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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:

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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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