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REMOVABLE LABEL GUIDE

Cat. No. 4550L

Patent No. 1390199

Date first licensed 4-16-57

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Newburyport, Massachusetts

ESSEX BROADCASTING CORPORATION (AL gr 6/22/77 EFF: 7-13-77)

~~X~~TRI-CITY BROADCASTING CO., INC. (AL 12-9-57) EFF: 1-16-58

Name of licensee X THEODORE FEINSTEIN

Ferry Road, 0.5 mile north of (Redescribed Lic. 4-16-57)
Rings Island Village, Salisbury, Massachusetts. (CP 10-31-56)

Transmitter location X 271 Ferry Road, 0.7 mile north of Rings Island Village, Salisbury, Mass./

76 State St., Newburyport, Mass. (Ltr. 8-17-79)
X 54 Pleasant Street, Newburyport, Mass. (Ltr. 9-26-69)
X Same as transmitter (Ltr. 5-30-69) Temporary

X Newburyport, Massachusetts
State Highway at Traffic Circle (let. of 1-11-57)

Main studio location X To be determined, Newburyport, Mass. (CP 10-31-56)

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From- To-
BP-9027	10-31-56	1470kc	500w	Day	12-31-56 6-30-57
CP for a new standard broadcast station					
MP-7564 (1)	3-8-57	Mod. of CP(9027)	to change type trans., (RCA BTA-500MX), operate transmitter by remote control, from main studio location.		
BL-6566	4-16-57	1470kc	500w	Day (RC)	4-16 4-1-60
Lic. to cover CP(BP-9027, as mod.) for a new standard broadcast station.					
<u>WIRE</u>	<u>4-24-57</u>	<u>SIGN OFF 6:30 PM ending 9-30-57</u>			
BAL-2862	12-9-57	Voluntary assignment of license to Tri-City Broadcasting Co., Inc. (cond'1)			
3Z-3909 (1)	10-2-57	Mod. of license	Authority to determine operating power by direct measurement of antenna power.	to determine measurement	
BAL-2862 EFF:	12-9-57 1-16-58	Voluntary assignment of license to Tri-City Broadcasting Co., Inc. (cond'1)			
BR-3438	3-9-60	1470kc	500w	Day (RC)	4-1 4-1-63
BR-3438	3-29-63	Renewal of license		4-1	4-1-66
<u>BR-3438</u>	<u>3-21-66</u>	<u>RENEWAL OF LICENSE</u>		<u>4-1</u>	<u>4-1-69</u>
ELEGRAM	10-24-67	PSA	500w		
BR-3438(3)	4-7-69	Renewal of License		4-7	4-1-72
Ltr.	5-30-69	Studio & RC: Now at trans. site temp. due to fire. Will advise new perm. site.			
Ltr.	9-27-69	Studio & RC: 50 Pleasant St., Newburyport			
BR-3438	3-30-72	(LONG) RENEWAL OF LICENSE		4-1-75	
EBSA	6-12-72				
BR-3438(S)	3-31-75	RENEWAL		4-1-78	
BTC-7899	3/3/76	Vol TC	EFF: 3/15/76		
CONTEL	7-22-76	Obstruction marking & lighting DELETED			
BZ-9291(L)	2-8-77	Direct Measurement		4-1-78	
BAL-8995	6/22/77	Vol AL	EFF: 7-13-77		
BR-3438(L)	3-28-78	Renewal of License		4-1-81	
BTC7906	7-13-79	Vol. TC			
Ltr.	8-17-79	Chg. SL (See card 1)			

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June 1975 #2

BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

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Station location

Name of licensee

Transmitter location

Main studio location

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From-- To
BZ-800108AI(L)	3-6-80	DIRECT	MEASUREMENT		4-1-81

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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Name THEODORE FEINSTEIN
PO 185 Devonshire St., Boston, Massachusetts

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BP-9027	9-24-53	Construction permit for a new standard broad-	DOCKET NO. 11141	
Rec'd	9-28-53	cast station to be operated on:	GRANTED	10-31-56
Filed	9-28-53	Frequency: 1340kc 1470kc	After Hearing	
		Power: 250w 500w	DECISION AND ORDER	
		Hours of operation: Unlimited Daytime	ISSUED	
		Trans. Location: At rotary on Newburyport		
		Turnpike (Route 1) 1.0 mile		
		south of center of		
		Newburyport, Massachusetts		
		Studio Location: At rotary on Newburyport		
		Turnpike (Route 1) 1.0 mile		
		south of center of		
		Newburyport, Massachusetts		
		Robert E. L. Kennedy, Engr.		
(SEE CARD NO. 2 for Amendment)				

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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Name **THEODORE FEINSTEIN**

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BP-9027 (CONTINUED) AMENDED REC'D FILED	3-18-54 3-26-54 3-26-54	AMENDED to change frequency to 1470kc, power to 500w, hours of operation to daytime, change transmitter location to 271 Ferry Road, 0.7 mile north of Rings Island Village, Salisbury, Massachusetts, change studio location to To be determined, Newburyport, Massachusetts, and change type of transmitter (GATES BC-500-GY).	See Card #1 for Action	
BMP-7564 Rec'd Filed	3-7-57 3-8-57 3-8-57	Modification of Construction Permit (BP-9027 which authorized a new standard broadcast station) to change type transmitter (RCA BTA-500MX) and operate transmitter by remote control from Traffic Circle, Route 17, Newburyport, Massachusetts (studio location).	GRANTED	3-8-57

FORM BC-121 #3
AUG. 1955

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Name **THEODORE FEINSTEIN**

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File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BL-6566 Rec'd Filed	3-4-57 3-7-57 3-7-57	License to cover Construction Permit (BP-9027 as mod.) which authorized a new standard broadcast station.	GRANTED	4-16-57
BZ-3909 Rec'd Filed	8-2-57 8-5-57 8-5-57	Authority to determine operating power by the direct measurements of the antenna power.	GRANTED	10-2-57
BAL-2862 Rec'd Filed	11-14-57 11-18-57 11-18-57	Voluntary assignment of license to Tri-City Broadcasting Co., Inc.	GRANTED EFF: Cond. that Tri-City BC Co. Inc. file copy of Art. of Inc. certified to by Sec. of State or other official, prior to 2-1-58.	12-9-57 1-16-58
Per letter 10-31-58 station now represented by Smith & Pepper, Washington, D.C.				

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TRI-CITY BROADCASTING CO., INC.

NEWBURYPORT, MASSACHUSETTS

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BR-3438 Rec'd Filed	12-24-59 12-31-59 12-31-59	Renewal of License.	GRANTED	3-9-60
BR-3438 Rec. & Filed	1/22/63 2/19/63	Renewal of License Smith & Pepper, Attys.	GRANTED	3-29-63
BR-3438 R & F	12-28-65 12-30-65	Renewal of license Atty- Donald E. Bilger (Smith & Pepper)	GRANTED	3-21-66
BR-3438 R & F \$485579 \$75. PRESS JAN 3 1 1969	1-2-69 1-23-69 1-23-69	Renewal of license AMENDED 2-17-69 re: Updated Bal. Sheet & supplemental engineering Atty. Arthur V. Weinberg AMENDED 3-25-69 re: Programming	GRANTED	4-7-69

Atty. called 1-29-69 re: need current bal. sheet and answer to Para. 5 of sec. II, reading of
monitors

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Name **TRI-CITY BROADCASTING CO., INC.**
NEWBURYPORT, MASSACHUSETTS

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BR-3438 R & F PN PRESS	12-28-71 1-3-72 1-6-72 JAN 19 1972	Renewal of License Atty-Mark S. Fowler AMENDED 2-22-72 re: programming & financial data AMENDED 3-14-72 re: statement on programming	GRANTED	3-30-72

The Commission by Memo. 73.93(j).	1-21-74	Opinion & Order ordered station to forfeit \$250 for violation of sec.		
BR-3438 R & F PN Recd. PRESS	11-22-74 11-27-74 " " JAN 24 1975	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Jas. L. Oyster, Atty.	GRANTED	3-31-75

BTC-7899 R & F FEE FD: \$200 #501415 CODE 047 DEC 9 1975	11-18-75 11-21-75 DEC 9 1975	Voluntary transfer of control of lic corp from Theodore Feinstein to Ensign Broadcasting Co., Inc. Atty - Dow, Lohnes & Albertson (J. Feore, Jr.) AMENDED 1-28-76 - financial data (revised) AMENDED 2-26-76 - show officers; ltrs re B/C & bus.int.	GRANTED EFF: NW FEE REQ: Pd W 545590	3/3/76 3/15/76 Pd 3/26/76 W 545590

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Name ESSEX BROADCASTING CORPORATION
NEWBURYPORT, MASSACHUSETTS

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BR-3438 R & F P.N. PRESS	11-23-77 11-29-77 11-29-77	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Atty. Alfred C. Frawley (Fletcher, Heald, Kenehan & Hildreth)	GRANTED	3-28-78
DEC 27 1977				
BTC790625GA Form 316 PRESS	6-20-79 JUL 5 1979	Vol. TC from Alvin Yudkoff, Robert Dudley, George Bingham, et al (all stockholders) to NEW ENGLAND BROADCASTING CORPORATION MUTUALLY CONTINGENT ON GR OF WSME & WSME-FM (BTC(H)790625GB/GC) Atty - David Rozzelle (Fletcher, Heald, etc)	GRANTED	7-13-79

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ESSEX BROADCASTING CORPORATION

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Newburyport, Massachusetts

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BZ-9291 R & F DM PRESS	10-14-76 10-18-76 11-1-76 NOV 15 1976	Direct Measurement	GRANTED	2-8-77
BAL-8995 R & F FORM 314 PN filed	5-6-77 5-11-77 MAY 19 1977 6/1/77	Voluntary assignment of license to ESSEX BROADCASTING CORPORATION REQUEST WAIVER SECTION 1.597 REQUEST FOR TEMPORARY EMERGENCY AUTHORIZATION	GRANTED EFF:	6/22/77 7-13-77 (assignee)
Atty - Fletcher, Heald etc AMENDED 5-31-77 clarif. re financing; dates re survey statement re staff; Sec.VI filed				

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Name: ESSEX BROADCASTING CORPORATION

Station Location: Newburyport, Massachusetts

File No.	Date	Description	Action and Date
BZ-800108AI R & F DM PRESS	1-8-80 1-18-80	DIRECT MEASUREMENT Atty: David C. Rozzelle(Fletcher, Heald ect.)	GRANTED 3-6-80
BR-801201XA PRESS	JAN 21 1981	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Atty. David C. Rozzelle(Fletcher,Heald ect.) AMENDED 2-10-81 re: Ownership Report & programming	GRANTED 3-31-81

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. 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.

