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June 1973

FREQUENCY MODULATION

# BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Official Number 3270

Date first licensed April 20, 1977

Call letters WPNM

Station location Ottawa, Ohio

Name of licensee WPNM, INC. (AL: 11-1-79 EFF: 11-5-79)  
x TRIPLETT BROADCASTING CO., INC.

Transmitter location 316 Glandorf Rd., Ottawa, Ohio (redescription ltr. 11-16-76)  
x 0.25 mi N of US Rte 224; 0.4 mi W. of Ottawa, Ohio  
{PH 10-13-76}

Main studio location Same as transmitter (Ltr. 11-16-76)  
x 104C West Main Street, Ottawa, Ohio {PH 10-13-76}

# CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From- To.
BPH-9775 HAAT: 265 (L)	10-13-76 {H&V}	106.3MHz ch 292 CP NEW FM Station	ERP: 3kw Class-A	{H&V}	U RC 10-13-77
Ltr. - - - -	11-16-76	Chg. SL, redescrbe TL, delete RC			
BPH 9775 (L)	1-17-77	Call Letters assigned, & EBSA. <del>xxxxxx</del>			
BSCA-1692	3-2-77	SCA on 67 Kiloherztz			
BLH-7281 (L)	4-20-77	Lic. (BPH-9775) for new sta.			10-1-79
BALH790809GY	11-1-79	VOL. AL & SCA COND		EFF:	11-5-79
BTCH791220HG	1-24-80	VOL. TC		EFF:	1-24-80
BRH790601UM	9-21-79	RENEWAL			10-1-82
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BMSCA-801223AF	2-19-81	Mod. of SCA to make changes in Programming and Equipment.			

# APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call **W P N M**  
Letters **X NEW-FM**

Name **Triplet Broadcasting Co., Inc.**  
**Ottawa, Ohio (PO Wendell A. Triplett, Lafayette Ave., Route 1, Marion, N. J. 08053)**

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BPH-9775	2-10-76	CP for New FM on: 106.3mhz #292	GRANTED	10-13-76
R & F	2-17-76	ERP: 3KW(H&V) HAAT: 267' (H&V)	gr fee \$1,350	
#531942 \$200	2-19-76	Trans: AEL FM-2.5KD; Ant: Phelps-Dodge	Pd 002	11-22-76
Code 001	MAR 11 1976	CFM-LP3, 3 sects. (H&V)	W 638258	
Press	4-16-76	TL: .25 miles North of U.S. Rt. 224, .4 miles West of Ottawa, Ohio		
P. N. Rec'd		SL-RC: 104C West Main Street, Ottawa, Ohio		
		41° 1' 22" - 84° 3' 40"		
		Atty:---		
		Engr:-----		
AMENDED	3-18-76	Section IV-A, Exhibit 4A-1 (Community Survey)		
AMENDED	7-29-76	Explanation of Section IV-A		
AMENDED	8-25-76	Engineering data		
BLH-7281	1-14-77	Lic. (BPH-9775) for new station	GRANTED	4-20-77
R & F	1-18-77	TPO: 2259 kw ERP: 3000Kw		
PTA	1-26-77	Trans. CSI T3F		
PRESS	MAR 14 1977	F.C.C. - WASHINGTON, D. C.		

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Call Letters W P N M

WPNM, INC.

Name x Triplet Broadcasting Co., Inc.  
Ottawa, Ohio

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BSCA-1692 R & F PRESS	1-26-77 1-28-77 FEB 24 1977	Request for Subsidiary Communications Authorization on a subcarrier frequency of 67 kilohertz  Atty---	GRANTED	3-2-77
BRH790601UM PRESS	JUL 10 1979	Renewal of License Atty. Roy F. Perkins, Jr.	GRANTED	9-21-79
SAL 790809GY FORM 311 PRESS: AUG 30 1979 PN FILED	11-2-79	Vol assignment of license to WPNM, INC. (INCLUDE SCA) (over)  STATEMENT IN COMPLIANCE AND, IN THE ALTERNATIVE, REQ. FOR WAIVER OF SEC. 73.240(a)(2)  Atty - Roy F. Perkins, Jr. AMENDED 8-31-79 - legal data	GRANTED EFF:	11-1-79 COND'L 11-5-79

BALH790809GY Amended 9-7-79 re: Name of assignor is  
TRIPLETT BROADCASTING COMPANY, INC. & stock ownership &  
B/c int. of assignees

AMENDED 10-29-79 re: bank ltr.; legal data; cost of  
acquisition & operation; financial plan & b/c revenues

## APPLICATION RECORD-BROADCASTING

Call Letters: W P N M

Name: WPNM, INC.

Station Location: Ottawa, Ohio

File No.	Date	Description	Action and Date
BTCH791220HG Form 316 PRESS JAN 9 1980	12-17-79	Vol. TC from Charles R. Earl to Charles R. Earl (48.49%) and Patricia A. Earl (2.15%) as Husband & Wife  Atty - Roy F. Perkins, Jr.	GRANTED 1-24-80 EFF: 1-24-80
BMSCA801223AF PRESS (0)		Modification of Subsidiary Communications Authorization to make chgs. in Programming & Equipment.  Atty. Rodney L. Joyce (Kirkland & Ellis)	GRANTED: 2-19-81

## 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 12<sup>th</sup> 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.

