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Subject: Add Geostationary Operational Environmental
 Satellite-16 (GOES-16) Level 2 Derived Products
 to the Satellite Broadcast Network (SBN or
 NOAAPort), effective January 17, 2018

Effective on or after 1500 Coordinated Universal Time (UTC)
Wednesday, January 17, 2018, additional GOES-16 Level 2 Derived
Products will be added to the SBN (also known as NOAAPort).
These products are based on data from the GOES-16 Advanced
Baseline Imager (ABI).

On December 18, 2017, NOAA officially designated GOES-16, now
stationed at 75.2 degrees West longitude, as GOES East;
however, certain GOES-16 products, including the three products
described here, will remain under validation and testing through
early 2018. Users receiving these data through any dissemination
means assume all risk related to their use of GOES-16 data and
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implied, including (without limitation) any implied warranties
of merchantability or fitness for a particular purpose. These
products are being added to enable the testing of networks and
systems with actual GOES-16 data, and so that users will be able
to evaluate the products during this validation/test period.

It is not recommended that these preliminary products be used in
operational forecast processes during this product
validation/test period. Any downstream postings of these data
should clearly convey their preliminary, non-operational and in-
testing nature. Furthermore, this data stream may be subject to
temporary unannounced data outages and modifications during this

validation and testing period. One or more follow-on notices will provide information on the progress and conclusion of the validation period.

The derived products described below join other GOES-16 derived products already on the SBN, such as those described in Service Change Notice 17-73:

https://www.weather.gov/media/notification/pdfs/scn17-73goesr-1_2.pdf

The new GOES-16 level 2 derived products and the first 11 characters of their WMO headers are as follows:

GOES-16 Product	WMO Header
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Sea Surface Temperature	IXTM99 KNES
Volcanic Ash	IXTC99 KNES
Rain Rate / QPE*	IXTF99 KNES

*QPE: Quantitative Precipitation Estimate

The geographical coverage for these products corresponds approximately to the ABI Full Disk domain. The horizontal resolution of these products is approximately 2km.

In the WMO header, KNES signifies that NOAA/NESDIS originates the products.

Approximate hourly product counts and hourly volumes for the three new product additions are as follows:

GOES-16 Product	Hourly Count	Hourly Volume
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Sea Surface Temperature	1/hour	32 Mbytes/hour
Volcanic Ash	4/hour	139 Mbytes/hour
Rain Rate / QPE	4/hour	8 Mbytes/hour

Product counts and volumes could vary due to ABI mode changes, diurnal variations, file-compression variability, and other factors.

For the foreseeable future, the SBN's Experimental channel (PID 106) will be used to disseminate these GOES-16 Level 2 derived products; however, NWS anticipates the SBN suite of

GOES-16 products described here will evolve. SBN dissemination of some GOES-16 Level 2 derived products is likely to be discontinued after an evaluation period. Other GOES-16 derived products eventually will be moved to other SBN channels and possibly modified. GOES-S (later, GOES-17) products are also planned for addition to this channel during 2018. Future Service Change Notices will describe these changes in advance.

The file format for these products is netCDF4.

Additional information about the flow of GOES-16 products on the SBN will be posted at the following web site:

http://www.nws.noaa.gov/noaaport/html/GOES_R.shtml

Critical weather or other factors could delay the activation of these products on the SBN.

For questions pertaining to this change or upcoming plans for the addition of GOES-16 products onto NOAAPORT, please contact:

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For questions regarding the scientific or technical content of the NOAAPort-disseminated GOES-16 products, please contact:

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