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SUBJECT: Mixed-Case Text/95 ASCII Character Set Short

Duration Watch, Warning and Advisory Product Examples, Tentatively Scheduled July-August 2016

Following the initial implementation of mixed case NWS products on or about May 11, 2016, the NWS will implement a second group of mixed-case text/95 ASCII character set products; short duration Watch, Warning, and Advisory (WWA) products. This second implementation is tentatively scheduled to occur in the July-August 2016 timeframe.

Examples of the mixed-case format WWA products are online in a compressed file (which should be readable by standard compression software):

http://www.weather.gov/om/public/mc.zip

and in a Word document:

http://www.weather.gov/om/public/mc.docx

None of the products shown were actually issued, they are shown for sample formatting purposes only.

A future Service Change Notice (SCN) announcing this implementation will be issued with at least a 30-day lead time, complete with AWIPS product identifiers and an actual effective date.

Partners and users of NWS text products should modify their systems to accommodate mixed case text and the expanded character set. This change will make text products easier to read and allow users to click on Internet links directly rather than converting them to lowercase or mixed case.

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