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SUBJECT: Mixed-Case Text and Expanded 95 ASCII Character Set Use
 in NWS National Tsunami Warning Center (NTWC) Text
 Products Effective August 16, 2016

Effective August 16, 2016, the NWS will continue its transition of text products to a mixed-case text format/expanded 95 ASCII character set. This phase of the transition will apply to products issued by the National Tsunami Warning Center (NTWC). The transition of Pacific Tsunami Warning Center (PTWC) products will occur at a later date, and a separate SCN will be issued accordingly.

The following text products will be affected:

AWIPS ID	WMO ID	Product Name
TSUWCA	WEPA41 PAAQ	Pacific Segmented Tsunami Warning/Watch/Advisory
TSUAK1	WEAK51 PAAQ	Pacific Tsunami Warning/Watch/Advisory
TSUSPN	WEAK61 PAAQ	Pacific Spanish Tsunami Warning/Watch/Advisory
TIBAK1	WEAK53 PAAQ	Pacific Tsunami Information Statement
TIBSPN	WEAK63 PAAQ	Pacific Spanish Tsunami Information Statement
TSUAT1	WEXX20 PAAQ	Atlantic Segmented Tsunami Warning/Watch/Advisory
TSUATE	WEXX30 PAAQ	Atlantic Tsunami Warning/Watch/Advisory
TSUSPN	WEXX40 PAAQ	Atlantic Spanish Tsunami

Warning/Watch/Advisory

TIBATE WEXX32 PAAQ Atlantic Tsunami Information
Statement

TIBSPN WEXX42 PAAQ Atlantic Spanish Tsunami
Information Statement

Examples of NTWC mixed case products are online:

http://ntwc.arh.noaa.gov/?page=product_list

None of the sample products shown were actually issued; these products are shown for sample formatting purposes only. If circumstances prevent the NTWC from making this change on August 16, 2016, the change to the mixed-case text format will occur on the next suitable day.

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

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