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SERVICE CHANGE NOTICE 10-30
NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE HEADQUARTERS WASHINGTON DC
905 AM EDT THU JUN 10 2010

TO: SUBSCRIBERS:
-FAMILY OF SERVICES
-NOAA WEATHER WIRE SERVICE
-EMERGENCY MANAGERS WEATHER INFORMATION NETWORK
OTHER NWS PARTNERS...USERS AND EMPLOYEES
USERS OF TSUNAMI PRODUCTS

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SUBJECT: CANADIAN UGC CODES IN NWS TSUNAMI /TSU/ PRODUCTS: EFFECTIVE
NOVEMBER 9 2010

EFFECTIVE TUESDAY NOVEMBER 9 2010 AT 1800 UNIVERSAL COORDINATED TIME
/UTC/...OR 1000 AM PACIFIC STANDARD TIME /PST/...THE NWS WEST COAST/ALASKA
TSUNAMI WARNING CENTER /WC/ATWC/ IN PALMER ALASKA WILL OPERATIONALLY
IMPLEMENT UNIVERSAL GEOGRAPHIC CODES /UGCS/ IN CANADA FOR SEVERAL DOMESTIC
TSUNAMI /TSU/ PRODUCTS. IF NOVEMBER 9 IS DECLARED A NATIONAL CRITICAL
WEATHER DAY OR THERE IS AN ONGOING OR POTENTIAL TSUNAMI EVENT AT THE
SCHEDULED EFFECTIVE TIME...IMPLEMENTATION WILL OCCUR ON THE NEXT WEEKDAY
NOT DECLARED A CRITICAL WEATHER DAY.

UGCS DESCRIBE THE AFFECTED GEOGRAPHIC AREA OF THE EVENT AND INCLUDES A
PRODUCT EXPIRATION TIME. UGCS ARE PROVIDED FOR UNITED STATES AND ITS
TERRITORIES. THE U.S. METHOD OF ASSIGNING UGCS WILL EXTEND TO CANADIAN
AREAS TO PROVIDE CONTINUITY OF SERVICE FOR TSUNAMI WATCH...WARNING...AND
ADVISORY PRODUCTS...AND ALLOW MESSAGES TO BE AUTOMATICALLY INGESTED INTO
THE ENVIRONMENT CANADA WEATHER OFFICE DISSEMINATION SYSTEM.

TABLE 1 BELOW DESCRIBES THE NWS TSUNAMI /TSU/ PRODUCTS THAT WILL CONTAIN
THE CANADIAN UGCS.

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TSUNAMI MESSAGE	WEPA41 PAAQ	TSUWCA	WC/ATWC
TSUNAMI MESSAGE	WEXX20 PAAQ	TSUAT1	WC/ATWC

EXAMPLES OF CANADIAN UGCS IN TSUNAMI PRODUCTS ARE ONLINE AT THE FOLLOWING
WEB SITES /USE LOWERCASE/:

WWW.WEATHER.GOV/OS/NOTIFICATIONS/RESOURCES/E_COAST.PDF AND
WWW.WEATHER.GOV/OS/NOTIFICATIONS/RESOURCES/W_COAST.PDF

THE CANADIAN UGCS ARE DERIVED FROM THE CANADIAN LOCATION CODES /CLCS/
CURRENTLY USED FOR THE CANADIAN WEATHER RADIO NETWORK.

CANADIAN TSUNAMI ZONE TO UGC CONVERSION TABLE IS ONLINE AT /USE
LOWERCASE/:

[WWW.WEATHER.GOV/OS/NOTIFICATIONS/RESOURCES/CNDN TSU](http://WWW.WEATHER.GOV/OS/NOTIFICATIONS/RESOURCES/CNDN_TSU)

PDF CUSTOMERS WHO RECEIVE THE PRODUCTS IN TABLE 1 SHOULD ADD THE ZONES AND
UGCS LISTED IN THE CANADIAN TSUNAMI ZONE TO THEIR UGC TABLE IN ORDER TO
CONTINUE PROCESSING THE PRODUCTS IN TABLE 1.

IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS...PLEASE CONTACT:

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