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Subject: US SIGMET Testing November 7-21

All three United States Meteorological Watch Offices (MWOs), (Kansas City, Anchorage and Honolulu) will perform annual SIGMET testing beginning November 7 and ending November 21. The tests serve as an important exercise and will include Volcanic Ash (VA), Tropical Cyclone (WC) and Weather phenomena (WS) SIGMETs. The validity period for each test is 10 minutes.

On November 7 at 0200 GMT the Honolulu MWO will coordinate with the Tropical Cyclone Advisory Center (TCAC) in Honolulu and issue a test Tropical Cyclone SIGMET. Look for the following SIGMET WMO ID during this test:

WCPA## PHFO

On November 14 at 0200 GMT, all three US MWOs will coordinate with the two Volcanic Ash Advisory Centers (VAACs) (Anchorage and Washington) for the Volcanic Ash SIGMETs test. Look for the following SIGMET WMO IDs during this test:

WVAK## PAWU  
WVPN## KKCI  
WVPA## PHFO

On November 21 at 0200 GMT, all three US MWOs will issue test SIGMETs for Weather phenomena (WS). Look for the following three SIGMET WMO IDs during this test:

WSAK## PAWU  
WSPN## KKCI  
WSPA## PHFO

If active SIGMETs are occurring at the proposed date and

time, the test will still continue.

If you have any questions about this change, please contact:

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