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Subject: Seeking Comments on the Termination of NWSTG TUA to BUFR  
Conversion through October 16, 2019

The National Centers for Environmental Prediction (NCEP) Central Operations (NCO) is seeking public comment through October 16, 2019, on terminating the NWS Telecommunication Gateway (NWSTG) conversion of legacy Traditional Alphanumeric Code (TAC) Upper Air (TUA) products to Binary Universal Form for the Representation of meteorological data (BUFR) format over the Advanced Weather Interactive Processing System (AWIPS)/NOAAPort.

The purpose of the NWSTG TUABUFR conversion application was to support the Radiosonde Replacement System (RRS), which was creating bulletins in the TAC format and needed the NWSTG to convert the products to be compliant with the World Meteorological Organization (WMO) standards.

The RRS now produces upper air bulletins in BUFR format, thus eliminating the need for conversion.

Webpage URL: <http://www.nws.noaa.gov/datangmt/>

The WMO headings below represent the TUABUFR output over AWIPS/NOAAPort and are planned for termination:

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IUSV41-44 KWBC  
IUSV46 KWBC  
IUSV48 KWBC  
IUSV51-54 KWBC  
IUSV56 KWBC  
IUSV58 KWBC  
IUSV61-64 KWBC  
IUSV66 KWBC  
IUSV68 KWBC  
IUSV71-74 KWBC  
IUSV76 KWBC  
IUSV78 KWBC

IUSU41-44 KWBC  
IUSU46 KWBC  
IUSU48 KWBC

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IUSZ41-44 KWBC  
IUSZ46 KWBC  
IUSZ48 KWBC  
IUSZ51-54 KWBC  
IUSZ56 KWBC  
IUSZ58 KWBC  
IUSZ61-64 KWBC  
IUSZ66 KWBC  
IUSZ68 KWBC  
IUSZ71-74 KWBC  
IUSZ76 KWBC  
IUSZ78 KWBC  
IUSY41-44 KWBC  
IUSY46 KWBC  
IUSY48 KWBC

The legacy TUABUFR bulletins listed above have been replaced with the new RRS bulletin headings listed below and are currently being distributed. All users should be directed to the WMO-Headed products below:

High Resolution BUFR messages from release to 100hpa:

IUKN01-06 DD1XXX CCCC = "XXX" RRS site "CCCC"= WFO  
Example: IUKN01 KALY DD1ALY

High Resolution BUFR messages from Surface to Termination:

IUSN01-06 DD2XXX CCCC = "XXX" RRS site "CCCC"= WFO  
Example: IUSN01 KALY DD2ALY

NCEP will review all comments and decide how to proceed. A Service Change Notice will be distributed with a termination date if applicable.

For questions pertaining to the termination, please contact:

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<https://www.weather.gov/notification/archive>

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