

WGBI



REMOVABLE LABEL GUIDE

Cat. No. 4550L

Patent No. 1390199

2-S-B-373

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BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

R.C

Date First

Licensed 1-13-25

Call

Letters WGBI

LOCATION: SCRANTON, PENNSYLVANIA

Name of

WGBI RADIO, INC. (AL 10-15-56; EFF:11-28-56)

Licensee:

x Scranton Broadcasters, Incorporated

Davis and McCarty Sts., Scranton, Pa. (CP 2-16-50)

Transmitter x

East Mountain (Drinker Turnpike) Scranton, Pa. (Lic. 6-20-29)

Location:

x 318 Adams Avenue, Scranton, Pa.

18509

Main Studio x

1000 Wyoming Avenue, Scranton, Pennsylvania (Letter 4-2-35)
x Select Bldg., 116 n. Washington Ave., Scranton, Pa. (Lic. 6-20-29)
318 Adams Avenue, Scranton, Pa.

Location:

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CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	PERIOD From To
2-S-B-373	T.P. 4-22-27	1250	50	-	not stated
"	6-1-27	1300	100	WQAN	6-1 7-13-27
Effec. date of previous lic. deferred by G.O. 13					6-15 8-15-27
2-B-B-373	6-15-27	1300	250	WQAN	6-15 8-15-27
2-R-B-373	8-8-27	Letter of extension			8-15 10-15-27
Extended by G.O. 18					10-15 11-1-27
2-R-B-373	10-24-27	Letter of extension			11-1 1-1-28
Extended by G.O. 21					1-1 2-1-28
"	" " " 22				2-1 3-1-28
"	" " " 23				3-1 4-1-28
"	" " " 25				4-1 5-1-28
"	" " " 27				5-1 6-1-28
"	" " " 33				6-1 8-1-28
"	" " " 35				8-1 9-1-28
"	" " " 38				9-1 10-1-28
"	" " " 44				10-1 11-11-28
2-R-B-373	10-31-28	880	250	WQAN	11-11 1-31-29
Allocation					11-11-28
2-R-B-373	1-12-29	880	250	WQAN	1-31 4-30-29
2-P-B-601	4-12-29	Chg. Loc. of Transmitter			C. Date 6-5-29
2-R-B-373	4-25-29	880	250	WQAN	4-30 7-31-29
2-M-B-334	6-20-29	880	250	WQAN	6-20 7-31-29
Covers C.P. issued 4-12-29					
2-R-B-334	License extended by G. O. #69				7-31 10-31-29
2-R-B-334	10-28-29	880	250	WQAN	10-31 1-31-30
2-R-B-334	1-15-30	880	250	WQAN	1-31 4-30-30
2-R-B-334	4-5-30	880	250	WQAN	4-30 7-31-30
2-R-B-334	7-7-30	880	250	WQAN	7-31 10-31-30
2-R-B-373	10-10-30	880	250	WQAN	10-31 1-31-31
G.O. 103	1-30-31	Extension of License			1-31 4-30-31
2-R-B-373	4-31-31	880	250	WQAN	4-30 9-1-31
2-R-B-373	8-7-31	880	250	WQAN	9-1 3-1-32
2-R-B-373	2-9-32	880	250	WQAN	3-1 9-1-32
Letter Min. 7-22-32 Postpone install. freq. monitor					8-31-32
2-R-B-373	8-12-32	880	250	WQAN	9-1 3-1-33
2-R-B-373	2-10-33	880	250	WQAN	3-1 9-1-33
2-P-B-2821	3-17-33	Changes in equipment			4-17 7-17-33
L-B-969	6-2-33	880	250 (equip)	WQAN	6-2 9-1-33
2-R-B-373	8-4-33	880	250	WQAN	9-1 3-1-34
2-S-B-373	1-16-34	Use additional 250w-EXP.			1-16 3-1-34

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Name of

Licensee: SCRANTON BROADCASTERS, INC. INCORPORATED

Transmitter

Location: _____

Main Studio

Location: _____

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					From	To
R-B-373	2-6-34	880	250w	WQAN	3-1 9-1-34	
SA-B-108	2-27-34	Use additional	250w-EXP		3-1 9-1-34	
S-B-373	5-10-34	Use tr. of WQAN	pending repair		5-10-34	
B2-R-373	8-14-34	880	250w	WQAN	9-1 3-1-35	
B2-SA-23	8-28-34	Extension of authority to	oper. with		9-1 3-1-35	
		additional 250 watts				
B2-SA-96	4-26-35	Ext. S.A. Exp. add.	250w		3-1 9-1-35	
B2-R-373	2-12-35	880	250w	S-WQAN	3-1 9-1-35	
B2-R-373	8-13-35	880	250w	S-WQAN	9-1 3-1-36	
B2-SA-149	8-13-35	Ext. S.A. Exp. add.	250watts		9-1 3-1-36	
B2-P-264	11-12-35	Chr. equip. incr. pr. to	500w		1-12 7-12-36	
B2-R-373	2-8-36	880	250w	WQAN	3-1 9-1-36	
B2-SA-189	2-21-36	Ext. oper. add.	250w		3-1 9-1-36	
B2-L-341	6-12-36	880	500w	WQAN	6-12 9-1-36	
		Lic. to cover C.F. incr. power and new equipment				
B2-R-373 CA	8-15-36	880	500w	S-WQAN	9-1 3-1-37	
B2-R-373	2-16-37	880	500w	S-WQAN	3-1 9-1-37	
B2-L-586	5-18-37	880	250w	Aux.	5-18 9-1-37	
		Lic. to use WQAN main trans. as aux.				
B2-ML-314	4-27-37	880	500w, 1kw	LS S-WQAN	5-25 9-1-37	
	Eff. 5-25-37					
		Mod. Lic. to increase day power.				
B2-R-373 CA	8-27-37	880	500w, 1kw	LS S-WQAN	9-1 3-1-38	
B2-R-373 CA	8-27-37	880	250w	Aux.	9-1 3-1-38	
B2-R-373 CA	2-15-38	880	500w, 1kw	LS S-WQAN	3-1 9-1-38	
		Aux.	250w			
B2-R-373	8-10-38	880	500w, 1kw	LS S-WQAN	9-1 3-1-39	
Auxiliary			250w			
B2-R-373	2-13-39	880	500w, 1kw	LS S-WQAN	3-1 9-1-39	
Auxiliary			250w			
B4-R-373	8-8-39	880	500w, 1kw	LS S-WQAN	9-1 4-1-40	
Auxiliary			250w			
B2-P-136	10-2-39	Install automatic frequency	control			
B2-P-373	3-12-40	880	500w, 1kw	LS S-WQAN	4-1 8-1-40	
Auxiliary			250w			
B2-S-373	4-13-40	880	500w 1kw	LS S-WQAN	4-13 8-1-40	
		Mod. Lic. to add sunrise				

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Name of licensee SCRANTON BROADCASTERS INCORPORATED

Transmitter location

Main studio location
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APPL. No.	DATE ISSUED	FREQ.	POWER	TIME Div.	PERIOD From— To—
Order	6/12/40	Extension of License (Main and Auxiliary)			8/1 10/1/40
Order	9-10-40	Extension of license (Main and Aux.)			10-1 3-29-41
NARBA REALLOCATION					
B2-R-373 Aux.	3-24-41	910	500w, 1kw-LS 250w	S-WQAN	3-29 4-1-42
B2-Z-1062	7-31-41	910	500w, 1kw-LS	S-WQAN	7-31 4-1-42
Determine operating power of main transmitter by direct method.					
B2-Z-1132	7-31-41	910	250w	Aux.	7-31 4-1-42
Determine operating power of auxiliary transmitter by direct method.					
B2-S-373	3-17-42	Extension of license & Aux.			
B2-R-373 Aux.	4-21-42	910	500w 250w	S-WQAN	4-21 8-1-42
B2-R-373 Aux.	7-14-42	910	500w, 1kw-LS 250w	S-WQAN	8-1 8-1-44
B2-S-373 Aux.	11-6-42	910	500w, 1kw-LS 250w	S-WQAN	12-1 8-1-44
Mod. Lic. in accordance with Order 107					
B2-R-373 Aux.	7-18-44	910	500w, 1kw-LS 250w	S-WQAN	8-1 5-1-47
B2-S-373	9-25-45	910	500w, 1kw-LS	S-WQAN	10-1 5-1-47
Mod. Lic. Order 107A					
B2-S-373 Aux.	9-25-45	910	250kw		10-1 5-1-47
Mod. Lic. Order 107A					
BR-373 Aux.	4-10-47	910	500w, 1kw-LS 250w	S-WQAN	5-1 5-1-50
BTC-638	6-4-48	Invol. transfer of control of licensee Corp. from Frank Megargee, Deceased to M. E. Megargee, Executrix of the Estate of Frank Megargee, Deceased.			
BS-373	6-16-48	910	250 w	Aux.	10-17 5-1-50
Mod. Lic. for aux. 1 to correct geographical coordinates					

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Card # 4

See Card # 1

Name of licensee

Transmitter location

Main studio location

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Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From - To
BP-7407	2-16-50	910	500w, 1kw-LS	S-WQAN	2-16 10-16-50
	CP to change type of T and change T site and make changes in ground system.				
BML-1383	3-20-50	910	500w, 1kw-LS	U	
	Ltr. 3-31-50. Mod. of lic. to change hrs. of operation from share time with WQAN to unlimited. (CONDL. CLAUSE)				
BR-373	4-21-50	910	500w, 1kw-LS	S-WQAN	5-1 5-1-53
BR-373	4-21-50	910	250w	Aux.	5-1 5-1-53
	(See letter dated 5-15-50)				
BML-1383	3-20-50	910	500w, 1kw-LS	U	5-5- 5-1-53
	Effective 5-5-50. Mod. to change hrs. of opera. from share time with WQAN to unlimited.				
BL-4171	9-26-50	910	500w, 1kw-LS	U	9-26 5-1-53
	Lic. cover CP(BP-7407 which auth. chg. in type Transmitter				
BR-373	4-8-53	910kc	500w, 1kw-LS	U	5-1 8-1-54
BR-373	7-28-54	Renewal of license			8-1 8-1-57
BRC-653 (1)	2-8-55	Modification of license to operate transmitter by remote control from 1000 Wyoming Avenue, Scranton, Pennsylvania			
BAL-2426 EFF:	10-15-56 11-28-56	Voluntary assignment of license to: WGBI Radio, Inc.			
BR-373	7-11-57	910kc	500w 1kw-LS	U	8-1 8-1-60
	7-27-60	Operation deferred action on renewal pending further consideration.			
BR-373	9-20-60	Renewal of License			9-20 8-1-63
BRC-2011 (1)	3-28-62	Mod. of license to change remote control point to WGBI Transmitter location, near top of Bald Mountain, near Scranton, Pennsylvania.			
	7-24-63	COMMISSION DEFERRED ACTION ON RENEWAL PENDING FURTHER CONSIDERATION.			
BR-373	1-31-64	910kc	500w, 1kw	U	1-31 8-1-66
BR-373	7-24-66	Renewal of license			8-1 8-1-69

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Station location

Name of licensee See Card #1

Transmitter location

Main studio location

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Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From To
Ltr.	2-29-68	To change remote control point to 1000 Wyoming Avenue, Scranton, Pa.			
BR-373(L) Tele.	7-24-69 12-16-69	Renewal of Lic. Trans: Dates EC-15			
BP-18,736	3-31-70	910kc	500w 1kw U		11-30-70
		CP to install new trans. RCA,BTA-1L for aux. use			
BL-12,685 (L)	8-13-70	Lic.(BP-18,736) for new Transmitter			Auxiliary 8-1-72
EBSA	5-25-72				
BR-373(s)	7-31-72	Renewal of license (Main & Aux.)			
BR-373(L)	7-23-75	RENEWAL (MAIN & AUX.)			8-1-78
BZ-9037(1)	3-5-76	Direct Measurement(Main & Aux.)			
BR-373	9-26-78	(L) REN.OF LIC.(MAIN & AUX.)			
					8-1-81

No. 1.

STATION APPLICATION RECORD

APPLICANT: Scranton Broadcasters, Inc.

CALL LETTERS: WGBI

ADDRESS: 318 Adams Avenue, Scranton, Pa.

Present Assignment: 1250 Kc. 50 watts

Requested: 1250 Kc. 500 watts

- FILE NO. 2-S-B-373 DATED 3-25-27
- 1) T.P. 4-22-27, for 1250 Kc. 50 w.
 - 2) Lic. 6-1-27 for 1300 Kc. 100 w.
+ WQAN. Period 6-1-27 to 7-31-27.
 - 3) Lic. 6-15-27, for 1300 Kc. 250 w.
+ WQAN. Period 6-15-27 to 8-15-27.

APPLICANT: Scranton Broadcasters, Inc.

CALL LETTERS: WGBI

ADDRESS: 318 Adams Avenue, Scranton, Pa.

Present Assignment: 1300 Kc. 250 watts, + WQAN

Requested: Incr. of power to 250 watts, 1250 Kc.

FILE NO. 2-P-B- DATED 5-13-27

ACTION: C.P. not necessary -
License issued 6-15-27 for
250 watts, 1300 Kc.

APPLICANT: Scranton Broadcasters, Inc.

CALL LETTERS: WGBI

ADDRESS: 318 Adams Avenue, Scranton, Pa.

Present Assignment: 1300 Kc. 250 watts, + WQAN

Requested: Renewal

FILE NO: 2-R-B-373 DATED 7-29-27

8-8-27, letter of extension.

ACTION: Period 8-15-27 to 10-15-27.

No. 2.

STATION APPLICATION RECORD

APPLICANT: Scranton Broadcasters, Inc.

CALL LETTERS: WGBI

ADDRESS: 318 Adams Ave., Scranton, Pa.

FILE NO: 2-R-B-373 DATED: 10-3-27

Present
Assignment: 1300 Kc. 250 watts, † WQAN

10-24-27, letter of extension.
ACTION: Period 11-1-27 to 1-1-28.

Requested: Renewal

APPLICANT: Scranton Broadcasters, Inc.

CALL LETTERS: WGBI

ADDRESS: 318 Adams Ave., Scranton, Pa.

FILE NO: 2-R-B-373 DATED: 1-12-28

Present
Assignment: 1300 Kc. 250 watts, † WQAN

ACTION: Lic. 10-31-28 for 880 Kc.
250 watts, † WQAN. Period 11-11-28
to 1-31-29.

Requested: Renewal

APPLICANT: Scranton Broadcasters, Inc.

CALL LETTERS: WGBI

ADDRESS: 318 Adams Ave., Scranton, Pa.

FILE NO: 2-R-B-373 DATED: 12-14-28

Present
Assignment: 880 Kc. 250 watts, † WQAN

Lic. 1-12-29 for 880 Kc. 250 w.
ACTION: † WQAN. Period 1-31-29 to
4-30-29.

Requested: Renewal

No. 3.

STATION APPLICATION RECORD

APPLICANT: Scranton Broadcasters, Inc.

CALL LETTERS: WGBI

ADDRESS: 318 Adams Avenue, Scranton, Pa.

FILE NO: 2-R-B-373 DATED: 3-26-29

Present Assignment: 880 Kc. 250 watts, † WQAN

ACTION: Lic.-4-25-29, for 880 Kc.
250 watts, † WQAN. Period 4-30-29
to 7-31-29.

Requested: Renewal

APPLICANT: Scranton Broadcasters, Inc.

CALL LETTERS: WGBI

ADDRESS: Drinka Turnpike, East Mountain, Scranton, Pa.
New Studio Loc. Select Bldg., 120 N. Washington Ave., Scranton

FILE NO: 2-P-B-601 DATED: 3-26-29

Present Assignment: 880 Kc. 250 watts, † WQAN

ACTION: C.P. issued 4-12-29 for
Removal Only. Completion Date
6-5-29. Min. 4-11-29

Requested: To Chg. Loc. of Transmitter & Studio

APPLICANT: Scranton Broadcasters, Inc.

CALL LETTERS: WGBI

ADDRESS: Drinka Turnpike, East Mountain (Nr.) Scranton, Pa.
(Under C.P.)

FILE NO: 2-M-B-334 DATED: 5-29-29

Present Assignment: 880 Kc. 250 w., † WQAN

Lic. Modif. 6-20-29, for 880 Kc.
ACTION: 250 watts, † WQAN. Period
6-11 to 7-31-27. Chg. of Loc. of
Transmitter & St. Min. 6-10-28

Requested: Modif. to Cover C.P.

STATION APPLICATION RECORD

No. 4.

APPLICANT: Scranton Broadcasters, Inc.

CALL LETTERS: WGBI

ADDRESS: Drinka Turnpike, East Mountain(Nr,)Scranton, Pa. FILE NO: 2-R-B-373 DATED: 6-24-29

Present
Assignment: 880 Kc. 250 w. † WQANACTION: G.O. #69, period 7-31-29
to 10-31-29.

Requested: Renewal

APPLICANT: Scranton Broadcasters, Inc.
Drinker Turnpike, East Mountain

CALL LETTERS: WGBI

ADDRESS: near Scranton, Pa.

FILE NO: 2-R-B-373 DATED: 9-25-29

Present
Assignment: 880 Kc. 250 w. † WQANACTION: Lic. 10-28-29, for 880 Kc.
250 w., † WQAN. Period 10-31-28
to 1-31-30.

Requested: Renewal

APPLICANT: Scranton Broadcasters, Inc.
(Drinker Turnpike)

CALL LETTERS: WGBI

ADDRESS: East Mountain near Scranton, Pa.

FILE NO: 2-R-B-373 DATED: 1-2-30

Present
Assignment: 880 Kc. 250 w. † WQANACTION: Lic. 1-15-30 for 880 Kc.
250 w., † WQAN. Period 1-31-30
to 4-30-30

Requested: Renewal

No. 5.

STATION APPLICATION RECORD

APPLICANT: Scranton Broadcasters, Inc.
Drinker Turnpike, East Mountain

CALL LETTERS: WGBI

ADDRESS: Near, Scranton, Pa.

FILE NO: 2-R-B-373 DATED: 3-22-30

Present
Assignment: 880 Kc. 250 watts, + WQAN

ACTION: Lic. 4-5-30 for 880 Kc.
250 watts, + WQAN. Period
4-30-30 to 7-31-30.

Requested: Renewal

APPLICANT: Same

CALL LETTERS: WGBI

ADDRESS: Same

FILE NO: 2-R-B-273 DATED: 6-17-30

Present
Assignment: 880 Kc. 250 W. + WQAN

Renewal License 7-7-30
ACTION: Per: 7-31 to 10-31-30

Requested: Renewal

APPLICANT:

CALL LETTERS:

ADDRESS:

FILE NO: DATED:

Present

Assignment:

ACTION:

Requested:

STATION APPLICATION RECORD

APPLICANT: _____ CALL LETTERS: _____

ADDRESS: _____ FILE NO: _____ DATED: _____

Present
Assignment: _____ ACTION: _____

Requested: _____

APPLICANT: _____ CALL LETTERS: _____

ADDRESS: _____ FILE NO: _____ DATED: _____

Present
Assignment: _____ ACTION: _____

Requested: _____

APPLICANT: _____ CALL LETTERS: _____

ADDRESS: _____ FILE NO: _____ DATED: _____

Present
Assignment: _____ ACTION: _____

Requested: _____

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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Letters W G B IName SCRANTON BROADCASTERS, INC.

File No.	Date d Received	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
ML-B- 2- ML-B- 673	9/18/30	Increase in power from 250 watts to 500 watts.	Denied	5-29-31
2-R-B-373	9/23/30	Renewal of License	Granted	10-21-30
2-R-B-373	12-29-30	Renewal of License	C.O. 103 Granted	1-20-31 4-24-31
2-R-B-373	6-16-31	Renewal of license	Granted	8-7-31
2-R-B-373	12-22-31	Renewal of license	Granted	2-9-32
2-R-B-373 resubmitted	6-25-32 7-14-32	Renewal of license	Returned (P-S Agreement) Granted	7-8-32 8-12-32 8-12-32
2-R-B-373 Resubmitted	12-29-32	Renewal of license (# 5 & 9a not ans.)	Returned Granted	1-24-33 2-10-33
2-P-B-2821	2-25-33	Change tubes & make changes in equip.	Granted	3-17-33

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File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
2-L-B-969	5-12-33	Covers P-B-2821 changes in tubes & equip.	Granted	6-2-33
2-R-B-373	6-28-33	Renewal of license	Granted	8-4-33
2-R-B-373	12-27-33	Renewal of license	Granted	2-6-34
2-SA-B-92	1-9-34	Special Experimental Authorization to operate 250 W with additional 250 W on exp. basis; share time with WQAN; until 3-1-34.	Granted	1-16-34
2-P-B-3116	2-8-34	Construction permit to increase from 250 watts to 1 kw, (Shares with WQAN) and make changes in equipment.	Dismissed at request of applicant	ORDER OF 4-17-34
2-SA-B-108	2-12-34	Extension of Spec. Exp. Author. to operate with 500w on exp. basis. (Shares with WQAN)	Granted	2-27-34
2-R-B-373	6-30-34	Renewal of license	Granted	8-14-34

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Letters WGBIName SCRANTON BROADCASTERS, INCORPORATED

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
B2-3A-23	8-13-34	FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION Extension of special experimental authorization to operate with an additional 250 watts power for period 9-1-34 to 3-1-35	Granted	8-28-34
B2-P-110	9-13-34	Construction permit to move transmitter from East Mainline (Drinker Turnpike) to approx. 1800 ft. N. W. of Scranton City, Luzerne Co., Pennsylvania.	Returned request of applicant.	12-3-34
Amended	11-21-34	Amended to omit request to move trans. (Remain Drinker Turnpike, Scranton, Pa.) Install new equip, increase power from 250w to 1 KW day and night.		

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Letters W G B IName SCRANTON BROADCASTERS, INCORPORATED

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
B2-R-264	11-21-34	C.P. to install new equipment and increase power from 250w to 1kw . AMENDED: to request 500 watts day & night instead of 1kw day & night. RE: Equip. changes.	Granted	11-12-35
Amended	4-25-35			
Amended	10-7-35			
B2-R-373	12-28-34	Renewal of license	Granted	2-12-35
B2-SA-96	2-8-35	Extension of Special experimental authorization to operate with an additional 250w power for period 3-1-35 to 9-1-35.	Granted	Min. 2-26-35
B2-R-373	6-28-35	Renewal of license	Granted	8-13-35

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Letters WGBIName SCRANTON BROADCASTERS, INC.

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
B2-SA-149	6-28-35	Extension of S.A. to operate with additional 250 watts power for period from 7-1-35 to 3-1-36.	Granted	8-13-35
B2-R-373 2	12-28-35	Renewal of License	Granted	2-8-36
B2-SA-189	1-13-36	Extension of special experimental authorization to operate with 250 watts additional power, from 3-1-36 to 9-1-36.	Granted	2-21-36
B2-L-341	5-14-36	License to cover C.P. (B2-P-264) for new equip. & increase in power.	Granted	6-12-36
B2-ML-314	5-15-36	Mod. of license to increase power from 500w to 500w-1kw-LS.	Ex. Report 1-342 GRANTED Min. 4-27-37 Eff. 5-25-37	

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APPLICATION RECORD—BROADCASTING

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FILE No.	DATED	APPLICATION FOR—	ACTION	
			NATURE	DATE
B2-R-373	6-25-36	Renewal of license	Granted	C.A. 8-15-36
B2-R-373	12-24-36	Renewal of license	Granted	2-16-37
B2-L-586	4-6-37	License to use the present transmitter of WQAN as WGBI's auxiliary transmitter. Contingent upon the granting of the application for modification of license to use WGBI's transmitter as WQAN's main transmitter	Granted	5-18-37
B2-R-373	6-28-37	Renewal of license	Granted	C.A. 8-27-37
"	"	" " " Aux	"	"
B2-M-490	9-8-37.	Mod. of license to increase night power from 500w to 1kw.	Ex. Rept. 1-596 Doc. 4869 DENIED Min. 7-19-38 Effective 7-29-38	

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			Nature	Date
B2-R-373	12-10-37	Renewal of license	Granted	CA 2-15-38
"	"	" " " " Aux. Trans.	"	" "
			Min	3-1-38
B2-R-373	6-27-38	Renewal of license	Granted	8-10-38
"	"	" " " " Aux. Trans.	"	"
B2-R-373	12-24-38	Renewal of license	Granted	2-13-39
"	"	" " " " Aux. Trans.	"	"
B2-R-373	6-24-39	Renewal of license	Granted	8-8-39
"	"	" " " " Aux. Trans.	"	"
B2-F-136	8-31-39	Authority to install automatic frequency control.	Returned	9-7-39 ---
resubmitted 9-8-39			Just not signed by officer	
			Granted	10-2-39

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			Nature	Date
B2-R-373 "	12-22-39 "	Renewal of license " " " Aux. Trans.	Granted "	3/12/40 "
B2-R-373 "	5/24/40 "	Renewal of license " " " Aux. Trans. S-WQAN	Granted 910kc, 500w, 1kw-LS	3-24-41
B2-Z-1062 Rec'd	5-19-41 5-29-41	Authority to determine operating power by direct measurement.	Granted	7-31-41
B2-Z-1132 Rec'd	5-19-41 5-29-41	Requesting same for auxiliary trans.	Granted	7-31-41

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B2-P-3405	12-6-41	C.P. to instell new transmitter, D.A. for night use, increase in power from 500w, 1kw-LS to 5 kw. Move transmitter from East Mountain (Drinker Turnpike) Scranton, Pa., to Near the end of Corey St., which terminates in 700 block, Lackewanna Twp., Penna.	4-21-42	dismissed with- out prejudice & retired to closed files (Request attorney)
Received	12-9-41			
Filed	12-11-41			
B2-P-373	1-23-42	Renewal of license	Granted	4-21-42
"	"	335's filed		
"	"	Aux.		
Amend. sub.	5-4-42	Let.-requesting Sec.-18, -2-13-42.		

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File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
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BTC-638	4-23-48	Involuntary Transfer of Control of licensee corporation from Frank Megargee, Deceased to M.E.Megargee, Executrix of the Estate of Frank Megargee, Deceased. John P. Carr, Atty.	GRANTED	6-4-48
Rec'd	4-29-48		EFF:	6-16-48
Filed	4-29-48			
BP-7407	10-15-49	Construction Permit to change type of transmitter (RCA BTA-1L) and change transmitter location from: East Mountain (Drinker Turnpike) Scranton, Pennsylvania TO: Davis and McCarthy Streets, Scranton, Pennsylvania (Thomas W. Wilson, Atty. John C. McNary, Engr.)	GRANTED	2-16-50
Rec'd	11-3-49			
Filed	11-3-49			
AMENDED	1-5-50	AMENDED to make changes in ground system		
Recd.	1-10-50			
filed	1-10-50			

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File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
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BNL-1383	11-22-49	Modification of license to change hours of operation from Sharing time with WQAN to unlimited hours of operation. (Contingent on grant of EP-7098) John P. Carr, Atty.	GRANTED	3-30-50
Rec'd	11-25-49		subj. to cond. that lic.	
Filed	11-25-49		will not commence U operation until WQAN ceases operation on 910 kc, nor be licensed to operate U time on its auth. frequency until WQAN is lic. to operate on 630kc.	
			Ltr. 3-31-50	
			ML issued	
			Effective 5-5-50	

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BR-373 " Rec'd	2-15-50 " 2-23-50	Renewal of license " " AUX. Filed by John P. Carr atty.	GRANTED Auxiliary not issued- transmitted dismantled See ltr. dated 5-15-50.	4-21-50
BL-4171 Rec'd Filed	8-23-50 8-25-50 8-25-50	License to cover construction permit (BP-7407, which authorized change in type of transmitter, change transmitter location and make changes in ground system. John P. Carr, Atty. James C. McNary, Engr.	GRANTED	9-26-50
BR-373 Rec'd Filed	1-15-53 2-2-53 2-2-53	Renewal of license John P. Carr, Atty.	GRANTED	4-8-53

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SCRANTON BROADCASTER, INCORPORATED

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BR-373 Rec'd Filed	4-20-54 4-23-54 4-23-54	Renewal of License Filed by John P. Carr, Atty.	GRANTED	7-28-54
ERC-653 Rec'd Resub. Rec'd & Filed	1-17-55 1-25-55 1-17-55 2-7-57	Modification of license to operate transmitter by remote control from 1000 Wyoming Avenue Scranton, Pennsylvania Alfred C. Cordon, Jr., Atty.	Ret: 1-27-55, per atty (wrong studio location) GRANTED	2-8-55 2-8-55
BAL-2426 Rec'd Filed	8-1-56 8-23-56 8-23-56	Voluntary assignment of license to W G B I Radio, Inc. John B. Jacob, Atty.	GRANTED EFF:	10-15-56 11-28-56
BR-373 Rec'd Filed	4-27-57 5-3-57 5-3-57	Renewal of license Alfred C. Cordon Jr Atty	GRANTED	7-11-57
BR-373 R.&F.	4-29-60 5-3-60	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Attys. Dow, Lohnes & Albertson (Earl Stanley)	GRANTED	9-20-60

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SCRANTON, PENNSYLVANIA

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BRC-2011 Rec'd Filed	3-16-62 3-19-62 3-19-62	Modification of license to change remote control point <u>to</u> WGBI Transmitter location, near top of Bald Mountain, near Scranton, Pennsylvania. Earl R. Stanley, Atty.	GRANTED	3-28-62
BR-373 R & F	4-15-63 5-1-63	Renewal of License Atty. Earl R. Stanley	GRANTED	1-31-64
BR-373 R & F	4-15-66 5-4-66	Renewal of license Atty- Dow, Lohnes & Albertson	GRANTED	7-29-66
BR-373 R & F #511940 \$75. PRESS	5-1-69 5-5-69 5-5-69	Renewal of license Atty - Dow, Lohnes & Albertson(Charles J. Robertson)	GRANTED	7-24-69

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Scranton, Pennsylvania

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
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BP-18,736 R & F #586176 \$30	3-16-70 3-18-70 3-18-70 MAR 27 1970	CP to install a new transmitter RCA, BTA-1L for auxiliary use on 500w, 1kw U. Atty: Daniel W. Toohey (Dow, Lohnes and Albertson)	GRANTED	3-31-70
BL-12,685 R & F #607807 \$30. PTA PRESS	5-29-70 6-10-70 6-10-70 6-18-70 AUG 4 1970	Lic. (BP-18,736) for new Auxiliary Trans. Atty: Daniel W. Toohey (Dow, Lohnes & Albertson)	GRANTED	8-13-70
BR-373 R & F P.N. PRESS MAY 19 1972	4-29-72 5-3-72 5-3-72	Renewal of License (Main & Auxiliary) Atty: Daniel W. Toohey	GRANTED	7-31-72
BR-373 R & F PN Recd. PRESS	3-20-75 3-31-75 APR 29 1975	RENEWAL OF LICENSE (MAIN & AUXILIARY) R.D. Marks, Atty. AMENDED 6-20-75 re: programming, commercial matter & EEO	GRANTED	7-23-75

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BZ-9037 R & F DM	12-8-75 12-10-75 1-30-76	Direct Measurement Atty: Richard D. Marks(Dow, Lohnes,etc.)	GRANTED	3-5-76
\$100#508143 returned 2-6-76 not necessary PRESS FEB 10 1976				
BR-373 R & F PRESS	3-25-78 4-3-78 APR 17 1978	RENEWAL OF LICENSE (MAIN & AUXILIARY) Atty. Richard D. Marks (Dow,Lohnes & Albertson)	GRANTED	9-26-78
BR810401XQ PRESS	MAY 26 1981	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Atty. Todd D. Gray	ISSUED	7-7-81

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.

