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#1.

BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Authority-For-On-Air-Identification as "Skokie-Chicago" 10-22-71.

Date first licensed 12-5-62

W C L R (eff: 12-10-70)
Call letters W R S V

Station location Skokie, Illinois

BONNEVILLE INTERNATIONAL CORPORATION (ALH 8/11/75 EFF: 10/2/75)

*RADIO SKOKIE VALLEY, INC. (AP 6-19-61, EFF: 7-1-61 per Form 323)

Name of licensee X M. EARLENE STEBBINS

Sears Tower, 233 S. Wacker, Chicago, Illinois (BPH-3-27-74)

x 4849 Golf Road, Skokie, Illinois (PH-7-25-73)

x John Hancock Bldg. 875 N. Michigan Ave, Chicago, Illinois (PH-3-24-71)

X (Kemper Insurance Bldg.)

20 N. Wacker Drive, Chicago, Illinois (Docket 15771; 1-24-69)

X N. Amer. Life Ins. Bldg., 35 E. Wacker Dr., Chicago (Docket 15771; 12-20-67)

Transmitter location X 3611 Oakton Street, Skokie, Illinois

4849
Kenroy Office Plaza, Golf Road At Skokie Blvd, Skokie, Ill. (PH-3-24-71)

X 4849 Gulf Road, Skokie, Illinois (Ltr. 12-4-70)

Main studio location X 3611 Oakton Street, Skokie, Illinois

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Channel and Freq.	ER Power	Time Div.	Period From - To
BPH-2828 TPO:720watts. Construction permit for a new FM Broadcast station.	12-21-60	98.3mcs. Ch.252	1kw. HAAT: 125'	Unl.	2-21-61 8-21-61
BAPH-263 BFF:	6-19-61 7-1-61	Voluntary assignment of construction permit to Radio Skokie Valley, Inc.			
BLH-1916 HAAT:130ft. Lic. to cover CP (BPH-2828) for a new FM B/C Station.	12-5-62	98.3mcs	1kw TOP:680w	U	12-5 12-1- 64
8-24-66	Telegram. Interim authority granted to operate on Ch. 270, 101.9mc, Eff:8-28-66.				
11-22-66	Telegram. Interim authority extended to 2-15-67				
6-16-67	Telegram. Interim authority extended to 9-1-67 subject to filing amendment by 7-14-67 to data filed 7-14-66 per Docket 15771 for site change.				
Wire DOCKET 15771 HAAT:560' (H&V)	9-6-67 12-20-67	Interim auth. ext. thru 12-1-67. 101.9mcs ERP:12kw(H&V) Unl. 2-20-68 Ch.#270 TPO:5.9kw RC 8-20-68 Data submitted 7-14-66(amended), in accord. with Comm. Memo Opinion & Order in Docket No. 15771, adopted 6-15-66 & rel. 6-16-67 showing proposed oper. on above facilities; new ant.-trans. loc.; Gates FM-10H trans.; Gates FMC-4, 4 sect. ant.			
12-19-67	Wire	Interim Auth. ext. thru 2-19-68			
Wire	3-13-68	Interim Auth. ext. thru 5-20-68			
Wire	5-24-68	Above auth ext thru 8-20-68			
R Wire	9-6-68	Ext. above auth. thru 10-1-68.			
WIRE	10-24-68	Interim auth. extended thru 11-15-68.			
DOCKET NO. 15771 (L)	1-24-69	101.9mc. ERP: 12kw Unl. 6-20-69 HAAT: 560' TPO: 7.8kw (RC) MP(DOCKET NO.15771)chg. ant-trans loc; chg.antenna(Andrew-1302-2 sects); chg. TPO; delete vert. polarisation; and chg HAAT; And EXT. OF COMPLETION DATE.			
DOC. NO. 15771 (L)	7-25-69	License to cover CP Dkt. 15771 12-1-70			

Form BC 126

June 1954

FM BROADCAST

BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

CARD NO. 2

Date first licensed

Call letters W R S V

Station location

Name of licensee

Transmitter location

Main studio location

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From - To
BTC-6244	8-5-70	VOL TO EFF: 8-10-70			
BRH-1349(S)	11-30-70	Renewal			
Ltr.	12-4-70	Studio & RC: 4849 Gulf Rd., Skokie, Ill.			
BSH-1349(I)	12-10-70	ML chg. call & pickup SL & RC			
BSCA-1,056	12-8-70	SCA 67kc			12-1-73
LETTER	3-17-71 By Commission Action, FCC 71-282.				
&	Authority experimental basis transmit facsimile signals on SCA Sub-Carrier 67kc ending 4-20-71.				
BPH-7379	3-24-71	101.9mc	ERP: 6kw(h&v)	5-24	3-24-72
HAAT: 1,170'(h&v)		Ch#270	TPO: To be specified in lic.		
COND'L		CP chg. trans, studio & RC loc. make chg. in ant system. chg. TPO, ERP and HAAT. Install ant.			
Comtel	7-7-71	Temp. ant. ope. BPH-7379 to 7-30-71			
BLH-5210(L)	9-8-71	Lic.(BPH-7379) for changes.			12-1-73
		TPO. 6.2kw.			
BLH-5245(L)	11-17-71	101.9mc. 6kw(H&V) 1170'(H&V)			12-1-73
		Lic. to use former Main as Alt-Main Transmitters.			
EBSA	5-22-72				
COMTEL	9-5-72	Temp. Auth. oper. studio from 4849 Golf Rd. & reduce ERP.			
BPH-8332	7-25-73	101.9mhz.	ERP: 20kw	7-25-74	
HAAT: 110'		#270	Class B (RC)		
FORFEITED 2-21-75		CP install new aux. trans., ant., at Main SL.			
		For Auxiliary Purposes Only.			
BPH-8332	7-25-73	Supersede to correct transmitter loc. ant. description, delete RC			
BPH-8332	7-25-73	Supersedes to add on remote control			
BRH-1349(S)	11-30-73	RENEWAL			12-1-76
BRSCA-1056	"	" of SCA			"
BPH-8832	3-27-74	101.9mhz.	ERP: 3kw(H&V)	3-27-75	
HAAT: 1,520'(H&V)		(RC)	CP to chg. TL & ant.(MAIN)		
		chg. ERP & HAAT.			
BMPH-14,186(I)	8-15-74	MP(BPH-8332) ext. time to			10-25-74
FORFEITED	2-21-75				

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BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed

Call letters WCLB

Station location

Name of licensee see card #1

Transmitter location

Main studio location

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From.. To.
BMSCA-376 (1)	18-16-74	Mod of SCA. to make chgs and programming			
BMSCA-385(2)	8-28-74	Mod of SCA, make chgs. in programming.			
BLH-6381(L) HAAT: 1520'	10-17-74 ERP: 3kw	Lic. (BPH-8832)-Changes (H&V) RC			12-1-76
BALH-2161 BASCA-697	8/11/75	Vol ALH EFF: 10/2/75			
BRH-1349(L) BRSCA-1056	11-23-76 "	Renewal Main & Alt. Renewal of SCA			12-1-79 "
EBSA	4-20-77				
BMLH-800820AF	10-23-80	MODIFICATION OF LICENSE TO CHG. TRANSMISSION SYSTEM.			
BPH800229AA LAAT: 1,520' (L)	9-11-80 (h&v)	101.9mhz. ERP: 4.6kW (h&v) CP to incre. ERP; HAAT & chg. type Trans. & chg. TPO.			9-11-81

FORM RC-121
AUG. 1955

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Name M. EARLENE STEBBINS
PO MRS. STEBBINS 9244 Avers Ave., Skokie, Ill.

Call
Letters WRSV
LOCATION: SKOKIE,
ILLINOIS

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BPH-2828 R. & F.	10-24-59	Construction permit for a new FM broadcast station to be operated on: Frequency: 98.3mc CH 252 ERP: 1kw HAAT: 131' Antenna: Andrew 1302-2 2 Sections Trans.: GATES FM-1B Ant-Trans.Location: 3611 Oakton St. Skokie, Ill. Studio Location: Same as trans. McKenna & Wilkinson (6-10-60) Attys-Kirkland, Ellis, Hodson, Chaffetz, & Masters- Engr.-F.M. Unlimited, Chicago, Ill.	GRANTED HAAT: 125'	12-21-60
	10-27-59			
BAPH-263 Rec'd Filed	4-26-61	Voluntary assignment of construction permit to Radio Skokie Valley, Inc. Vernon L. Wilkinson, Atty.	GRANTED	6-19-61
	4-28-61			
	4-28-61			
			EFF:	7-1-61
			per Form	323

AUG. 1955

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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call
Letters W R S VName RADIO SKOKIE VALLEY, INC.
SKOKIE, ILLINOIS

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BIH-1916 R & F	8-5-61 8-8-61	Lic. to cover CP(BPH-2828) as used for a new FM broadcast station. McKenna & Wilkinson, Attys. PETITION FOR REHEARING filed 1-7-63 by Paul Porter for WFMT (FM) PETITION FOR HEARING filed 1-7-63 by North Shore Fine Arts Committee OPPOSITION TO PETITIONS filed 1-18-63 by Molnar for applicant REPLY TO OPPOSITIONS TO PETITIONS filed 1-31-63 by Porter for WFMT(FM)	GRANTED	12-5-62
BRH-1349 Rec'd Filed	8-31-64 9-1-64 9-1-64	Renewal of license Atty. Lorie M. Molnar Supplemental Application filed as amendment to Renewal Application 9-7-67. Atty-James A. Gammon	DISMISSED as Moot. Program tests issued under new frequency.	7-3-69

AUG. 1955

CARD #3

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call

Letters W R S V

Name RADIO SKOKIE VALLEY, INC.
SKOKIE, ILLINOIS

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
DATA R & F OCT 19 1967	7-11-66 7-14-66	Data submitted 7-14-66 in compliance with Commission Report, Memorandum Opinion, and Order, Docket No. 15771, adopted 6-15-66 and released 6-16-66, showing proposed operation on 101.9mcs, Ch.#270; change ant.-trans. and studio location to 6301-North Sheridan Road, Chicago, Illinois ; install new trans. (Gates EM-5C); install dual polarized ant. (Gates EM-244200-2, 2-horizontal and 2-vertical sections); increase TPO to 3.73kw; increase horizontal ERP to 3.5kw and operate with vertical ERP of 3.45kw; and increase HAAT to 285 feet . Molnar and Gammon, Attys.	GRANTED	12-20-67
SEE CARD #4 FOR AMENDMENT.				

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call
Letters WBSVName RADIO SKOKIE VALLEY, INC.
SKOKIE, ILLINOIS

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
DOCKET NO. 15771 CONTINUED AMENDMENT R & F	10-3-67 10-4-67	AMENDED to change ant.-trans. and-studio location to North American Life Insurance Building, 35 East Wacker Drive, Chicago, Illinois; change type trans. (Gates FM-10H); change type dual polarized ant. (Gates FMC-4, 4 sections); and change TPO to 5.945kw, ERP to 12kw(H&V) and HAAT to 560 feet.	SEE CARD #3	
AMENDMENT R & F	12-8-67 12-12-67	AMENDED to show studio location and remote control point as 3611 Oakton Street, Skokie, Illinois.		
DOCKET NO. 15771 R & F #453183 \$30 Refund \$30	8-19-68 8-20-68 8-20-68 9-9-68	MP(DOCKET NO. 15771) ext. time to 9-20-68 (changes)	GRANTED to	1-24-69 6-30-69

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(over)

Docket No. 15771 - requesting ext. to 2-20-69 (instead of 9-20-68) - to Landis 11-20-68.

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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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Name **RADIO SKOKIE VALLEY, INC.**
SKOKIE, ILLINOIS

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
DOCKET NO. 15771 R & F #483731 \$30 Refunded \$30 JAN 23 1969	1-12-69 1-15-69 1-15-69 1-22-69	MP(Docket No.15771) chg. ant-trans loc. to 20 N. Wacker Dr., Chicago, Illinois; chg. type ant(Andrew-1302-2, 2 sects); chg. TPO: 7.725kw; and delete vertical polarization and chg. HAAT 561 feet. Attys- <u>Molnar</u> and Gammon	GRANTED	1-24-69
DOCKET NO. 15771 R & F #523132 \$30 PT JUL 25 1969	6/16/69 6/18/69 6/18/69 6/26/69	Data filed 6/18/69 in accordance with Comm. Report, Memorandum Opinion, and Order in Docket No. 15771, adopted 6-15-66 and released 6-16-66, for license. Refunded \$30-7/24/69 Atty: Lorie M. Molnar	GRANTED	7-25-69
BTC -3244 R & F FEE PD: \$75 -#589371 Pub. notice filed 5-27-70	3-31-70 3-31-70	Voluntary transfer of control of lic corp from Mrs. M. Earlene Stebbins to Bonneville International Corporation Atty for transferor - Lorie Molnar for transferee - Wilkinson, Cragun & Barker AMENDED 6-19-70 - bank ltr re loan; bal. sheet AMENDED 7-30-70 (transferee) - legal data re stock & drctrs. F.E.C. - WASHINGTON, D.C.	GRANTED EFF:	8-5-70 8-10-70

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Form BC-121
September 1969

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call **WCLB**
Letters **XWRSV**Name **RADIO SKOKIE VALLEY, INC.**
SKOKIE, ILLINOIS

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BRH-1349 R & F PN Recd. PRESS SEP 15 1970	9-1-70 " 9-3-70	RENEWAL OF LICENSE	GRANTED	11-30-70
BSCA-1,056 R & F #647494 \$50. CODE 068 PRESS: DEC 9 1970	12-1-70 12-3-70 12-3-70	Request for Subsidiary Communications Authorization on a sub-carrier frequency of 67kilo-cycles. Atty-Gordon C. Coffman(Wilkinson, Cragun etc).	GRANTED	12-8-70

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call
Letters W C L R

Name Radio Skokie Valley, Inc.
Skokie, Illinois

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BPH-7379	11-9-70	CP chg. Trans loc: John Hancock Building, 875 N. Michigan Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.	GRANTED	3-24-71
R & F	12-31-70	chg. Studio & Remote Control loc: Kenroy	COND'L	
#653938 \$100.	12-31-70	Office Plaza, Golf Road at Skokie Blvd, Skokie, Illinois. Install Ant(ALFORD- DELTA	Section 73.317(a),	
REFUND: \$50.		DIPPLE -1 sects); make. chgs in ant system.	(12), (13), and (14)	
CODE 061		(incr. hght). TPO: NOT YET DETERMINED. chg.	of the Commission's	
PRESS: 2 2 FEB 1971		ERP: 6kw and HAAT: 1173.5 feet.	rules.	
		41° 53' 56" - 87° 37' 23"		
		Atty-Rosel H. Hyde(Wilkinson, Cragun etc)		
		Engr-Vincent E. Clayton		
AMENDED	2-23-71	Engr. Statement.		
Annual filing fee \$144.00 paid 12-1-70 #647167.				

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call
Letters **WCLB**

Name **RADIO SKOKIE VALLEY, INC.**
Skokie, Illinois

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BLH-5210 R & F #W 022991\$50. AC-068 PTA PRESS PTA 420	8-10-71 8-10-71 8-10-71 8-16-71 SEP 3 1971	Lic.(BPH-7379) for changes. Transmitter: GATES, FM-10-H3. Atty: Gordon C. Coffman(Wilkinson, Cragun & Barker)	GRANTED	9-8-71
Ltr. Dated PRESS: 19 OCT 1971	10-12-71	REQUEST FOR SECTION 73.1201(b)(2) OF THE RULES TO IDENTIFY AS Skokie-Chicago, Illinois.		
BLH-5245 R & F W 005105-\$50. AC-068 PTA PRESS	9-17-71 9-17-71 9-17-71 9-23-71 NOV 16 1971	Lic. to use former Main Trans.(GATES, FM-10-H) as Alternate-Main Transmitter. Atty: Robert W. Barker(Wilkinson, Cragun & Barker)	GRANTED	11-17-71

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

101.9mhz

Call
Letters W.C.L.R.

Name Radio Skokie Valley, Inc.
Skokie, Illinois

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BPH-8332	3-19-73	CP to install a new Aux. Trans. (Collins 734A) and Aux. Ant. (Andrew Multi-V, 4 sects.) at Main Studio Loc.: 4849 Golf Road at Skokie Blvd., Skokie, Illinois; to be operated on 101.9mhz #270; TPO: 10KW; ERP: 35.3KW and HAAT: 108'.	GRANTED	7-25-73
R & F	3-23-73			
#166515 \$50	3-23-73			
Code 061	APR 12 1973	Atty: Gordon C. Coffman	FORFEITED	2-21-75
Press				
AMENDED	6-20-73	ERP: 20KW. Operate by RC from the SL: 4849 Golf Road at Skokie Blvd., Skokie, Illinois,		
AMENDED	6-28-73			
Press	JUL 23 1973			

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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Letters **W C L R**

Name **RADIO SKOKIE VALLEY, INC.**
Skokie, Illinois

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BRH-1349 R & F P.N. PRESS BRSCA-1056 R & F	8-28-73 9-4-73 9-4-73 OCT 9 1973 8-28-73 9-4-73	Renewal of License (Main & Alternate Main) Atty.: Gordon C. Coffman Renewal of SCA	GRANTED	11-30-73
BPH-8832 R & F #290011 \$50 Code 057 Press	3-4-74 3-12-74 3-13-74 MAR 19 1974	CP to chg. TL to: Sears Tower, 233 South Wacker, Chicago, Illinois; install new ant. (Gates FMS-1, 1 sect. (H&V); make chg. ant. system (incr. hght.); chg. TPO; ERP: 3KW(H&V); and HAAT: 1522' (H&V). (MAIN TRANSMITTER) (41° 52' 44" - 87° 38' 10") Atty: Gordon C. Coffman(Wilkinson, Cragun & Barker)	GRANTED	3-27-74
<i>PTA-7-22-74</i> <i>302-7-12-74</i> Ltr.	4-2-74 4-26-74 5-3-74 6-12-74	PETITION FOR RECONSIDERATION FILED BY WEFA, INC. OPPOSITION TO PETITION FOR RECONSIDERATION FILED BY RADIO SKOKIE VALLEY, INC. PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME FILED BY WEFA(FM) DISMISS PETITION FOR RECONSIDERATION FILED BY APPLICANT ATTY. WITHOUT PREJUDICE.		

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

101.9mhz.

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Letters W C L R

Name Radio Skokie Valley, Inc.
Skokie, Illinois

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BMPH-14,186 R & F #329531 \$50 Code 057 Press	7-25-74 7-25-74 7-26-74 AUG 2 - 1974	MP(BPH- 8832 ⁸³³²) ext. time to 10-1-74. (Changes) (Aux.) Atty: Robert W. Barker	GRANTED TO FORFEITED	8-15-74 10-25-74 2-21-75
BMSCA-376 R & F #329174 \$50 Code 057 Press	7-17-74 7-24-74 7-25-74 AUG 5 - 1974	Mod. of Subsidiary Communications Authorization to make changes in equipment and programming. Atty: William R. Loftus(Wilkinson, Cragun & Barker)	GRANTED	8-16-74
BMSCA-385 R & F #336242 \$50 Code 057 Press	8-12-74 8-15-74 8-20-74 AUG 23 1974	Mod. of Subsidiary Communications Authoriza- tion to make changes in programming. Atty: Gordon C. Coffman(Wilkinson, Cragun & Barker)	GRANTED	8-28-74
BLH -6381 R & F W 328296-\$50 PTA PRESS	7-16-74 7-19-74 7-19-74-057 7-29-74 OCT 3 1974	Lic.(BPH-8832)-Change trans. & ante. loc. Main trans. Atty: Wilkinson, Cragun & Barker(G. C. Coffman)	GRANTED	10-17-74

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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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Letters W C L R

BONNEVILLE INTERNATIONAL CORPORATION

Name X Radio Skokie Valley, Inc.
Skokie, Illinois

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BMSCA-407 R & F #450065\$100 Code 001 PRESS	7-3-75 7-8-75 7-17-75 JUL 20 1975	Mod. of Subsidiary Communications Authoriza- tion to make changes in programming and equip- ment. Atty: William R. Loftus	Dismissed (Request of Applicant)	2-27-76
BALH-2161 BASCA-697 R & F FEE PD: \$100 # 455994 CODE 047 (FORM 316) AUG 7 1975	7-24-75 7-25-75	Voluntary assignment of license and SCA to BONNEVILLE INTERNATIONAL CORPORATION (SEE OVER) Atty - Wilkinson, Cragun & Barker	GRANTED EFF: no gr fee req	8/11/75 10/2/75
BRH-1349 BRSCA-1056 R & F PN Recd. PRESS	7-28-76 7-28-76 8-2-76 " AUG 17 1976	RENEWAL OF LICENSE (MAIN & ALTER.MAIN) RENEWAL OF SCA Wm. R. Loftus, Atty.	GRANTED	11-23-76

RE: BALH-2161 - Assignee is Utah corp - cert of auth db
in Illinois not filed. (assignee is parent corp of licens

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 Name **BONNEVILLE INTERNATIONAL CORPORATION**
SKOKIE, ILLINOIS

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BMSCA781207AI PRESS	JAN 8 1979	Mod. of Subsidiary Communications Authorization to make changes in Programing.	GRANTED	1-25-79
BRH790731US BRSCA "n" PRESS SEP 7 1979		Renewal of License (Main, Aux. Trans. & SCA) Atty.: Stephen A. Hilderbrandt PETITION TO DENY filed 11-1-79 by Arnold S. Rosenberg, Counsel on behalf of Latino Committee on the Media. MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME FOR FILING OPPOSITION TO PETITION TO DENY filed 11-30-79 by Robert W. Barker, Counsel on behalf of Bonneville International Corporation.. (OVER)	GRANTED	4-14-82

(BRH790731US) OPPOSITION TO PETITION TO DENY filed
12-14-79 by Robert W. Barker, Counsel on behalf of
Bonnevile International Corporation.

AMENDED 3-27-80 re: EEO

Ltr. 6-11-80 re: EEO

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101.9MHz

APPLICATION RECORD-BROADCASTING

Call Letters: W C L R

Name: BONNEVILLE INTERNATIONAL CORPORATION

Station Location: Skokie, Illinois

File No.	Date	Description	Action and Date
BPH800229AA PRESS (O)	JUL 23 1980	CP to increase ERP to: 4.61kw (H&V); incre. HAAT: 1522' (H&V); chg. type Trans. & chg. TPO. Atty. Stephen A. Hildebrandt (Wilkinson, Cragun & Barker)	GRANTED 9-11-80
BMLH-800820AF PTA PRESS	SEP 12 1980	Modification of License to install new transmission system. Atty: --	GRANTED 10-23-80
BLH-810723AE PTA PRESS	AUG 6 1981	License to cover (BPH-800229AA) for changes. Atty: Timothy C. Sloan	GRANTED 3-5-82

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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.

