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Subject: Removal of Common Alerting Protocol parameter PIL:
Effective on or about August 24, 2021

Effective on or about August 24, 2021, the Common Alerting Protocol (CAP) messages issued by the National Weather Service will no longer carry the parameter with a valueName of PIL, as shown below:

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<parameter>  
<valueName>PIL</valueName>  
<value>NNNXXXNNN</value>  
</parameter>
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where NNN is an office AWIPS identifier, and XXX is the product category. This change is being made due to reduce the number of undocumented and non-standard CAP parameters.

NCEP will evaluate all comments to determine whether to proceed with this upgrade.

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