	9-30-70
2-16-71 Annual filing fee \$39.00 deducted from \$165. Renewal fee. Credit \$126. to 1971. COMBINED RATES WITH WMRN-FM. DM (1702A) 8-25-71				

Form BC-121
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Marion, Ohio

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BZ-7875 R & F DM PRESS	8-17-71 8-20-71 8-25-71 SEP 21 1971	Direct Measurement (Main & Auxiliary) Atty: Theodore A. Shmanda(Kirkland, Ellis, etc.)	GRANTED	9-30-71
BZ-8255 Rec'd Amended & F DM PRESS	11-22-72 11-24-72 1-8-73 1-12-73 JAN 31 1973	Direct Measurement (Main & Aux.) New 302 Atty: Kirkland, Ellis & Rowe(R. R. Eagan)	GRANTED	2-6-73
BR-2013 R & F PN PRESS AUG 1 1973	6-21-73 7-30-73 7-30-73	Renewal of License (MAIN & AUXILIARY) Atty: R. R. Eagan AMENDED 9-24-73 re: programming; EEO	GRANTED	10-24-73

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Marion, Ohio

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BZ-8486 R & F DM PRESS	11-29-73 12-4-73 12-14-73 2 FEB 1974	Direct Measurement (Main & Auxiliary)	GRANTED	2-22-74
BR-2013 R & F P.N. Press	5-5-76 5-28-76 5-28-76 JUN 28 1976	RENEWAL OF LICENSE (MAIN & AUXILIARY) Atty: R. Russell Eagan (Kirkland, Ellis & Rowe)	GRANTED	9-15-76
BR 790601 C8 PRESS JUL 30 1979		RENEWAL OF LICENSE (MAIN & AUXILIARY) Jas. R. Bayes, Atty.	GRANTED	11-8-79
BZ-800110AJ R & F DM PRESS FEB 29 1980	1-10-80 1-18-80 FEB 29 1980	DIRECT MEASUREMENT Atty: James R. Bayes (Kirkland & Ellis)	GRANTED	3-6-80

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SANDANCE CORPORATION

Name: THE MARION BROADCASTING COMPANY

Station Location: Marion, Ohio

File No.	Date	Description	Action and Date
BAL800902GQ FORM 314 PRESS PN FILED (ALSO WMRN-FM) PN filed 9-30-80	SEP 23 1980	Voluntary AL to Sandance Corporation. Atty: R. Russell Egan (Kirkland & Ellis) AMENDED 9-10-80 re: EEO data AMENDED 9-11-80 re: Agreement of Purchase & Sale; balance sheet; financial qualifications and other financial data.	GRANTED 11-26-80 EFF: 2-13-81
BAL810323HT Form 316 PRESS Also see WMRN-FM	APR 30 1981	Vol AL to Robert C. Kanuth, Jr. and John P. Courtright, Jr., DBA The Marion Broadcasting Company, an Ohio General Partnership Atty R. Russell Egan	ISSUED EFF: 7-9-81
APPL. DATED PRESS (0)	4-20-81 MAY 29 1981	Filed by R. Russell Egan Request to change Name of Licensee to: THE MARION BROADCASTING COMPANY.	GRANTED: 6-2-81

BAL-800902GP Amended 11-12-80 re: Bank Ltr. and Bank
Ltr. Supplement.

AMENDED 1-21-81 re: Accounting & closing date aggrmt.

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. 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 – 3" by 5" filing cards – 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). 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. Generally, they have been left as negatives as those are often easier to read.

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.

