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FREQUENCY MODULATION

BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed May 18, 1970

Call letters K S P N

Station location Aspen, Colorado

Name of licensee Recreation Broadcasting Of Aspen, Inc.

Transmitter location Red Mountain, N-NW of Aspen, Colorado (PH 12-11-74)
X330 East Main Street, Aspen, Colorado (PH-9-24-69)

Main studio location 330 East Main Street, Aspen, Colorado (PH 9-24-69)
XSame as Transmitter

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From- To-
BPH-6535 HAAT: minus 1,790'	9-24-69	97.7mc. ch#249	ERP: 480watts TPO: 250watts	Unl.	5-24-70
BPH-6535(1)	12-9-69	Call letters assigned.			
BRCH-965(2)	2-6-70	MP(BPH-6535)	to operate transmitter		
SPECIAL by	RC from	330 East Main St	(1st Floor of Hotel		
COND'L	Jerome,	Clerks Desk)	by Employees of KSPN Only.)		
BLH-4702(L) HAAT: minus 1790 feet	5-18-70	97.7mc.	ERP: 480 watts TPO: 240 watts		4-1-71
		Lic.(BPH-6535 as mod) for	new FM Broadcast Station,		
		chg. trans, ant, ERP:, TPO:, & HAAT.			
BSH-2484 (L)	1-26-71	Chg. RC Lic. to	330 Main Street KSPN		
		Studio Basement, Hotel Jerome,	Aspen		
		Colorado			
BRH-2484(L)	3-25-71	Renewal			4-1-74
EBSA	5-22-72				
BPH-7795(L) HAAT: -1790' (H&V)	8-11-72	97.7mc #249	ERP: 520w (H&V) CP install new ant.		8-11-72
		ant. system(incr. hgt).	chg. TPO,		
		ERP, HAAT. (RC)			
BLH-5716(L)	3-19-73	Lic(BPH-7795)for	changes		4-1-74
BRH-2484(S)	4-29-74	RENEWAL			4-1-77
BPH-9112 HAAT: minus 84ft(H&V)	12-11-74	97.7mhz CPchg	ERP: 3kw(H&V) TL, ant, trans, TPO, ERP, HAAT	U	12-11-75
BRCH-1261(1)	5-19-75	ML operate by	RC from SL		
BMPH-14,478(1)	5-19-75	MP(BPH-9112)	operate by RC from SL		
BSCA-1466	5-30-75	SCA	67KHz.		
BSH-2484(L) ERP: 480watts HAAT: minus 1790'	12-12-75	Lic. use former main trans.	& antenna for Auxiliary purposes only.		4-1-77
BLH-6841(L)	3-16-76	Lic.(BPH-9112, as mod.)- Main Trans. & antenna	Changes,		4-1-77
BRH-2484(S)	4-18-77	RENEWAL (MAIN & Aux. Trans)	& antennas)		4-1-80
BRH791206UF(S) BRSCA791206UF	4-15-80	Renewal of License & SCA			4-1-83

Aug. 1955

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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Letters NEW FM

RECREATION BROADCASTING OF ASPEN, INC.

Name **RECREATION BROADCASTING COMPANY****ASPEN, COLORADO (PO c/o Mrs. Helen Hunting, 2720 Darby St., S. E., Grand Rapids, Mich. 49506)**

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BPH-6535 R & F #471358 \$75 PRESS: DEC 17 1968 PN REC'D:	11-8-68 11-8-68 11-8-68 3-10-69	CP for new FM on: 97.7mc #249 ERP:0.449kw HAAT:-1,791' TPO:0.25kw Trans.: Gates FM-250B Ant.: Jampro JA-2B, 2 secs. T-SL: 330 E. Main St., Aspen, Colo. Atty.: David H. Lloyd (Arnold & Porter) Engr.: W. Cecil Witchurch (Paonia, Colorado) Amended to change name of applicant to Recreation Broadcasting of Aspen, Inc., and community survey needs submitted.	GRANTED	9-24-69
AMENDMENT R&F PRESS: SEP 19 1969	8-25-69 8-25-69			
BRCH-965 Rec'd: #566079 \$30 Filed	12-17-69 12-30-69 12-30-69 1-28-70	Modification of Construction permit (BPH-6535) to operate transmitter by Remote Control from 330 E. Main St. (1st Floor of Hotel Jerome, Clerks Desk) by Employees of KSPN Only). Atty - Reed Miller (Arnold & Porter) Clarify Remote Control Location.	GRANTED SPECIAL COND'L station employees holding third class and Operator Permit (broadcast endorsed).	2-6-70
Amended	1-28-70			

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

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CONTACT: Mrs. Helen Hunting; PHONE: Code 616, 949-4262

ADDRESS: 2720 E Darby S. E., Grand Rapids, Michigan 49506

AMEND. R&F 3-10-69 re Sec. II & FAA clearance

AMEND. 5-12-69 Financial data submitted.

Amended 5-23-69 re addition to Section III submitted.

AMENDED 6-9-69 re Section III.

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Aspen, Colorado

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BLH-4702 Rec'd #575201 \$30. Amended & F PTA PRESS	2-2-70 2-4-70 2-4-70 3-4-70 3-4-70 APR 11 1970	Lic. (BPH- 4702 ⁶⁵³⁵ , as mod.) for new FM B/c Sta. Trans: COLLINS, 830 BI-B. RC w/condition. Engr. data (Sect. II-B, Op. cons.) Atty: Reed Miller (Arnold & Porter)	GRANTED	5-18-70
BRH-2484 R & F Press PN JAN 18 1971	1-4-71 1-7-71 3-2-71	RENEWAL OF LICENSE ATTY: ARNOLD & PORTER	GRANTED	3-25-71
BPH-7795 R & F #42916 \$50 Code 061 Press MAR 6 1972	2-6-72 2-18-72 2-18-72	CP to install new ant. (RCA BFH-4A, 4 sects. (H&V); make chg. ant. system (increase height); chg. TPO; ERP: .5183KW; HAAT: minus 1750' (H&V). Atty: David H. Lloyd	GRANTED	8-11-72

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BLH-5716 R & F W 141612-\$50 PTA PRESS	12-6-72 1-8-73 1-8-73-AC-068 1-12-73 FEB 28 1973	Lic.(BPH-7795) for changes. Atty: Arnold & Porter(David H. Lloyd)	GRANTED	3-19-73
BRH-2484 R & F PN Recd. PRESS	12-20-73 1-2-74 " 15 JAN 1974	RENEWAL OF LICENSE AMENDED 4-12-74 re: programming	GRANTED	4-29-74
BPH-9112 R & F #335175 \$100 Code 013 Press P. N. Rec'd	8-2-74 8-13-74 8-16-74 AUG 28 1974 9-3-74	CP to chg. TL to: Atop Red Mountain, 2.5 miles from KSPN-FM Studio on a bearing 342.5° True, Aspen, Colorado; install new trans. (Collins 831D-1B); install new antenna (RCA BFC-3, 3 sects. (H&V); make chg. ant. system (decr. hght.); chg. TPO; BRP: 3.0KW (H&V) and HAAT: minus 84'(H&V). (39° 13' 33" - 106° 50' 00") Atty: David H. Lloyd(Arnold & Porter) F.C.C. - WASHINGTON, D. C.	GRANTED gr fee req. \$900.00 Pd. 014 W388229	12-11-74 2-4-75
AMENDED	11-7-74	Section III.		

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BSCA-1466 Rec'd Filed #422688\$100 Code 057 PRESS MAY 14 1975	4-15-75 4-29-75 5-2-75 5-6-75	Request for Subsidiary Communications Authorization on a sub-carrier frequency of 67 khz. Atty: David H. Lloyd (Arnold & Porter)	GRANTED	5-30-75
BRCH-1261 Rec'd Filed #422687\$100 Code 057 PRESS MAY 14 1975	4-15-75 4-29-75 5-6-75 5-6-75	Modification of License to operate by remote control from the main studio location: Hotel Jerome, 330 East Main Street, Aspen, Colorado Atty: David H. Lloyd (Arnold & Porter)	GRANTED	5-19-75
BMPH-14,478 Rec'd Filed #422687\$100 Code 057 PRESS MAY 14 1975	4-15-75 4-29-75 5-6-75 5-6-75	Mod. of CP(BPH-9112) to operate by remote control from the main studio location: Hotel Jerome, 330 East Main Street, Aspen, Colorado Atty: David H. Lloyd (Arnold & Porter)	GRANTED	5-19-75

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BLH-6841 R & F	9-25-75	Lic.(BPH-9112, as mod.)-Changes.	GRANTED	3-16-76
W 483453-\$100	10-3-75			
PTA PRESS	10-6-75-001-Atty: Arnold & Porter(David H. Lloyd)			
BRH-2484 BRSCA-1466 R & F PN Recd. PRESS	10-14-75 NOV 21 1975	RENEWAL OF LICENSE (MAIN & Auxiliary Trans. & Antennas) RENEWAL OF SCA	GRANTED	4-18-77
	11-28-76 " 12-2-76 DEC 21 1976			
BRH791206UF BRSCA PRESS	" JAN 9 1980	Renewal of License(Main, Aux. Trans. Aux. Ant. & SCA	GRANTED	4-15-80

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 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.

