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Form BC 126 #2967
June 1954

Frequency Modulation

BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed 10-18-74

Call letters WPTM

Station location Roanoke Rapids, N.C.

Name of licensee Halifax County Broadcasting, Inc.

Transmitter location Rte. 48, 2 miles south of city limits, Roanoke Rapids, NC MP 5-3-74
xxxxRte. 125, 1.5 mi. S. of city limits, Roanoke Rapids, N.C. (PH-2-5-74)

On Aurelian Springs Rd., approx. 0.9 mi. WSW of city limits, Weldon, North Carolina
(WSMY (AM) studio site) (MLH-2-13-78)

Main studio location X Same as Transmitter

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From- To.
BPH-8710 HAAT: 295'	2-6-74	102.3mhz. ERP: 3kw #272 Class A CP for New FM Station.	Unl.		2-6-75
BPH-8710(1)	4-1-74	MP to assign call letters			
EBSA	4-1-74				
BMPH-14072 (L)	5-3-74	MP(BPH-8710 chg. TL & SL 102.3 ERP-3kw HAAT-295ft			2-6-75
BMPH-14,161 HAAT: 300ft (1)	7-12-74	102.3mhz. ERP-3kw (h&v) MP(BPH-8710) chg trans, ant, TPO, HAAT. add cir. polarization to ERP. 3kw(h&v)			
BLH-6358(L)	10-18-74	Lic.(BPH-8710)- as mod.	New		12-1-75
BRH-2967(L)	11-19-75		RENEWAL		12-1-78
BTC-8411	11-11-77	Vol. TC	EFF: 12-1-77		
BMLH-610 (1)	2-13-78	ML to chg SL/RC			
BRH 780801	VI 11-14-78	(L) REN.OF LIC.			12-1-81

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Letters **XNEW-FM**

Name **Halifax County Broadcasting, Inc.**
Roanoke Rapids, North Carolina (PO Rte. 2, Box 18, Ahsokie, North Carolina 27910)

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BPH-8710	11-26-73	CP for New FM on: 102.3mhz. #272	GRANTED	2-6-74
R & F	11-29-73	HAAT: 297' ERP: 3kw	gr. fee	\$900 req.
#256867 \$100	11-30-73	Trans: RCA-BTF-3B; Ant: COLLINS-37M-4, 4	Pd. 014	2-21-74
CODE: 013		sects.	W281679	
PRESS: DEC 14 1973		T-SL: 125, 1.5 mi. S. of city limits,		
PN REC'd: 12-28-73		Roanoke Rapids, N. C.		
		36° 24' 38" - 77° 38' 58"		
		Atty - M. Scott Johnson		
		Engr- Willis C. Beecher		
AMENDED 1-9-74		REQUEST WAIVER OF SECTION 73.210 of the		
PRESS: JAN 16 1974		COMMISSION RULES.		
AMENDED 1-16-74		w/ref. to Financial Data.		
BMPH-14,072	3-21-74	MP (BPH-8710) chg. TL & SL to: Rte. 48,		
Rec'd 3-25-74		2 mi. south of city limits, Roanoke Rapids,	GRANTED 5-3-74	
Filed 3-25-74		North Carolina.		
#295798 \$50	3-27-74	(36° 24' 48" - 77° 41' 02")		
Code 057		Atty - M. Scott Johnson (Fletcher, Heald etc.)		
Press MAR 1 1974		P.O.C. - WASHINGTON, D.C.		

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Roanoke Rapids, North Carolina

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BMPH-14,161 R & F #312817 \$50 Code 057 Press	6-4-74 6-7-74 6-10-74 JUL 9 - 1974	MP (BPH-8710, as mod.) chg. trans. (Gates FM-3H); chg. ant. (Phelps Dodge CFM-LP-3, 3 sects.); chg. TPO; HAAT: 300' (H&V); add circular polarization to ERP and correct coordinates. (36° 24' 38" - 77° 41' 02") Atty: Vincent J. Curtis, Jr. (Fletcher, Heald etc.)	GRANTED	7-12-74
BLH-6358 R & F W 329414-\$50. PTA PRESS	7-22-74 7-25-74 7-25-74-057 7-31-74 OCT 3 1974	Lic. (BPH-8710, as mod.) - New Sta. Atty: Fletcher, Heald, etc. (M. Scott Johnson)	GRANTED	10-18-74
BPH-2967 R & F PN PRESS	7-29-75 8-1-75 8-1-75 SEP 9 1975	Renewal of license Atty- M. Scott Johnson (Fletcher, Heald et al) AMENDED 10-21-75 re: balance sheet & engineering	GRANTED	11-19-75

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102.3mhz

FM

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Roanoke Rapids, North Carolina

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BTC-8441 Rec'd FORM 314 Filed SEP 5 1977 PN filed	8-9-77	Voluntary transfer of control of lic corp from William Pruden, W. Ennis Taylor and Cecil McCoy to Tres Broadcasting, Inc. (see over) Atty for transferor - M. Scott Johnson for transferee - Fletcher, Heald etc Art of Inc., by laws; financial data filed 8-30-77	GRANTED EFF:	
	8-18-77			11-11-77
	8-30-77			12-1-77
	9-21-77			
BMLH-610 R & F PRESS: FEB 1 1978	1-6-78	Mod. of Lic. to chg Studio location to: On Aurelian Springs Rd., approx. 0.9 mi. WSW of city limits, Weldon, North Carolina (WSMY (AM) studio site) (Outside city limits) REQUEST WAIVER OF SECTION 73.210(a)(3) OF COMMISSION RULES. Atty: Vincent J. Curtis (Fletcher, Heald, etc.)	GRANTED	2-13-78
	1-10-78			

RE: Amended 10-21-77 Legal Data

RE: Amended 11-1-77 Financial & Program Data

RE: Amended 11-15-77 Legal & Financial Data

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Name HALIFAX COUNTY BROADCASTING, INC.
ROANOKE RAPIDS, NORTH CAROLINA

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BRH780801VI R & F PRESS	7-24-78 8-1-78 AUG 11 1978	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Atty. Vincent J. Curtis, Jr. (Fletcher, Heald, Kenehan etc.)	GRANTED	11-14-78

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

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.

