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#### 1 SCOPE

#### 1.1 Identification

This document defines the interface connection between the TDWR Supplemental Product Generation Group (SPG) and a Class 1 User, or typically an AWIPS. SPG refers to the SPG equipment, 2830055, Pt 1 and Supplemental Product Generation Program CPCI-55, 2820086, Part 1.

#### 1.2 System Overview

#### 1.2.1 SPG

The SPG system is analogous to the RPG component of the WSR-88D system. However, the SPG receives base radar data from the FAA Terminal Doppler Weather Radar (also referred to herein as the TDWR). The TDWR SPG is used to gather weather information to be distributed to the National Weather Service (NWS), the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), the Department of Defense (DOD), and the general public. The SPG is located at the NWS Weather Forecast Office and receives base data from the TDWR RDA through a wideband communication link. It is responsible for Base Data Ingest, Product Generation, Product Storage, Hydrometeorological Processing, Product Distribution, and Base Data Distribution.

#### 1.2.2 Class 1 Users/AWIPS

The Class 1 user's systems may be located anywhere. They communicate with the SPG via LAN connection. These systems issue product requests to the SPG, receive the products from the SPG, and display the products to an operator.

#### 1.3 Document Overview

This document defines the application layer interface between the SPG and Class 1 users/AWIPS. For this interface, this document identifies applicable standards and defines messages, product format and meaning of the packet codes. This ICD is not intended to serve as a document concerning the applicable standards. That is, the reader is assumed to be generally knowledgeable of the contents, terminology, etc., of the standards. Distribution of this document is unrestricted.

This document is organized in 3 sections and four appendices:

Section 1 provides information regarding the identification, scope, purpose and organization of this document.

Section 2 contains information about documentation relevant to this ICD, including applicable, and information documents.

Section 3 provides an overview of the application interface, operating procedures and message formats.

Appendix A contains a list of abbreviations, acronyms, and selected definitions.

Appendix C contains data transmission characteristics.

Appendix D contains product data compression using BZIP2.

Appendix E contains a description of the Generic Product Format.

### 2 REFERENCE DOCUMENTS

The SPG is a very proper subset of the NEXRAD Radar Product Generator (RPG) and is developed entirely using the RPG system infrastructure, applications layer interfaces, utilities and strictly implementing the RPG Interfaces with Class 1 and Class 2 users. Therefore, since the SPG to Class 1/AWIPS Interface is identical to the RPG to Class 1 User interface, this Interface Control Document (ICD) is largely a set of references to Interface Control Document for the RPG to Class 1 User, document # 2620001K of the NEXRAD documentation suite.

### 2.1 Government Documents

## 2.1.1 Specifications

2830055, Pt 1	Prime Item Development Specification for SPG Equipment
	(B1, CI-55)
2810003	TDWR SPG System Specification
2820003B,Pt1	Computer Program Development Specification for
	Supplemental Product Generation Program (SRS, CPCI-55)
262000xx	Product Specification Interface Control Document
2620037	RPG X.25 Protocol Interface Control Document
2620041B	TCP/IP Interface Control Document
Source:	ROC Configuration Management
	1313 Halley Circle
	Norman, Oklahoma 73069

## 2.2 Non-Government Documents

## 2.2.1 Industry Standards

Reference Number	Title
IEEE 754-1985	IEEE Standard for Binary Floating-Point Arithmetic
RFC 1832	XDR: External Data Representation Standard

#### 3 APPLICATION LAYER

The SPG application layer interface provides Class 1 users or AWIPS with status messages and meteorological products.

### 3.1 SPG Message and Product Segmentation

SPG transport processing segments each application product larger than 10K bytes into 10K byte blocks of user data to be sent to the Network Layer. Therefore, the SPG application Message Header block is always required to correctly reassemble products larger than 10K bytes, regardless of the underlying network. [Note: 1K byte = 1024 bytes].

## 3.2 Operating Procedures

Once the Class 1/AWIPS link is established and logically connected, application level message exchange may proceed. These messages consist of TDWR SPG system status messages transmitted to the user, requests for weather product data transmitted from the user to the SPG, and weather product data transmitted from the SPG to the Class 1 user/AWIPS. See RPG 2620037, or RPG TCP/IP, 2620041, for information on establishing the appropriate link.

### 3.2.1 Initial Messages

### 3.2.1.1 General Status Message

Upon connection, the first Product Data Level message transmitted by the SPG to a Class 1 user/AWIPS is the General Status Message. The General Status Message describes the state of the Radar Acquisition (RDA) data flow and the SPG. The SPG General Status Message contains no useful information on the equipment status of its RDA (TDWR) as no equipment status is transmitted from the TDWR. This data informs the Class 1 user/AWIPS about operational modes, the scan strategy and equipment status of the SPG, and communications status to the TDWR. Figure 3-17 provides a graphic representation of this message. Field identifiers are described (in halfword order) along with their respective units and range in this figure. As the state of the TDWR SPG system changes over the life of the communications session, the Class 1 user/AWIPS will be kept up to date by transmission of a new General Status Message.

### 3.2.2 Requesting Weather Products

Requesting Weather Product Data over a Class 1 user/AWIPS dedicated line is accomplished by the Class 1 user/AWIPS sending a Product Request Message as defined in Figure 3-4. It consists of one Message Header Block, followed by one or more Product Request Blocks. Any available product (except Free Text Message which may not appear on a routine product list) may be requested either on a one-time or routine basis.

### 3.2.2.1 Product Distribution and Availability

A Class 1 user/AWIPS may request any valid TDWR SPG product. These products may be requested for routine generation or as a one-time product request. All products may not be available to all users due to system degradation, system load shedding, or because of a hardware or software problem.

### 3.2.2.2 TDWR SPG Message Code Definitions

Table II shows the valid message codes for the TDWR SPG system. Note that product requests have a message code equal to the product code of the product being transmitted (16 to 299).

#### 3.2.2.3 TDWR SPG Weather Product Code Definitions

Table III shows the valid product code for the TDWR SPG weather product to be transmitted to the user. Along with the product codes shown, the resolution, range, data level, and type of each product is shown.

### 3.2.2.4 Product Dependent Header Definitions

Table IIa shows the product dependent halfword definitions for the Product Request message (Figure 3-4). Table V shows the fields that are product dependent for the Product Description Block in Figure 3-6. The products are shown in alphabetical order along with the corresponding message code, content of the product dependent parameter, the halfword location, units, range and accuracy.

### 3.2.2.5 Requesting One-Time Products

One-time product requests are requested one product per request message. The SPG will transmit the product as it becomes available, based on the parameters specified by the Product Request Block portion of the Product Request Message, and consider the request satisfied.

### 3.2.2.6 Requesting Routine Products

Routine product requests are requested as a list of products. This is up to a maximum of to 31 for a Class 1 user, 50 for Class 99, and 160 for a Class 98 user. All AWIPS systems are classified as Class 98 although typically referred to as Class 1. There is no support for X.25 users, only TCP/IP via LAN connectivity. Routine product request lists have one Message Header Block with the "Number of Blocks" field set to the number-of-products-on-the-list + 1. The Message Header Block is then followed by a Product Request Block for each product on the routine product request list. The products on the routine list will then be sent automatically to the user, up to a maximum of once per volume scan, dependent upon the request parameters in the Product Request Block.

### 3.2.2.7 Request Response Message

If the SPG is unable to distribute a product to the user, or receives an invalid message, or request for an invalid product, the SPG will transmit a Request Response message as shown in Figure 3-18. This message describes the error condition, sequence number (if applicable) of the request that generated the response, and the product or message code of the message in question. All of the error conditions of this message nullify the product request for the reasons given in the message, with the exception of "Available Next Volume Scan" and "One-time Request Generation Process Faulted" errors, which inform the Class 1 user/AWIPS that the product will be sent in the next volume scan.

#### 3.2.3 Alerting

WSR-88D RPG Alerting requirements are not required for the TDWR SPG.

#### 3.2.4 External Data Message

External Data Messages are those importing meteorological, hydrometeorological, or other scientific or mathematical information into the SPG from the Class 1 user/AWIPS. In all such messages, the message code will be set to 5 in the Message Header Block (Figure 3-2), though individual messages will vary in content and format. The specific type of external data message will be indicated by the setting of the Block ID in the body of the message block that follows. The format of the message is shown in Figure 3-23.

#### 3.2.5 Bias Table Message

This message contains a table of bias adjustment factors and related information determined at the Class 1 user/AWIPS site from rain gage vs. radar-estimated rainfall amounts over various memory time spans. The information is used to perform a mean-field bias adjustment upon precipitation

accumulation products in the SPG. The Bias Table Message is indicated by a Message Code of 15. The format of the message is shown in Figure 3-25.

#### 3.2.6 Other Messages

#### 3.2.6.1 Product List Message

The Product List Message defined in Figure 3-21 lists all products commanded for generation by the SPG HCI operator. A Product List Message is requested by sending a Message Header Block (Figure 3-3) to the SPG and setting the message code to 8.

### 3.2.6.2 Radar Coded Message

The Radar Coded Message (RCM) produced at a WSR-88D RPG, is not required of a TDWR SPG.

### 3.3 Message Description

## 3.3.1 Graphic Product Message

The SPG transmits products to the Class 1 User/AWIPS by using the Graphic Product message shown in Figure 3-6. The message consists of several blocks. Not all products require all blocks; however, the blocks are always transmitted in the order shown in Figure 3-6. One Header block and one Product Description block always precede the product. Products consist of one Product Symbology block (Block ID = 1), and zero or one of each of the Graphic Alphanumeric (Block ID = 2), and Tabular Alphanumeric blocks (Block ID = 3). The number of the last two blocks in each message used is product dependent.

### 3.3.1.1 Product Description Block

The Product Description block for product data transmission is shown in Figure 3-6 (sheets 2, 6, and 7). Many field identifiers in the Product Description block are product dependent and therefore change depending upon the product being transmitted. Refer to Table V for the definitions of these fields and their corresponding products. The Products are listed by product name, in alphabetical order. As shown in Figure 3-6 (sheet 2), halfwords 55-60 contain offsets from the beginning of the message header (halfword 1) to the (-1) divider of each block indicated. If a product being transmitted does not require a block, or the data is not available, the offset to the block in question is set to zero. The first offset (halfword 55-56) is the offset to the Product Symbology block. The second offset (halfword 57-58) is the offset to the (-1) divider of the Graphic Alphanumeric block (Block ID = 2). The third offset is the offset to the Tabular Alphanumeric block (Block ID = 3). Some products, by virtue of their size, require data compression. If a product is compressed, all product data following the Product Description block are compressed. Product dependent parameters defined within the Product Description block specify the compression method and size of the uncompressed product. The length of message in the Message Header block refers to the size of the compressed product. Refer to Table V for Product Description block definitions for compressed products. Appendix D describes the data compression method.

## 3.3.1.2 Product Symbology Block

The Product Symbology block is block ID number 1 and is shown in Figure 3-6 (sheets 3 and 8). It is always numbered as 1. If it is available in a product, it will always follow the Product Description block. In general, this block contains display data packets that make up the geographic display of the product. These packets contain vectors, text and special character symbols, map data, radial data, raster data, precipitation data, vector arrow data, wind barb data, and special graphic symbols. The packet formats are defined in Figures 3-7 through 3-15c. The Symbology block may, depending upon the product, have multiple "layers" of packets. This is done in products that have both image type data, mixed with non-image type data. An example of this is a Storm Total Precipitation

product. It has precipitation displayed as an image and alphanumeric data that is defined with text packets. The layers are started with the (-1) divider. The product dependent data identified in Table VI is incorporated into the Product Symbology Block.

## 3.3.1.3 Graphic Alphanumeric Block

The Graphic Alphanumeric block is block ID number 2. It is the block in which display packets are defined to cause the storm related data to be displayed at the top of the geographic screen to amplify the corresponding graphic displayed symbology. The format of this block is shown graphically in Figure 3-6 (sheets 4 and9). The only products for which this block is formatted are the following:

Product Code	Product Name
31	User Selectable Precipitation
35-38	Composite Reflectivity
58	Storm Tracking Information
59	Hail Index
61	Tornado Vortex Signature
141	Mesocyclone Detection

The actual data within this block is a series of text packets that format the line data into 5 lines. The number of pages is data dependent. The text packet format used for the attributes is packet number 8 shown in Figure 3-8. Notice that I-start and J-start are defined as 1/4 km from the radar. The Graphic Attributes packets are not geographic, but are actual screen coordinates. Included in the text packet for each page of Attribute data is a series of vector packets to draw the grid lines. The vector packets used are shown in Figure 3-7. The product dependent data identified in Table VII is incorporated into the Graphic Alphanumeric Block.

#### 3.3.1.4 Tabular Alphanumeric Block

The Tabular Alphanumeric block for product data transmission is Block ID number 3. The format of this block is shown graphically in Figure 3-6 (sheets 5 and 10). It is always numbered 3 even though it may not be the third block in the product. The following products have a paired-alphanumeric product that is encoded as Block 3 (Figure 3-6, sheet 7). The paired-alphanumeric product has a second Header and Product Description block as shown in the figure. The products that have Block ID 3 are as follows:

Product Code	Product Name	Block 3 Message Code
48	VAD Wind Profile	100
58	Storm Tracking	101
	Information	
59	Hail Index	102
61	Tornado Vortex Signature	104
78	Surface Rainfall	107
	Accumulation (1 hour)	
79	Surface Rainfall 108	
	Accumulation (3 hours)	
80	Storm Total Rainfall	109
	Accumulation	
141	Mesocyclone Detection	141

The second header of the alphanumeric product is exactly the same as the header at the beginning of the message, except that the Message Code is as defined above. The Data portion of the alphanumeric product is ASCII text formatted into pages of 17 lines of 80-character data. Each page

is separated by the (-1) divider. Alphanumeric products containing this block have it as the last block of the product message. The product dependent data identified in Table VIII is incorporated into the Tabular Alphanumeric Block.

## 3.3.2 Stand-Alone Tabular Alphanumeric Product Message

Figure 3-16 defines the Stand-Alone Tabular Alphanumeric Product Message. This message is used for products that are completely alphanumeric, and are not paired as described in subsection 3.2.1.4. These products do not contain a symbology block. The Stand-Alone Tabular Alphanumeric Products are: Storm Structure (product 62), Free Text Message (product 75) and Supplemental Precipitation Data (product 82). The format of the Product Description block is identical to that for the Graphic Product Message, except the first offset is to the (-1) divider shown in Figure 3-16. The product dependent data identified in Table IX is incorporated into the Stand-Alone Tabular Alphanumeric Product Message.

## 3.3.3 Coordinate System

Three coordinate systems are supported for the expression of weather information:

- Geographic Cartesian
- Polar
- Screen Cartesian

A Geographic Cartesian coordinate system with origin at the radar and positive directions of North (up), and East (right) are supported. The coordinate system has a range of  $\pm$  512 kilometers with 1/4-kilometer resolution. Specifically, I (right) and J (up) coordinates range from -2048 to +2048 with negative coordinates in two complement forms. Vectors are represented in this coordinate system. A Polar coordinate system with origin at the radar and 0-degree radial North (up) is supported. The range coordinate covers from 0 to 460 kilometers with 1/4-kilometer resolution. The azimuth coordinate covers 0 to 360 degrees with 0.1-degree resolution. This resolution is necessary to achieve 0.1-degree resolution used system wide. Positive angles are clockwise. Specifically, theta coordinates range from 0 to 360 degrees. Images are represented in the Polar coordinate system. Each point in the display is represented by a display value.

A Screen Cartesian coordinate system with origin at the upper left corner and positive directions of X to the right and Y down are supported. The X coordinate ranges from 0 to 639 pixels and the Y-coordinate ranges from 0 to 511 pixels. X can be expressed in 10 bits and Y in 9 bits. The screen coordinate system is used to identify the location of text on the screen.

	MSB	HALFWORD	LSB
MESSAGE	MESSAGI	E CODE	01
HEADER	DATE OF	MESSAGE	02
BLOCK	TIME OF	MESSAGE (MSW	7) 03
	TIME OF	MESSAGE (LSW	) 04
	LENGTH	OF MESSAGE (M	MSW) 05
	LENGTH	OF MESSAGE (L	SW) 06
	SOURCE	ID	07
	DESTINA	TION ID	08
	NUMBER	OF BLOCKS	09

HALF					PRECISION/	
WORD	FIELDNAME	TYPE	UNITS	RANGE	ACCURACY	REMARKS
01	Message Code	INT*2	N/A	0 to +211	N/A	TDWR SPG
						Message Code
						defined in Table II
02	Date of Message	INT*2	Julian	1 to 32,767	1	Modified Julian
			Date			Date at time of
						transmission
						(number of days
						since 1 January
						1970, where 1=1
						January 1970). To
						obtain actual Julian
						Date, add
						2,440,586.5 to the
						modified date
03-04	Time of Message	INT*4	Seconds	0 to 86,399	1	Number of seconds
						after midnight,
						Greenwich Mean
07.00	T 1 03 F	TA TIDA's 4	27/4	10.		Time (GMT).
05-06	Length of Message	INT*4	N/A	18 to	1	Number of bytes in
				502000		message including
0.5	C ID	TATEMO	NT/A	8000 /	4	header
07	Source ID	INT*2	N/A	3000 to	1	Source (originators')
0.0	D : : ID	TATEMO	NT/A	3045	4	ID of the sender
08	Destination ID	INT*2	N/A	0 to 999	1	Destination ID
						(receivers') for
						message
00	Marada a Diada	TNIM*0	NT/A	1 +- 100	1	transmission
09	Number Blocks	INT*2	N/A	1 to 160	1	Header Block plus
						the Product
						Description Blocks
						in message

Figure 3-3. Message Header

	MSB	HALFWORD	LSB	-
		MESSAGE		
		HEADER		
		BLOCK		
		(see Figure 3-3)		
PRODUCT		(-1) DIVIDER		10
REQUEST	L	ENGTH OF BLOC	CK	11
BLOCK		PRODUCT CODE	2	12
		FLAG BITS		13
	SE	QUENCE NUMB	ER	14
	NUN	MBER OF PRODU	ICTS	15
	RF	QUEST INTERV	AL	16
	VC	LUME SCAN DA	TE	17
	VOL SCA	AN START TIME	(MSW)	18
	VOL SCA	AN START TIME	(LSW)	19
	PRC	DUCT DEPEND	ENT	20
		11		21
		"		22
		"		23
		"		24
		"		25

Figure 3-4. Product Request Message (Sheet 1)

HALFWORD	FIELDNAME	ТҮРЕ	UNITS	RANGE	PRECISION/	REMARKS
10	Block Divider	INT*2	N/A	-1	ACCURACY N/A	Value of -1 used to delineate the Header from the Product Description Block(s)
11	Length of Block	INT*2	N/A	32	1	Number of bytes in block, including block divider, in the Product Description Block
12	Product Code	INT*2	N/A	16 to 131	N/A	Internal TDWR SPG product code corresponding to a weather product in Table I
13	Flag Bits	INT*2	N/A	0,1/bit	N/A	Bit # Value Meaning 0 1 High Priority 0 0 Low Priority 1 1 Reserved (Bit 0=MSB)
14	Sequence Number	INT*2	N/A	1 to 32,767	1	Monotonically increase for tracking of request
15	Number of Products	INT*2	N/A	-1, 1 to 9	1	-1 for continuous (RPS) product transmission. 1 to 9 for one-time requests, when Volume Scan Start Time of Product (halfwords 18, 19) is = -1 (equivalent to PUP Repeat Count).  NOTE: For RPS requests, the number of products requested is determined from the Number of Blocks fields of the Message Header.
16	Request Interval	INT*2	N/A	1 to 9	1	If Volume Scan Start Time of Product is >=0 or -2, then Request Interval is 1. If Volume Scan Start Time of Product is = -1, then the range is 1 to 9 and corresponds to the interval of the number of scans to send the product, where: 1 = every volume scan 2 = every other volume scan

HALFWORD	FIELDNAME	ТҮРЕ	UNITS	RANGE	PRECISION/ ACCURACY	REMARKS
						scan
17	Volume Scan Date of Product*	INT*2	Julian Date	-2,0 to 32,767	1	Modified Julian date at beginning of volume scan
18-19	Volume Scan Start Time of Product*	INT*4	Second s	-2 to 86,399	1	Seconds after Midnight (Greenwich Mean Time)** or -1 requests current product -2 requests latest available product**
20-25	Product Dependent	INT*2	N/A	N/A	N/A	See Table II-A

Figure 3-4. Product Request Message (Sheet 2)

<sup>\*</sup>Volume scan date is only applicable for one-time product request to that have a time in the range [0-86399]. If a volume scan date and time are specified, it corresponds to the volume scan start date and time that is searched for that product.

<sup>\*\*</sup>For one-time product requests, if specifying the volume scan date and time or latest available and the product has elevation parameters then only the specific angle is allowed in the request. The feature described in Note 9 will result in a Request Response Message indicating Invalid Product Parameters.

Table II. TDWR SPG Message Code Definitions

MESSAGE		
CODE	MESSAGE TYPE	<b>FIGURE</b>
0,13	Product Request, Product Request Cancel	3-4
1	Spare	-
2	General Status	3-17
3	Request Response	3-18
4	Maximum Connection Time Disable Request	N/A
5	External Data Message	3-23
6	Alert Adaptation Parameter Message	3-20
7	Reserved by RPG	-
8	Product List	3-21
9	Reserved by RPG	-
10	Spare	-
11	Sign-on Request Message (Class 2 WAN OTR Users)	N/A
12	Spare	-
14	Spare	-
15	Bias Table Message	3-25
16 to 111	Products (See Table III for individual Product Codes)	
112 to 131	Reserved for future Products	
132-134	Products (See Table III for Individual Product Codes)	
135	Reserved for future Product	
136 to 138	Products (See Table III for Individual Product Codes)	
139-140	Reserved for future Products	
141-187	Products (See Table III for Individual Product Codes)	
188-299	Reserved for future Products	
Negative	Annotations have a negative message code equal in magnitude to	
	that of the Product being annotated	

Table IIa. Product Dependent Halfword Definitions for Product Request Message

PRODUCT NAME	MSG CODE (s)		LF ORD		CONTENT		UNITS		RANGE		CCURACY/ RECISION
Base Products	149, 180, 181, 182, 183, 185, 186, 187	•	22	•	Elevation Angle	•	Degrees	•	-1.0 to 60.0	•	.1, Note 1, 9
Composite Reflectivity, Echo Tops, Vertically Integrated Liquid, Storm Tracking Information, Hail Index, Mesocyclone (MD), Digital Mesocyclone Detection (DMD)	37, 38, 41, 57, 58, 59, 61, 141, 149	•	20	•	Mini-volume number	•	N/A	•	1 or 2	•	1
VAD	84	•	22	•	Altitude	•	K Feet	•	0 to 70	•	1
User Selectable Precipitation (Note 5)	31	•	20 21	•	End Hour Time Span	•	Hours Hours	•	-1.0 to 23, 1 to 24	•	1, Note 6 1
User Selectable Layer Composite Reflectivity	137	•	20 21	•	Bottom Altitude of Layer Top Altitude of Layer	•	K Feet K Feet	•	0 to 69 1 to 70	•	1 1, Note 8
Digital Mesocyclone Detection	149	•	30	•	Elevation Angle	•	Degree	•	-1.0 to + 45.0	•	.1, Note 1,9

Note 1. Scaled Integer.

Note 6. A value of -1 indicates that the end time will be the time of the most recent hourly update.

Note 8. Minimum layer thickness is 1 K Feet

**Note 9.** Bits 0-12 (bit 0 is LSB) of halfword represents scaled elevation angle. For elevation angles > 0, the elevation angle is denoted degrees\*10. For elevation angles > 0, the angle is denoted 3600 + degrees\*10.

Bits 13-15 have special meaning. If bits 13-15 are not set, bits 0-12 denote elevation angle as described above. Bit 15 is reserved for future use

and should never be set. If bit 14 is set (bits 15 and 13 not set) and bits 0-12 not set, then all elevation angles of the volume coverage pattern are requested. If bit 14 is set (bits 15 and 13 not set), bits 0-12 may be used to denote elevation angle as described above. In this case, all elevation angles of the volume coverage pattern matching the specified elevation angle are requested. If bit 13 is set (bits 15 and 14 not set), then all elevation angles at or below the angle specified by bits 0-12 are requested. If bit 13 and 14 are set (bit 15 is not set), then 0-12 specifies an elevation cut number. The lowest numbers of cuts (specified by the cut number) are requested.

If the elevation parameter specifies multiple requests, each request counts against the maximum product count specified for the requestor. This check is only done when the request is first received at the SPG.

Table III. Message Codes for Products

CODE	NTR	PRODUCT NAME	RESOLUTION	RANGE	DATA LEVEL	MESSAGE FORMAT
186	1	Base Reflectivity	.16 x 1 Nmi x Deg	225	256	Radial Image
187	1	Base Reflectivity	.16 x 1 Nmi x Deg	225	16	Radial Image
180	1	Base Reflectivity	.08 x 1 Nmi x Deg	48	256	Radial Image
181	1	Base Reflectivity	.08 x 1 Nmi x Deg	48	16	Radial Image
182	2	Base Velocity	.08 x 1 Nmi x Deg	48	256	Radial Image
183	2	Base Velocity	.08 x 1 Nmi x Deg	48	16	Radial Image
185	3	Base Spectrum Width	.08 x 1 Nmi x Deg	48	8	Radial Image
16-30		Reserved by WSR-88D				
31	32	User Selectable Storm Total	1.1 x 1 Nmi x Deg	124	16	Radial
		Precipitation				Image/Geographic Alpha
32	33	Digital Hybrid Scan Reflectivity	.54 x 1 Nmi x Deg	124	256	Radial Image
33	33	Hybrid Scan Reflectivity	.54 x 1 Nmi x Deg	124	16	Radial Image
34		Reserved by WSR-88D				
35	6	Composite Reflectivity	.54 x .54 Nmi x Nmi	124(note2)	8	Raster Image/Non- geographic Alpha
36	6	Composite Reflectivity	2.2 x 2.2 Nmi x Nmi	248(note2)	8	Raster Image/Non- geographic Alpha
37	6	Composite Reflectivity	.54 x .54 Nmi x Nmi	124(note2)	16	Raster Image/Non- geographic Alpha
38	6	Composite Reflectivity	2.2 x 2.2 Nmi x Nmi	248(note2)	16	Raster Image/Non- geographic Alpha
39		Spare				
40		Spare				
41	8	Echo Tops	2.2 x 2.2 Nmi x Nmi	124(note2)	16	Raster Image
42		Spare		,		
43		Reserved by WSR-88D				
44		Reserved by WSR-88D				
45		Reserved by WSR-88D				
46		Reserved by WSR-88D				
47		Reserved by WSR-88D				
48	12	VAD Wind Profile	5 Knots	N/A	5	Non-geographic Alphanumeric

CODE	NTR	PRODUCT NAME	RESOLUTION	RANGE	DATA LEVEL	MESSAGE FORMAT
49		Spare				
50		Reserved by WSR-88D				
51		Reserved by WSR-88D				
52		Spare				
<b>5</b> 3		Spare				
54			Reserved			
55		Reserved by WSR-88D				
56		Reserved by WSR-88D				
57	17	Vertically Integrated Liquid	2.2 x 2.2 Nmi x Nmi	124(note2)	16	Raster Image
58	18	Storm Tracking Information	N/A	48	N/A	Geographic and Non- geographic Alpha
59	19	Hail Index	N/A	48	N/A	Geographic and Non- geographic Alpha
60		Reserved by WSR-88D				
61	21	Tornado Vortex Signature	N/A	48	N/A	Geographic and Non- geographic Alphanumeric
62	22	Storm Structure	N/A	48	N/A	Alphanumeric
63		Reserved by WSR-88D				
34		Reserved by WSR-88D				
35		Reserved by WSR-88D				
36		Reserved by WSR-88D				
37		Reserved by WSR-88D				
38		Spare				
39		Spare				
70		Spare				
71		Spare				
72		Spare				
73		Reserved by WSR-88D				
74		Reserved by WSR-88D				
75	27	Free Text Message	N/A	N/A	N/A	Alphanumeric

CODE	NTR	PRODUCT NAME	RESOLUTION	RANGE	DATA LEVEL	MESSAGE FORMAT
76			Reserved for internal PUP use -			
78	28	Surface Rainfall Accum. (1 hr)	1.1 x 1 Nmi x Deg	124	16	Radial Image
79	28	Surface Rainfall Accum. (3 hr)	1.1 x 1 Nmi x Deg	124	16	Radial Image
80	29	Storm Total Rainfall Accumulation	1.1 x 1 Nmi x Deg	124	16	Radial Image
81	30	Hourly Digital Precipitation Array	1/40 LFM	124	256/8	Raster Image / Alphanumeric
82	31	Supplemental Precipitation Data	N/A	N/A	N/A	Alphanumeric
83		Spare				
84		Reserved by WSR-88D				
85		Reserved by WSR-88D				
86		Reserved by WSR-88D				
87		Reserved by WSR-88D				
88		Spare				
89		Reserved by WSR-88D				
90		Reserved by WSR-88D				
91-92		Reserved for internal PUP and RPG Use				
93		Reserved by WSR-88D				
94		Reserved by WSR-88D				
95		Reserved by WSR-88D				
96		Reserved by WSR-88D				
97		Reserved by WSR-88D				
98		Reserved by WSR-88D				
99		Reserved by WSR-88D				
100		Site Adaptable parameters for VAD Wind Profile (Product 48)				
101		Storm Track Alphanumeric Block				
102		Hail Index Alphanumeric Block				
103		Reserved by WSR-88D				
104		TVS Alphanumeric Block				

CODE	NTR	PRODUCT NAME	RESOLUTION	RANGE	DATA LEVEL	MESSAGE FORMAT
105		Reserved by WSR-88D				
106		Spare				
107		Surface Rainfall (1 hr)				
		Alphanumeric Block				
108		Surface Rainfall (3 hr)				
		Alphanumeric Block				
109		Storm Total Accumulation				
		Alphanumeric Block				
110		Reserved by WSR-88D				
111		Reserved by WSR-88D				
112-131		Reserved for Future Products				
132		Reserved by WSR-88D				
133		Reserved by WSR-88D				
134		Reserved by WSR-88D				
135		Reserved by WSR-88D				
136		Reserved by WSR-88D				
137	40	User	0.54 Nmi x1Deg	48	16	Radial
		Selectable				image
		Layer				
		Composite				
		Reflectivity				
138	29	Digital Storm Total	1.1Nmi x 1Deg	124	256	Radial Image
		Precipitation				
139		Reserved by WSR-88D				
140		Reserved by WSR-88D				
141	20	Mesocyclone Detection	N/A	48	N/A	Geographic and Non- geographic Alpha
143		Reserved by WSR-88D				
144		Reserved by WSR-88D				
145		Reserved by WSR-88D				
146		Reserved by WSR-88D				
147		Reserved by WSR-88D				
149	20	Digital Mesocyclone Detection	N/A	48	N/A	Generic Data Format
150		Reserved by WSR-88D				

CODE	NTR	PRODUCT NAME	RESOLUTION	RANGE	DATA LEVEL	MESSAGE FORMAT
151		Reserved by WSR-88D				
152		Archive III Status Product				Generic Data Format
153-160		Reserved for Future Products				
161-170		Reserved for Future Products				
171-179		Reserved for Future Products				
184		Reserved for Future Products				
188-200		Reserved for Future Products				
201-210		Reserved for Future Products				
211-220		Reserved for Future Products				
221-230		Reserved for Future Products				
231-240		Reserved for Future Products				
241-250		Reserved for Future Products				
251-260		Reserved for Future Products				
261-270		Reserved for Future Products				
271-280		Reserved for Future Products				
281-290		Reserved for Future Products				
291-296		Reserved for Internal RPG Use.				
297-299		Reserved for Internal RPG use				

Note: For all message codes for products: Units is N/A, Range is 0 to value shown and Accuracy/Precision is 1.1

Note2: TDWR SPG raster image products which share product codes with NEXRAD, are formatted to the same maximum range as WSR-88D products. However, data bins beyond 48nmi range will never contain data values.

## MSB HALFWORD LSB

MESSAGE HEADER BLOCK (see Figure 3-3)

PRODUCT DESCRIPTION BLOCK (1) (see Sheet 2, 6, 7)

PRODUCT SYMBOLOGY BLOCK (1) (see Sheet 3, 8)

GRAPHIC ALPHANUMERIC BLOCK (1) (see Sheet 4, 9)

TABULAR ALPHANUMERIC BLOCK (1) (see Sheet 5, 10)

Note 1: All blocks need not be used. Any blocks that are used must remain in the order shown above. Figure 3-6. Graphic Product Message (Sheet 1)

#### MSB HALFWORD LSB

PRODUCT DESCRIPTION BLOCK

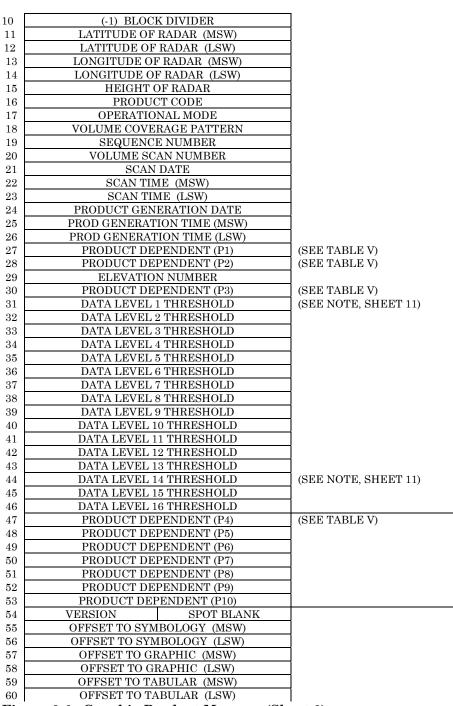


Figure 3-6. Graphic Product Message (Sheet 2)

	MSB HALFWORD LSB	]
PRODUCT	( ) D. O. G. I. D. I.	
	(-1) BLOCK DIVIDER	_
SYMBOLOGY	BLOCK ID (1)	
BLOCK	LENGTH OF BLOCK (MSW)	
	LENGTH OF BLOCK (LSW)	
	NUMBER OF LAYERS	-
	(-1) LAYER DIVIDER	
	LENGTH OF DATA LAYER (MSW)	
	LENGTH OF DATA LAYER (LSW)	CHE FIGURES 9.7
	DISPLAY	SEE FIGURES 3-7 THRU 3-14
	DATA	11110 5-14
	PACKETS	
	•	
	•	
	•	-
	(-1) LAYER DIVIDER	
	LENGTH OF DATA LAYER (MSW)	
	LENGTH OF DATA LAYER (LSW)	
		SEE FIGURES 3-7
	DISPLAY	THRU 3-14
	DATA PACKETS	
	TAUKETO	<u></u>

Figure 3-6. Graphic Product Message (Sheet 3)

	MSB	HALFWORD	LSB
GRAPHIC			
		BLOCK DIVIDER	R (-1)
ALPHANUMERIC		BLOCK ID (2)	
	LENC	GTH OF BLOCK (	(MSW)
BLOCK		,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,	(2122 11)
	LENG	GTH OF BLOCK	(LSW)
	N	UMBER OF PAGE	ES
REPEAT FOR			
		PAGE NUMBER	,
EACH PAGE			
	I	LENGTH OF PAG	E
		TEXT PACKET 1	-
		•	
		•	
		•	
		MENT DACKETA	т
		TEXT PACKET N	N

Figure 3-6. Graphic Product Message (Sheet 4)

		MSB	HALFWORD	LSB	
	TABULAR		BLOCK DIVIDE		
	ALPHANUMERIC	1 170	BLOCK ID (3)		
	BLOCK				
		LE	NGTH OF BLOCK	(LSW)	SECOND
		ME	SSAGE HEADER		HEADER
			(see Figure 3-3	S) 	AND
		DDOD	HOW DECODIOMIC	ON DI OCIZ	PRODUCT
		PROD	UCT DESCRIPTION (see sheet 2)	ON BLOCK	DESCRIPTION
					BLOCK
			BLOCK DIVIDER	2 (-1)	DATA FORMATTED
			NUMBER OF PAG	GES	AS ALPHANUMERIC
REPEAT	REPEAT	NU	MBER OF CHARA	ACTERS	PRODUCT MESSAGE
FOR	FOR				
EACH	EACH		CHARACTER DA		
PAGE	LINE				
		Е	ND OF PAGE FLA	AG (-1)	

Figure 3-6. Graphic Product Message (Sheet 5)

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					PRECISION/	
HALFWORD	FIELDNAME	TYPE	UNITS	RANGE	ACCURACY	REMARKS
10	Block Divider	INT*2	N/A	-1	N/A	Integer value of -1 used to delineate the header from the Product Description Block
11 - 12	Latitude of Radar	INT*4	Degrees	-90 to +90	0.001	North (+) or South (-) of the Equator
13 - 14	Longitude of Radar	INT*4	Degrees	-180 to +180	0.001	East (+) or West (-) of the Prime Meridian
15	Height of Radar	INT*2	Feet	-100 to +11000	1	Feet above mean sea level
16	Product Code	INT*2	N/A	16 to 299,	N/A	Internal TDWR SPG product code of weather product being transmitted (Refer to Table III)
17	Operational Mode	INT*2	N/A	0 to 2	N/A	2 = Precipitation/Severe Weather
18	Volume Coverage Pattern	INT*2	N/A	80 or 90	1	SPG volume coverage pattern for the scan strategy being used
19	Sequence Number	INT*2	N/A	-13, 0 to 32767	1	Sequence number of the request that generated the product (Refer to Figure 3-4). For products generated by an Alert Condition, sequence number = -13
20	Volume Scan Number	INT*2	N/A	1 to 80	1	Counter, recycles to one (1) every 80 volume scans
21	Scan Date (Note4)	INT*2	Julian Date	1 to 32767	1	Modified Julian Date; integer number of days since 1 Jan 1970
22 - 23	Scan Time (Note4)	INT*4	Seconds GMT	0 to 86399	1	Number of seconds after midnight, Greenwich Mean Time (GMT)
24	Generation Date of Product	INT*2	Julian Date	1 to 32767	1	Modified Julian Date as above
25 - 26	Generation Time of Product	INT*4	Seconds GMT	0 to 86399	1	Number of seconds after midnight, Greenwich Mean Time (GMT)
27 - 28		PRODUCT	T DEPENDEN	TAS PER TA	BLE V	
29	Elevation Number	INT*2	N/A	0 to 22	1	Elevation number within volume scan for elevation based product 0 for volume-based products.
30 - 53	PR0	ODUCT DEI	PENDENT AS	S PER TABLE	V	(See Note 3)
54	Version	INT*1	N/A	0 to 255	1	If the message is

HALFWORD	FIELDNAME	TYPE	UNITS	RANGE	PRECISION/ ACCURACY	REMARKS
						product data, the upper byte is the version number of the product. The original format of a product will be version 0. (Note 2)
54	Spot Blank	INT*1	N/A	0 to 1	1	If the message is product data, the lower byte is:  1 = Spot Blank ON  0 = Spot Blanking if OFF
55 - 56	Offset to Symbology	INT*4	Halfwords	0 to 400000	1	Number of halfwords from the top of message (message code field in header) to the -1 divider of each block listed. If the offset is zero (0), the block is not part of the product in question
57 - 58	Offset to Graphic	INT*4	Halfwords	0 to 400000	1	Same as above to Graphic Block (NOTE: For Product 62, this will point to the Cell Trend data)
59 - 60	Offset to Tabular	INT*4	Halfwords	0 to 400000	1	Same as above to Tabular Block

Figure 3-6. Graphic Product Message (Sheet 6)

**Note 1.** The Data Level threshold values used to define the color table of products, described in Table III, consist of up to 16 Data Levels. The exceptions to this are products 32, 81, 180, 182 and 186 that may have up to a maximum of 255 equally spaced data levels.

For product 32, 180 and 186, data level codes 0 and 1 correspond to "Below Threshold" and "Missing", respectively. Data level codes 2 through 255 denote data values starting from the minimum data value in even data increments. The threshold level fields are used to describe the 256 levels for product 32 and 94as follows:

halfword 31 contains the minimum data value in dBZ \* 10 halfword 32 contains the increment in dBZ \* 10. halfword 33 contains the number of levels (0 - 255)

For product 81, data level codes 0 will correspond to no accumulation and data level code 255 will represent data outside the coverage area. Data level codes 1 through 254 denote data values starting from the minimum data value in even data increments. The threshold level fields are used to describe the 256 levels for product 81 as follows:

halfword 31 contains the minimum data value in dBA\*10 halfword 32 contains the increment in dBA \* 1000. halfword 33 contains the number of levels (0 - 255)

For product 182, data levels codes 0 and 1 correspond to "Below Threshold" and "Range Folded", respectively. Data levels 2 through 255 denote data values starting from the minimum data value in even data increments. The threshold levels are used to describe the 256 levels for product 182 as follows:

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halfword 31 contains the minimum data value in m/s*10 halfword 32 contains the increment in m/s*10 halfword 33 contains the number of levels (0 - 255)
```

Except for Products 32, 81, 180, 182, and 186 the Data Level Threshold halfwords are coded as follows:

If bit 0 (most significant bit) is set to one (1), then the least significant byte (bits 8-- 15) is interpreted as a code for:

```
0 = "BLANK"
1 = TH
2 = ND
3 = RF
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If bits 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 or 7 of the most significant byte are set to 1, then they are interpreted as a code for:

Bit 1 - If set the data field in the least significant byte is scaled by 100, to allow two decimal places of accuracy in some of the Threshold tables.

Bit 2 - If set the data field in the least significant byte is scaled by 20, to allow two decimal places of accuracy in some of the Threshold tables.

Bit 3 - If set the data field in the least significant byte is scaled by 10, to allow for one decimal place of accuracy in some of the threshold tables.

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Bit 4 = ">"
Bit 5 = "<"
Bit 6 = "+"
Bit 7 = "-"
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If bit 0 (most significant bit) is zero (0), then the low-order byte (bits 8 - 15) is a numeric value.

Example: A data level value of (Hex) 8401, (bit sequence 1000 0100 0000 0001) is interpreted as: < TH

For product 138, data level code 0 corresponds to no accumulation and data level codes 1 through 255 denote accumulation values in units of hundredths-of-inches ( .01"), in even data increments, with data level code 1 being the first non-zero accumulation value. The threshold level fields are used to describe the 256 levels for product code 138 as follows:

```
Halfword 31 contains the minimum data value (i.e., 0) Halfword 32 contains the increment in .01" units Halfword 33 contains the number of levels (0 - 255)
```

Note 2. Products with Version Numbers

PRODUCT NAME	PRODUCT	VERSION	REMARKS
	CODE		
Composite Reflectivity	35,36,37,38	1	Version 1 was introduced in WSR-88D Build 9. The only change is to the combined attributes table. The legacy MESO column data was replaced with data from the Mesocyclone Detection Algorithm (MDA). The MDA data in the table is the strength rank of the closest (within 20 km) MDA feature to the SCIT storm cell, or the word "NONE."
STI	58	1	
Hail Index	59	1	
Tornado Vortex	61	1	
Signature			
Surface Rainfall	78	1	
Accumulation (1 hr)			
Surface Rainfall	79	1	
Accumulation (3 hr)			
Storm Total	80	1	
Rainfall			
Accumulation			
Hourly Digital	81	2	
Precipitation Array			
Supplemental	82	1	
Precipitation Data			
Digital Hybrid Scan	32	2	
Reflectivity			
Digital Storm Total	138	2	
Digital Mesocyclone	149	1	
Detection			
Mesocyclone	141	1	
Detection			

Note 3. For products which are compressed, halfword 51 (P8) denotes the compression method:

halfword 51 contains 0 if no compression is applied halfword 51 contains 1 if the data are compressed using bzip2 (refer to Appendix D for details)

And halfwords 52 (P9) and 53 (P10) denote the size of the uncompressed product, in bytes, excluding the sizes of the Message Header block and Product Description blocks:

halfword 52 contains size of uncompressed product (MSW), in bytes halfword 53 contains size of uncompressed product (LSW), in bytes

If the product size less the product header and product description block is less than 1000 bytes, halfword 51 contains 0.

**Note 4.** TDWR SPG Product date & time stamps vary within a volume scan so that repeated elevations and mini-volume scan times can be distinguished. The TDWR SPG product time stamp

rule set results in: a) The time stamp of mini-volume scan products (e.g., STI, HI, MD, TVS, CR) and aloft elevation base products are the same and generated every 3 minutes, b) The time interval between surface elevation base product scans is 1 minute; c) the time interval between products generated just once each 6 minute (e.g., DHR, OHP, STP, DPA) volume scan is 6 minutes.

Figure 3-6. Graphic Product Message (Sheet 7)

## PRODUCT SYMBOLOGY BLOCK

FIELDNAME	ТҮРЕ	UNITS	RANGE	PRECISION/ ACCURACY	REMARKS
Block Divider	INT*2	N/A	-1	N/A	Integer value of -1 used to delineate the Product Description from the Product Symbology Block
Block ID	INT*2	N/A	1	N/A	Constant value of 1 which identifies this block
Length of Block	INT*4	Bytes	1 to 400000	1	Length of block in bytes (includes preceding divider and block id)
Number of Layers	INT*2	N/A	1 to 18	1	Number of data layers contained in this block (see Note 2)
Layer Divider	INT*2	N/A	-1	N/A	Integer value of -1 used to delineate one data layer from another
Length of Data Layer	INT*4	N/A	1 to 400000	1	Length of data layer (in bytes) not including layer divider and length field
Display Data Packets	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	See Figures 3-7 through 3-14

Note 2. The various layers are different types of data formats. An example would be the combined moment product. One layer is reflectivity data in radial packets, another layer contains the vector arrow packets that define the velocity and spectrum width data. The length of the layer does not include the divider or the length word.

Figure 3-6. Graphic Product Message (Sheet 8)

GRAPHIC ALPHANUMERIC BLOCK

GRAFHIC ALFHANC			DANGE	PRECISION/	DELICA DELIC
FIELDNAME	TYPE	UNITS	RANGE	ACCURACY	REMARKS
Block Divider	INT*2	N/A	-1	N/A	Integer value of -1
					used to delineate the
					Graphic Alphanumeric
					Block
Block ID	INT*2	N/A	2	N/A	Constant value of 2
					which identifies this
					block
Length of Block	INT*4	Bytes	1 to 65535	1	Length of block in
					bytes (includes
					preceding divider and
					block id) from the
					divider to the end of
N. 1 4 D	T) Imito	27/4	1		message
Number of Pages	INT*2	N/A	1 to 48	1	Total number of pages
Page Number	INT*2	N/A	1 to 48	1	Current page number
Length of Page	INT*2	Bytes	4 to 1360	1	Number of bytes in
					Text Packet 1 through
					Text Packet N
Text Packet (N)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	The format of these
					text packets are Packet
					Code 8, shown in
					Figure 3-8b, and
					Packet Code 10, shown
					in Figure 3-8

Figure 3-6. Graphic Product Message (Sheet 9)

TABULAR ALPHANUMERIC BLOCK (see Note 3)

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FIELDNAME	TYPE	UNITS	RANGE	ACCURACY	REMARKS
Block Divider	INT*2	N/A	-1	N/A	Integer value of -1 used to delineate the
	T3 TM 1 a	27/1			Tabular Alphanumeric Block
Block ID	INT*2	N/A	3	N/A	Constant value of 3 which identifies this block
Length of Block	INT*4	Bytes	1 to 65535	1	Length of block in
					bytes from the divider
	CEC	OND MEG	CACE HEADED	DI OCIZ	to the end of message
Block Divider	INT*2	N/A	.0D001 DESCN. -1	N/A	Integer value of -1
Diock Divider	1111 2	IN/A	-1	IV/A	used to delineate the
					data from the Product
					Description Block
Number of Pages	INT*2	N/A	1 to 48	1	Total number of pages
Number of Characters	INT*2	N/A	0 to 80	1	Number of characters
					in a line
Character Data	CHAR	8 Bit	ASCII	N/A	Characters are ASCII
		ASCII	Character Set		when the MSB is set
					to zero. When the
					MSB is set to one, the
					remaining 7 bits
					define the special
End of Page Flag	INT*2	N/A	-1	N/A	symbol Integer value of -1 to
End of rage riag	11N 1 " Z	IN/A	-1	IN/A	delineate the end of
					page

**Note 3.** Tabular Alphanumeric Block must be the last block in a product message. Maximum lines per page = 17. Alphanumeric Products containing SPG Site Adaptable Parameters must have the Site Adaptable Parameters formatted as the last page(s) of the Product.

Figure 3-6. Graphic Product Message (Sheet 10)

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Table V. Product Dependent Halfword Definition for Product Description Block

			ent Halfword Defii			
PRODUCT NAME	MSG CODE	HWO RD#	CONTENT	UNITS	RANGE	ACCUR/PREC
Archive III Status Product	152	51	Compression Method	N/A	0 or 1	1
Archive III Status Product	152	52	Uncompressed Product Data Size (MSW)	Bytes	120 to 500000	1
Archive III Status Product	152	53	Uncompressed Product Data Size (LSW)			1
Base Reflectivity	181,187	30	Elevation Angle	Degree	-1.0 to +45.0	.1
Base Reflectivity	181,187	47	Max Reflectivity	dBZ	-32 to +95, (- 33)	1, Note 6
Base Reflectivity Data Array	180,186	30	Elevation Angle	Degree	-1.0 to +45.0	.1
Base Reflectivity Data Array	180,186	47	Max Reflectivity	dBZ	-30 to +80, (- 33)	1, Note 6
Base Reflectivity Data Array	180,186	51	Compression Method	N/A	0 or 1	1
Base Reflectivity Data Array	180,186	52	Uncompressed Product Data Size (MSW)	Bytes	120 to 188000	1
Base Reflectivity Data Array	180,186	53	Uncompressed Product Data Size (LSW)			1
Base Spectrum Width	185	30	Elevation Angle	Degree	-1.0 to +45.0	.1, Note 1
Base Spectrum Width	185	47	Max Spectrum Width	Knots	0 to 19	1
Base Velocity	183	30	Elevation Angle	Degree	-1.0 to +45.0	.1, Note 1
Base Velocity	183	47	Max Neg. Velocity	Knots	-247 to 0	1
Base Velocity	183	48	Max Pos. Velocity	Knots	0 to 245	1
Base Velocity Data Array	182	30	Elevation Angle	Degree	-1.0 to +45.0	.1, Note 1
Base Velocity Data Array	182	47	Max Neg. Velocity	Knots	-247 to 0	1
Base Velocity Data Array	182	48	Max Pos. Velocity	Knots	0 to 245	1
Base Velocity Data Array	182	51	Compression Method	N/A	0 or 1	1
Base Velocity Data Array	182	52	Uncompressed Product Data Size (MSW)	Bytes	120 to 372000	1
Base Velocity Data Array	182	53	Uncompressed Product Data Size (LSW)			1
Composite Reflectivity	35 - 38	27	Mini-Volume No.	N/A	1 or 2	1
Composite	35 - 38	47	Max Reflectivity	dBZ	-32 to +95, (-	1, Note 6

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PRODUCT NAME	MSG CODE	HWO RD#	CONTENT	UNITS	RANGE	ACCUR/PREC
Reflectivity					33)	
Composite	35 - 38	51	Cal. Constant			
Reflectivity Composite Reflectivity	35 - 38	52	(MSB) Cal Constant (LSB)	dB (Real*4)	-50.0 to +50.0, Note	N/A, Note 2
				, , ,	14 -198.0 to +198.0, Note 15	
Digital Hybrid Scan Reflect	32	47	Max Reflectivity	dBZ	-32 to +95, (- 33)	1, Note 6
Digital Hybrid Scan Reflect	32	48	Date of Scan	Julian Date	1 to 32767	1
Digital Hybrid Scan Reflect	32	49	Avg. Time of Hybrid Scan	Minutes	0 to 1439	1
Digital Hybrid Scan Reflect	32	51	Compression Method	N/A	0 or 1	1
Digital Hybrid Scan Reflect	32	52	Uncompressed Product Data Size (MSW)	Bytes	120 to 86000	1
Digital Hybrid Scan Reflect	32	53	Uncompressed Product Data Size (LSW)			1
Digital Mesocyclone Detection	149	27	Mini-Volume No.	N/A	1 or 2	1
Digital Mesocyclone Detection	149	30	Elevation Angle	Degree	-1.0 to + 45.0	.1
Digital Mesocyclone Detection	149	47	Adaptation Data setting for Minimum Reflectivity Threshold	dBZ	-25 to 35	1
Digital Mesocyclone Detection	149	51	Compression Method	N/A	0 or 1	1
Digital Mesocyclone Detection	149	52	Uncompressed Product Data Size (MSW)	Bytes	120 to 300000	1
Digital Mesocyclone Detection	149	53	Uncompressed Product Data Size (LSW)			1
Digital Storm Total Precipitation	138	27	Beg. Date of Rainfall	Julian Date	1 to 32767	1
Digital Storm Total Precipitation	138	28	Beg. Time of Rainfall	Minutes	0 to 1439	1
Digital Storm Total Precipitation	138	30	Mean-field Bias	N/A	0.0 to 99.99	.01, Note 1
Digital Storm Total Precipitation	138	47	Max Rainfall	Inches	0 to 51.00, Note 12	.01 to .20, Note 12

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PRODUCT NAME	MSG CODE	HWO RD#	CONTENT	UNITS	RANGE	ACCUR/PREC
Digital Storm Total Precipitation	138	48	End Date of Rainfall	Julian Date	1 to 32767	1
Digital Storm Total Precipitation	138	49	End Time of Rainfall	Minutes	0 to 1439	1
Digital Storm Total Precipitation	138	50	Sample Size (No. G-R Pairs)	N/A	.00 to 9999.99	.01, Note 1
Echo Tops Product	41	47	Max Echo	1000 Feet	0 to 70	1, Note 5
Echo Tops Product	41	27	Mini-Volume No.	N/A	1 or 2	1
Free Text Message	75	47	SPG ID Number	N/A	0 to 999	1
Hail Index	59	27	Mini-Volume No.	N/A	1 or 2	1
Hourly Dig.Precip Array	81	47	Max Rainfall Accum.	dBA	-6.0 to 25.625	.001, Note 1
Hourly Dig. Precip Array	81	48	Mean-field Bias	N/A	0.01 to 99.99	.01, Note 1
Hourly Dig. Precip Array	81	49	Effective No. G-R Pairs (Sample Size)	N/A	0.00 to 9999.99	.01, Note 1
Hourly Dig. Precip Array	81	50	Rainfall End Date	Julian Date	1 to 32767	1
Hourly Dig. Precip Array	81	51	Rainfall End Time	Minutes	0 to 1439	1
Hybrid Scan Reflectivity	33	47	Max Reflectivity	dBZ	-32 to 95, (- 33)	1, Note 6
Hybrid Scan Reflectivity	33	48	Date of Scan	Julian Date	1 to 32767	1
Hybrid Scan Reflectivity	33	49	Avg. Time of Scan	Minutes	0 to 1439	1
Mesocyclone Detection	141	27	Mini-Volume No.	N/A	1 or 2	1
Mesocyclone Detection	141	28	Adaptation Data setting for Overlap Display Filter	N/A	0 or 1	0 = overlap filter OFF 1 = overlap filter ON
Mesocyclone Detection	141	30	Adaptation Data setting for Minimum Display Filter Strength Rank	N/A	1 to 5	1
Mesocyclone Detection	141	47	Adaptation Data setting for Minimum Reflectivity Threshold	dBZ	-25 to 35	1
Storm Structure	62					
Storm Total Accum.	80	47	Max Rainfall	Inches	0.0 to 327.6	.1, Note 1
Storm Total Accum.	80	48	Beg. Date Rainfall	Julian Date	1 to 32767	1
Storm Total Accum.	80	49	Beg. Time Rainfall	Minutes	0 to 1439	1
Storm Total Accum.	80	50	End Date	Julian	1 to 32767	1

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PRODUCT NAME	MSG CODE	HWO RD#	CONTENT	UNITS	RANGE	ACCUR/PREC
			Rainfall	date		
Storm Total Accum.	80	51	End Time Rainfall	Minutes	0 to 1439	1
Storm Total Accum.	80	52	Mean-field Bias	N/A	0.01 to 99.99	.01, Note 1
Storm Total Accum.	80	53	Effective No. G-R Pairs (Sample Size)	N/A	0.00 to 9999.99	.01, Note 1
Storm Track	58	27	Mini-Volume No.	N/A	1 or 2	1
Storm Track	58	47	Total Number of Storms	N/A	0 to 100	1
Surface Rainfall Accum	78 & 79	47	Max Rainfall	Inches	0.0 to 189.0	.1, Note 1
Surface Rainfall Accum	78 & 79	48	Mean-field Bias	N/A	0.01 to 99.99	.01, Note 1
Surface Rainfall Accum	78 & 79	49	Effective No. G-R Pairs (Sample Size)	N/A	0.00 to 9999.99	.01, Note 1
Surface Rainfall Accum	78 & 79	50	Rainfall End Date	Julian Date	1 to 32767	1
Surface Rainfall Accum	78 & 79	51	Rainfall End Time	Minutes	0 to 1439	1
TVS	61	27	Mini-Volume No.	N/A	1 or 2	1
TVS	61	47	Total Number of TVS	N/A	-25 to 25	1, Note 5
TVS	61	48	Total Number of ETVS	N/A	-25 to 25	1, Note 5
User Selectable Layer Composite Reflectivity	137	27	Requested Bottom Altitude of Layer	K Feet	0 to 69	1
User Selectable Composite Reflectivity	137	28	Requested Top Altitude of Layer	K Feet	1 to 70	1
User Selectable Layer Composite Reflectivity	137	47	Max Reflectivity	dBZ	-32 to 95	1
User Selectable Composite Reflectivity	137	48	Actual bottom Altitude of Layer (adjusted to correct request errors).	K Feet	0 to 69	1
User Selectable Layer Composite Reflectivity Maximum	137	49	Actual top Altitude of Layer (adjusted to correct request errors).	K Feet	1 to 70	1

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PRODUCT NAME	MSG CODE	HWO RD#	CONTENT	UNITS	RANGE	ACCUR/PREC
User Selectable	31	27	End Hour	Hours	0 to 23	1
Precip.	91	21	End Hour	nours	0 to 25	
User Selectable Precip.	31	28	Time Span	Hours	1 to 24	1
User Selectable Precip.	31	30	Null Product Flag	N/A	0 to 1	1, Note 9
User Selectable Precip.	31	47	Max Rainfall	Inches	0.0 to 327.6	.1, Note 1
User Selectable Precip.	31	48	Beg. Date Rainfall	Julian Date	1 to 32767	1
User Selectable Precip.	31	49	Beg. Time Rainfall	Minutes	0 to 1439	1
User Selectable Precip.	31	50	End Date Rainfall	Julian Date	1 to 32767	1
User Selectable Precip.	31	51	End Time Rainfall	Minutes	0 to 1439	1
User Selectable Precip.	31	52	Average Mean- field Bias	N/A	0.01 to 99.99	.01, Note 1
User Selectable Precip.	31	53	Average Effective No. G-R Pairs (Sample Size)	N/A	0.00 to 9999.99	.01, Note 1
VAD Wind Profile	48	47	Max Speed (Horiz)	Knots	0 to 350	1, Note 5
VAD Wind Profile	48	48	Direct of Max Speed	Degree	0 to 359	1, Note 1 & 5
VAD Wind Profile	48	49	Alt of Max Speed	Feet/10	00.00 to 70.00	.01, Note 5
Velocity Az. Display	84	47	Wind Speed (Horiz)	Knots	0 to 350	1, Note 5
Velocity Az. Display	84	48	Wind Direct(Horiz)	Degree	0 to 359	1, Note 1 & 5
Velocity Az. Display	84	30	Wind Alt (Horiz)	1000 Feet	0 to 70	1
Velocity Az. Display	84	49	Elevation Angle	Degree	-1.0 to +45.0	.1, Note 1 & 5
Velocity Az. Display	84	50	Slant Range	Nmi	0.0 to 124.0	.1, Note 1 & 5
Velocity Az. Display	84	51	RMS Error	Knots	0 to 29	1, Note 5
Vertically Integ. Liq	57	27	Mini-Volume No.	N/A	1 or 2	1
Vertically Integ. Liq	57	47	Max VIL	Kg/Sq. meter	0 to 200	1

Note 1. Scaled Integer, precision column defines scaling.

**Note 2.** Real\*4 represents one fullword (32 bits) of real data, where the values are in IEEE-754-1985 floating point representation.

Note 5.	Msg Code	Halfword	Description
Echo Tops	41	47	Value of zero altitude indicates "No Echos
Product			Detected
VAD Wind	48	49	Altitude value of -9999 indicates ("Wind
Profile			Barbs") non-valid altitude, speed and direction
			which are displayed as blanks
Velocity Azimuth	84	47	Wind speed value of -9999 Display indicates
			non-valid speed and direction. Speed and
			direction are displayed as blanks
		50	Slant range value of -9999 indicates non-valid
			slant range and elevation angle. Values of
			slant range and elevation angle are displayed
			as blanks
		51	RMS value of -9999 indicates non-valid RMS.
			Value of RMS is displayed as blanks.
TVS	61	47	A negative value indicates that the Total
			Number of TVSs identified by the algorithm
			exceeded the Maximum number of TVSs in
			adaptation data. Those with the higher Low-
			level Delta Velocity were retained.
TVS	61	48	A negative value indicates that the Total
			Number of ETVSs identified by the algorithm
			exceeded the Maximum number of ETVSs in
			adaptation data. Those with the higher Low-
			level Delta Velocity were retained.

Note 6. Value enclosed in parentheses of range column is a code to indicate data is unavailable.

Note 9. If flag is set, the product is null i.e., rainfall data to build product was unavailable.

**Note 11.** Velocity Precision Code indicates the quantization of the base velocity data used to create this product. A value of 1 denotes 0.5 m/s and 2 denotes 1.0 m/s. Regardless of the value of this code, product 93 is formatted as if the precision is always 0.5 m/s.

**Note 12.** The value entered for the upper limit of the Digital Storm Total (DSP) Max Rainfall value is a theoretical limit; the actual upper limit has no bound, as the DSP data values are adjusted (scaled) to fit within the range (0 - 255), based upon the Max Rainfall value. The Accuracy/Precision increases according to the scaling (i.e., .01, .02, etc.) and also has no, actual upper limit.

Table VI. Product Dependent Definition for Product Symbology Block

PRODUCT	ole VI. Product I CONTENT	UNITS	RANGE	ACCURACY /	REMARKS
NAME	CONTENT	UNIIS	ITANGE	PRECISION	REMARKS
VAD WIND PROFILE	Altitude	Kft	1 to 70	1	
	Volume Scan Start Time	N/A	Hours: 00 to 23 Minutes: 00 to 59	1	
VELOCITY AZIMUTH DISPLAY	Velocity	Kts	+/-200, +/-100, +/-80, +/-60, +/- 40	1	
	Azimuth	Degrees	1 to 360	1	
	Best Fit Function in the form				
	$A_1$ + VSIN(AZ + $\delta$ ) Where: $A$ = Harmonic Coefficient	Kts	-39 to 39	1	
	Coemicient (Fourier #1) V = SQRT[CF2 <sup>2</sup> +C F3 <sup>2</sup> }	Kts	0 to +247	1	
	with CF2 and CF3 corresponding to Harmonic Coefficient (Fourier #2 & #3) & = - Horizontal Wind Direction - 90°	Degrees	0 to 359	1	
USER SELECTABLE PRECIPITATION	Status	Alphanumeric	- Product Not Generated: Unable To Read Data from Database - Product Not Generated: Illegal Times in Product Request - Product Not Generated:	N/A	Status messages will be sent only if error conditions occur

PRODUCT NAME	CONTENT	UNITS	RANGE	ACCURACY / PRECISION	REMARKS
			Insufficient Accumulation Date In Hourly Database - Hours Available for Request		

Table VII. Product Dependent Definition for Graphic Alphanumeric Block

Table	VII. Product Depe		i for Grapnic Alp		
PRODUCT NAME	CONTENT	UNITS	RANGE	ACCURACY/ PRECISION	REMARKS
COMPOSITE REFLECTIVITY	Storm Cell ID	Alphanumeric	A0 through Z0, then A1 through Z1, then A2Z9.	N/A	The sequence is recycled following Note 1
	Storm Position:				
	• Azimuth • Range	• Degrees • nmi	• 0 to 360 • 0 to 248	• 1	Note 1
	Maximum Reflectivity	dBZ	0 to 95	1	Note 1
	Height of Maximum Reflectivity	Kft	0.0 to 70.0	0.1	Note 1
	Cell-Based VIL	kg/m <sup>2</sup>	0 to 120	1	Note 1
	Storm Top	Kft	0.00 to 70.00	0.1	If the storm top was identified at the highest elevation, the value is qualified with ">", Note 1
	Forecast Movement  Storm Direction Storm Speed	Alphanumeric or Degrees Kts	New or 0 to 360 0 to 999	1 1	Newly identified storm cells are labeled "NEW".
	MDA Strength Rank	Alphanumeric	NONE, 1 to 25	1	
	TVS Feature Type	Alphanumeric	NONE, TVS or ETVS	N/A	If both a TVS and ETVS are associated with the same storm cell, then "TVS" will be displayed. Note 1
	Hail				If the

PRODUCT NAME	CONTENT	UNITS	RANGE	ACCURACY/ PRECISION	REMARKS
	Characteristics     Probability of Hail (POH)     Probability of Severe Hail (POSH)     Maximum Expected Hail Size	Alphanumeric or Percent Percent Inches	UNKNOWN or 0 to 100 0 to 100 0.00 and 0.50 to 4.00	10 10 0.25	maximum expected hail size exceeds 4.0 inches, the hail size is labeled ">4.00".  If the Probability of Hail and the Probability of Severe Hail are greater the 0% and the maximum expected hail size is less than 0.50 inches, the hail size is labeled "<0.50".  If the Hail Characteristics cannot be determined, the Hail
ECHO TOPS	Status	Alphanumeric	No Echoes Detected	N/A	Characteristics are labeled "UNKNOWN". Note 1 This status message will be sent only if the Echo Tops Grid is all zeroes.
HAIL INDEX	Storm Cell ID	Alphanumeric	A0 through Z0, then A1 through Z1, then A2Z9	N/A	The sequence is recycled following Z9, (See Note 1)
	Storm Position	• Degrees • Nmi	• 0 to 360 • 0 to 248	1 1	Note 1  If maximum

PRODUCT NAME	CONTENT	UNITS	RANGE	ACCURACY/ PRECISION	REMARKS
	Characteristics:  • Probability of Hail (POH)	Alphanumeric or Percent	UNKNOWN or 0 to 100	10	expected hail size exceeds 4.0 inches, the hail size is labeled ">4.00".
	• Probability of Severe Hail (POSH)	Percent	0 to 100	10	If the Probability of Severe hail is greater than 0% and the maximum expected hail size is less than 0.50 inches, the hail size is labeled "<0.50".
	Maximum     Expected     Hail Size	Inches	0.00 and 0.50 to 4.00	0.25	If the Hail Characteristics cannot be determined, the Hail Characteristics are labeled "UNKNOWN" Note 1
	Hail Temperature Altitudes (MSL)				
	• 0 Degree Celsius	Kft	0.0 to 70.0	.1	Note 1
	• -20 Degree Celsius	Kft	0.0 to 70.0	.1	
	Time of last change to Hail Temperature Altitude	N/A	Hours: 00 to 23 Minutes: 00 to 59	N/A	Note 1
	Date of last change to Hail Temperature Altitudes	N/A	Months: 01 to 12 Days: 01 to 31 Years: 00 to 99	N/A	Note 1
STORM TRACKING INFORMATION	Storm Cell ID	Alphanumeric	A0 through Z0, then A1 through Z1, then A2Z9	N/A	The sequence is recycled following Z9. Note 1
	Storm Position	Degrees nmi	0 to 360 0 to 248	1 1	Note 1
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PRODUCT NAME	CONTENT	UNITS	RANGE	ACCURACY/ PRECISION	REMARKS
	Forecast Movement  Direction Speed	Alphanumeric or Degrees Kts	NEW or 0 to 360 0.0 to 999	1 0.1	Newly identified storm cells are labeled "NEW" Note 1
	Forecast Error     Error     Mean	nmi nmi	0.0 to 99.9 0.0 to 99.9	0.1 0.1	Note 1
	Maximum Reflectivity	dBZ	0 to 95	1	Note 1
	Height of Maximum Reflectivity	Kft	0.0 to 70.0	0.1	Note 1
MESOCYCLONE DETECTION	Circulation ID	N/A	0 through 999	N/A	The sequence is recycled following 999
	Associated SCIT Storm ID	N/A	A0 through Z0, then A1 through Z1, then A2Z9	N/A	Closest SCIT identified storm cell ID.
	Strength Rank	N/A	1 to 25	1	If the strength rank was computed by the Low-Top or Shallow method, an L or S will also be displayed.
	Low Level (base) Rotational Velocity	Kts	0 to 129	1	
	Position: • Azimuth • Range	• Degrees • nmi	•0 to 360 •0 to 48	1	Base 2D feature component
	Height of Maximum Rotational Velocity (ARL)	Kft	0 to 33	1	
	Maximum Rotational Velocity	Kts	0 to 129	1	
	Base Height (ARL)	Kft	0 to 33	1	If the Base is on the lowest elevation scan or below 1km,

PRODUCT NAME	CONTENT	UNITS	RANGE	ACCURACY/ PRECISION	REMARKS
					then the height is preceded by a "<" in the display.
	Depth	Kft	0 to 33	1	If the Base is on the lowest elevation scan or below 1km, then the Depth is preceded by a ">" in the display.
TORNADO VORTEX SIGNATURE (TVS)	Feature Type	Alphanumeric	TVS or ETVS	N/A	
	Storm Cell ID	Alphanumeric	A0 through Z0, then A1 through Z1. then A2Z9. "??" is displayed if the TVS feature is not associated with a storm cell.	N/A	The sequence is recycled following Z9
	TVS Feature Position: • Azimuth	• Degrees	• 0 to 359	• 1	
	• Range	• nmi	• 0 to 48	• 1	
	Average Delta Velocity	kts	0 to 494	1	
	Low-level Delta Velocity	kts	0 to 494	1	
	Maximum Delta Velocity	kts	0 to 494	1	
	Base	kft	0.0 to 70.0	0.01	If the Base is on the lowest elevation scan, then it is preceded by a "<" in the display.
	Depth	kft	0 to 70	1	If the base or top is on the lowest or highest elevation scan, then the Depth is preceded by a "<" or ">" in the display,

PRODUCT NAME	CONTENT	UNITS	RANGE	ACCURACY/ PRECISION	REMARKS
					respectively
USER SELECTABLE PRECIPITATION	Gage Bias Flag	N/A	Applied/Not Applied	N/A	
	Number of Hours in Product	N/A	1 to 24	0/1	
	End Times	Hours	00 to 23	0/1	
	Bias Estimate	N/A	0.00 to 99.99	0.01	
	Hour Included Flag	N/A	Yes or No	N/A	

Note 1: "^" displayed when the attribute(s) is (are) updated to the current detection

Table VIII. Product Dependent Definition for Tabular Alphanumeric Block

	<u> III. Product Depend</u>			<u>hanumeric B</u>	
PRODUCT NAME	CONTENT	UNITS	RANGE	ACCURACY/ PRECISION	REMARKS
VAD WIND	Site Adaptable	See Remarks	See Remarks	See	2820003 Pt1, Table
PROFILE	Parameters			Remarks	A-16 VAD
	ALT	100ft	0 to 700	1	
	U	m/s	-127.0 to	0.1	
			126.0		
	V	m/s	-127.0 to	0.1	
			126.0		
	W	cm/s	-999.9 to 9999.9	0.1	
	DIR	degrees	0 to 360	1	
	SPD	knots	0 to 999	1	
	RMS	knots	0 to 30.0	0.1	
	DIV	10/s	-99.9999 to	0.0001	
			999.9999		
	SRNG	nm	0.0 to 124.00	0.01	
	ELEV	degrees	-1.0 to 45.0	0.1	
STORM	Radar ID	N/A	0 to 999	1	
TRACKING INFORMATION					
	Volume Scan Start	N/A	Months: 1 to	N/A	
	Date		12		
			Days: 1 to 31		
			Years: 0 to		
			99		
	Volume Scan Start	N/A	Hours: 0 to	N/A	
	Time		23		
			Minutes: 0 to		
			59		
			Seconds: 0 to		
			59		
	Number of Storm Cells	N/A	0 to 100	1	
	Average Storm Cell				Only on first page
	Motion				of Alphanumeric
	• Speed	kts	0 to 99	1	Product
	Direction	degrees	0 to 360	1	
	Storm Cell ID	Alphanumeric	A0 through	N/A	The sequence is
			Z0,		recycled following
			then A1		Z9 Note 1
			through Z1,		
			then A2Z9		
	Current Position:				
	Azimuth	Degrees	0 to 360	1	Note 1
	• Range	nmi	0 to 24	1	
	Forecast				
	Movement	Alphanumeric	0 to 359	1	Note 1
	Direction	or Degrees			
	• Speed	Kts	0 to 999	1	
	Forecast Error	nmi	0.0 to 99.0	0.1	Note 1

PRODUCT NAME	CONTENT	UNITS	RANGE	ACCURACY/ PRECISION	REMARKS
	Mean Forecast Error	nmi	0.0 to 99.0	0.1	Note 1
	The Azimuth and Range Position for each forecast interval up to four forecast intervals	Alphanumeric or Degree Nmi	NO DATA or 0 to 360 0 to 248	1	Note 1
	Site Storm Cell Tracking/Forecast Position Adaptable Parameters	See Remarks	See Remarks	See Remarks	2820003, Pt1, Table A-6 Storm Cell Tracking
TORNADO VORTEX SIGNATURE (TVS)	Radar ID	N/A	0 to 999	1	
	Volume Scan Start Date	N/A	Months: 1 to 12 Days: 1 to 31 Years: 0 to 99	N/A	
	Volume Scan Start Time	N/A	Hours: 0 to 23 Minutes: 0 to 59 Seconds: 0 to 59	N/A	
	Number of TVSs	N/A	0 to 25	1	If the TDA identified more than the (adaptable) maximum number of TVSs, then the number will be preceded by a ">"
	Number of ETVSs	N/A	0 to 25	1	If the TDA identified more than the (adaptable) maximum number of ETVSs, then the number will be preceded by a ">"
	Feature Type	Alphanumeric	TVS or ETVS	N/A	
	Feature ID	N/A	01 through 25	0/1	TVSs and ETVSs are numbered independently
	Storm Cell ID	Alphanumeric	A0 through Z0, then A1 through Z1, then A2Z9, or ??	N/A	The sequence is recycled following Z9. "??" is displayed if the TVS or ETVS is not associated with

PRODUCT NAME	CONTENT	UNITS	RANGE	ACCURACY/ PRECISION	REMARKS
					a storm cell
	Position: • Azimuth	Degrees	0 to 359	1	
	Range	Nmi	0 to 48	1	
	Average Delta Velocity	kts	0 to 494	1	
	Low-level Delta Velocity	kts	0 to 494	1	
	Maximum Delta Velocity	kts	0 to 494	1	
	Height of the Maximum Delta Velocity	kft	0.0 to 70.0	0.1	
	Depth	kft	0.0 to 70.0	0.1	If the base or top is on the lowest or highest elevation scan, respectively then the Depth is preceded by a ">" in the display
	Base	kft	0 to 70	1	If the base is on the lowest elevation scan, then it is preceded by a "<" in the display
	Тор	kft	0.0 to 70.0	.1	
	Maximum Shear	m/s/km (or E- 3/sec)	0 to 999	1	
	Height of the Maximum Shear	kft	0.0 to 70.0	0.1	
	Site Adaptable Parameters	See Remarks	See Remarks	See Remarks	2820003, Pt1, Table A-18 TDA
HAIL INDEX	Radar ID	N/A	0 to 999	1	
	Volume Scan Start Date	N/A	Months: 1 to 12 Days: 1 to 31 Years: 0 to 99	N/A	
	Volume Scan Start Time	N/A	Hours: 0 to 23 Minutes: 0 to 59 Seconds: 0 to 59	N/A	
	Number of Storm Cells	N/A	0 to 100	1	
	Storm Cell ID	Alphanumeric	A0 through	N/A	The sequence is

PRODUCT NAME	CONTENT	UNITS	RANGE	ACCURACY/ PRECISION	REMARKS
			Z0, then A1 through Z1, then A2Z9		recycled following Z9 Note 1
	Hail Characteristics Probability of Hail (POH) Probability of Severe Hail (POSH) Maximum Expected Hail Size	Alphanumeric Percent Percent Inches	UNKNOWN or 0 to 100 0 to 100 0.00 and 0.50 to 4.00	N/A	If the maximum expected hail size exceeds 4.00 inches, the hail size is labeled ">4.00".  If the Probability of Hail and the Probability of Severe Hail are greater than 0% and the maximum expected hail size is less than 0.50 inches, the hail is labeled "<50.0".  If the Hail Characteristics cannot be determined, the Hail Characteristics are labeled "UNKNOWN".
	Site Adaptable Parameters	See Remarks	See Remarks	See Remarks	2820003, Pt1, Table A-8 Hail
SURFACE RAINFALL ACCUMULATION - ONE HOUR	Mean-field Bias Estimate	N/A	0.01 to 99.99	0.01	
	Effective No. G-R Pairs (Sample Size)	N/A	0.00 to 9999.99	0.01	
	Memory Span used in Bias Estimate	Hours	0.001 to 10**7	0.001	
	Site Adaptable Parameters	See Remarks	See Remarks	See Remarks	TBD Information is only provided if the product is not labeled 'BAD SCAN'.
SURFACE	The following				

PRODUCT NAME	CONTENT	UNITS	RANGE	ACCURACY/ PRECISION	REMARKS
RAINFALL ACCUMULATION - THREE HOUR	information is provided for up to three hourly intervals is:				
	Interval Ending Date	N/A	Months: 1 to 12 Days: 1 to 31 Years: 00 to 99	N/A	
	Interval Ending Time	N/A	Hours: 0 to 23 Minutes: 0 to 59	N/A	
	Adjusted	N/A	Y/N	N/A	
	Mean-field Bias Estimates	N/A	0.01 to 99.99	0.01	Note 2
	Effective No. G-R Pairs (Sample Sizes)	N/A	0.00 to 9999.99	0.01	Note 2
	Memory Spans used in Bias Estimates	Hours	0.001 to 10**7	0.001	Note 2
	Scan Type	N/A	1 = Ends at Clock Hour 2 = Ends at Gage Time 3 = Both	N/A	Note 2
STORM TOTAL ACCUMULATION	Mean of Bias Estimates Computed During Accumulation Period	N/A	0.01 to 99.99	0.01	
	Mean of G-R Pair Sample Sizes used in Bias Estimates During Accumulation Period	N/A	0.00 to 9999.99	0.01	
	Mean of Memory Spans used in Bias Estimates During Accumulation Period	Hours	0.001 to 10**7	0.001	
	Site Adaptable Parameters	See Remarks	See Remarks	See Remarks	TBD Information is only provided if the product is not labeled 'BAD SCAN'.

PRODUCT NAME	CONTENT	UNITS	RANGE	ACCURACY/ PRECISION	REMARKS
MESOCYCLONE DETECTION	Radar ID	N/A	0 to 999	1	
	Volume Scan Start Date	N/A	Months: 1 to 12 Days: 1 to 31 Years: 0 to 99	N/A	
	Volume Scan Start Time	N/A	Hours: 0 to 23 Minutes: 0 to 59 Seconds: 0 to 59	N/A	
	Average Motion: • Direction • Speed	• Degrees • Kts	• 0 to 360 • 0 to 129	• 1 • 1	Average of all MDA detected circulations regardless of whether they meet minimum display thresholds.
	Circulation ID	N/A	0 through 999	N/A	The sequence is recycled following 999
	Position: • Azimuth • Range	• Degrees • nmi	<ul><li>0 to 360</li><li>0 to 48</li></ul>	• 1 • 1	Base 2D feature component
	Strength Rank	N/A	1 to 25	1	If the strength rank was computed by the Low-Top or Shallow method, an L or S will also be displayed.
	Associated SCIT Storm ID	N/A	A0 through Z0, then A1 through Z1, then A2Z9	N/A	Closest SCIT identified storm cell ID.
	Low Level (base) Rotational Velocity	Kts	0 to 129	1	
	Low Level (base) Gate-to-Gate Velocity Difference	Kts	0 to 129	1	
	Base Height (ARL)	Kft	0 to 33	1	If the Base is on the lowest elevation scan or below 1km, then the height is preceded by a "<" in the display.
	Depth	Kft	0 to 33	1	If the Base is on the lowest

PRODUCT NAME	CONTENT	UNITS	RANGE	ACCURACY/ PRECISION	REMARKS
					elevation scan or below 1km, then the Depth is preceded by a ">" in the display.
	Storm Relative Depth Percentage	Percent	0 to 100	1	Based on the average depth of the ten SCIT identified storm cells having the highest cell based VIL.
	Maximum Rotational Velocity	Kts	0 to 129	1	
	Height of Maximum Rotational Velocity (ARL)	Kft	0 to 33	1	
	TVS	N/A	Y or N	N/A	Y if a TVS is detected within 2 km of Position
	Motion	deg/kts	0 to 360 deg 0 to 99 kts	1 deg 1 kt	Motion of this MDA detection or blanks if detection not tracked.
N. J. W. L. I	Mesocyclone Strength Index	N/A	0 to 99999	1	See MDA AEL.

Note 1: Tabular Alphanumeric Block will display an adaptable number of storm cells.

Note 2: This will be repeated each hour in the product.

Note 3: "^" displayed when the attribute(s) is (are) updated to the current detection.

	MSB	HALFWORD	LSB	
		No Value		_
	I	PACKET CODE (=6)		
	LENGTH	H OF DATA BLOCK (	(BYTES)	
	I	STARTING POINT		1/4 Km or
	J	STARTING POINT		Screen Coordinates
DATA	END	I VECTOR NUMBE	R 1	
BLOCK	END	J VECTOR NUMBE	R 1	
	END	I VECTOR NUMBE	R 2	
	END	J VECTOR NUMBE	R 2	
		•		
		•		

Figure 3-7 Linked Vector Packet - Packet Code 6 (Sheet 1)

	MSB	Uniform Value	LSB	
	LENGTI	H OF DATA BLOCK (I	BYTES)	
	VAL	UE (LEVEL) OF VECT	ГOR	
		I STARTING POINT		1/4 Km
		J STARTING POINT		Screen Coordinates
DATA	ENI	D I VECTOR NUMBE	R 1	
BLOCK	ENI	O J VECTOR NUMBE	R 1	
	ENI	D I VECTOR NUMBE	R 2	
	ENI	O J VECTOR NUMBE	R 2	
		•		
		•		

Figure 3-7 Linked Vector Packet - Packet Code 9 (Sheet 2)

No Value

FIELDNAME	TYPE	UNITS	RANGE	PRECISION/ ACCURACY	REMARKS
Packet Code	INT*2	N/A	6	N/A	Packet Type 6
Length of Block	INT*2	Bytes	1 to 32767	1	Number of bytes in block not including self or packet code
I Starting Point	INT*2	Km/4 or Pixels	-2048 to +2047	1	I coordinate for vector starting point
J Starting Point	INT*2	Km/4 or Pixels	-2048 to +2047	1	J coordinate for vector starting point
End I Vector Number 1	INT*2	Km/4 or Pixels	-2048 to +2047	1	I coordinate for vector end point 1
End J Vector Number 1	INT*2	Km/4 or Pixels	-2048 to +2047	1	J coordinate for vector end point 1
End I Vector Number 2	INT*2	Km/4 or Pixels	-2048 to +2047	1	I coordinate for vector end point 2
End J Vector Number 2	INT*2	Km/4 or Pixels	-2048 to +2047	1	J coordinate for vector end point 2

**Uniform Value** 

FIELDNAME	TYPE	UNITS	RANGE	PRECISION/ ACCURACY	REMARKS
Packet Code	INT*2	N/A	9	N/A	Packet Type 9
Length of	INT*2	Bytes	1 to 32767	1	Number of bytes in block
Block					not including self or packet
					code
Value	INT*2	N/A	0 to 15	1	Color Level of Vector
(Level) of					
Vector					
I Starting	INT*2	Km/4 or	-2048 to	1	I coordinate for vector
Point		Pixels	+2047		starting point
J Starting	INT*2	Km/4 or	-2048 to	1	J coordinate for vector
Point		Pixels	+2047		starting point
End I Vector	INT*2	Km/4 or	-2048 to	1	I coordinate for vector end
Number 1		Pixels	+2047		point 1
End J Vector	INT*2	Km/4 or	-2048 to	1	J coordinate for vector end
Number 1		Pixels	+2047		point 1
End I Vector	INT*2	Km/4 or	-2048 to	1	I coordinate for vector end
Number 2		Pixels	+2047		point 2
End J Vector	INT*2	Km/4 or	-2048 to	1	J coordinate for vector end
Number 2		Pixels	+2047		point 2

Figure 3-7. Linked Vector Packet - Packet Code 9 (Sheet 3)

		WORD L Value	SB
	PACKET (	CODE (=7)	
	LENGTH OF I (BYT		
	BEGINNING I	VECTOR	1/4 KM
	BEGINNING J	VECTOR	<u>1</u> OR
DATA	END I	VECTOR	1 SCREEN COORDINATES
BLOCK	END J	VECTOR	1
	BEGINNING I	VECTOR	2
	BEGINNING J	VECTOR	2
	END I	VECTOR	2
	END J	VECTOR	2
	•	•	

Figure 3-8. Unlinked Vector Packet - Packet Code 7 (Sheet 1)

		niform Value	LSB	
	PACKET	CODE (=1	0)	
	LENGTH OF (BY	T DATA BL (TES)		
	VALUE (LEVE	L) OF VE	CTORS	
	BEGINNING I	VEC'	TOR 1	1/4 KM
	BEGINNING J	VEC'	TOR 1	OR
DATA	END I	VEC'	TOR 1	SCREEN COORDINATES
BLOCK	END J	VEC'	TOR 1	
	BEGINNING I	VEC'	TOR 2	
	BEGINNING J	VEC'	TOR 2	
	END I	VEC'	TOR 2	
	END J	VEC'	TOR 2	
	•		•	

Figure 3-8. Unlinked Vector Packet - Packet Code 10 (Sheet 2)

No Value

<u>No value</u>					
	(DX/DE)	TINITE	DANGE	PRECISION/	DEMADIZO
FIELDNAME	TYPE	UNITS	RANGE	ACCURACY	REMARKS
Packet Code	INT*2	N/A	7	N/A	Packet Type 7
Length of Block	INT*2	Bytes	1 to 32767	1	Number of bytes in block not including self or packet code
Begin I Vector 1	INT*2	Km/4 or Pixels	-2048 to +2047	1	I coordinate for vector starting point 1
Begin J Vector 1	INT*2	Km/4 or Pixels	-2048 to +2047	1	J coordinate for vector starting point 1
End 1 Vector 1	INT*2	Km/4 or Pixels	-2048 to +2047	1	I coordinate for vector end point 1
End J Vector 1	INT*2	Km/4 or Pixels	-2048 to +2047	1	J coordinate for vector end point 1
Begin I Vector 2	INT*2	Km/4 or Pixels	-2048 to +2047	1	I coordinate for vector starting point 2
Begin J Vector 2	INT*2	Km/4 or Pixels	-2048 to +2047	1	J coordinate for vector starting point 2
End I Vector 2	INT*2	Km/4 or Pixels	-2048 to +2047	1	I coordinate for vector end point 2
End J Vector 2	INT*2	Km/4 or Pixels	-2048 to +2047	1	J coordinate for vector end point 2

Figure 3-8. Unlinked Vector Packet - Packet Code 7 (Sheet 3)

**Uniform Value** 

Ullioriii value				PRECISION/	
FIELDNAME	TYPE	UNITS	RANGE	ACCURACY	REMARKS
Packet Code	INT*2	N/A	10	N/A	Packet Type 10
Length of Block	INT*2	Bytes	1 to 32767	1	Number of bytes in block not including self or packet code
Value (Level) of Vector	INT*2	N/A	0 to 15	1	Color Level of Vector
Begin I Vector 1	INT*2	Km/4 or Pixels	-2048 to +2047	1	I coordinate for vector starting point 1
Begin J Vector 1	INT*2	Km/4 or Pixels	-2048 to +2047	1	J coordinate for vector starting point 1
End 1 Vector 1	INT*2	Km/4 or Pixels	-2048 to +2047	1	I coordinate for vector end point 1
End J Vector 1	INT*2	Km/4 or Pixels	-2048 to +2047	1	J coordinate for vector end point 1
Begin I Vector 2	INT*2	Km/4 or Pixels	-2048 to +2047	1	I coordinate for vector starting point 2
Begin J Vector 2	INT*2	Km/4 or Pixels	-2048 to +2047	1	J coordinate for vector starting point 2
End I Vector 2	INT*2	Km/4 or Pixels	-2048 to +2047	1	I coordinate for vector end point 2
End J Vector 2	INT*2	Km/4 or Pixels	-2048 to +2047	1	J coordinate for vector end point 2

Figure 3-8. Unlinked Vector Packet - Packet Code 10 (Sheet 4)

	I	HALFWORD		
	MSB Write	e Text (No Value)	LSB	_
	PAC	KET CODE (=1)		
	LENGTH OF	DATA BLOCK (BY	TES)	
D.1.	I ST.	ARTING POINT		1/4 KM
DATA	$_{ m JST}$	ARTING POINT		Screen Coordinates
BLOCK	0 2 1	111/111/0/1 011/1		
	CHARACTER	1 CHARAC	TER 2	
	CHARACTER	3 CHARAC	TER 4	
	•	•		
	•	•		
	CHARACTER N	N-1 CHARAC'	TER N	

Figure 3-8b. Text and Special Symbol Packets - Packet Code 1 (Sheet 1)

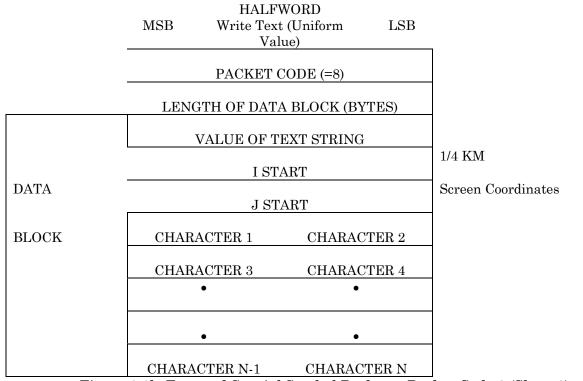


Figure 3-8b. Text and Special Symbol Packets - Packet Code 8 (Sheet 2)

## HALFWORD MSB Write Special Symbols (No LSB Value) PACKET CODE (=2) LENGTH OF DATA BLOCK (BYTES) 1/4 KM I STARTING POINT DATA Screen Coordinates J STARTING POINT CHARACTER 1 BLOCK CHARACTER 2 CHARACTER 3 CHARACTER 4 CHARACTER N-1 CHARACTER N

Figure 3-8b. Text and Special Symbol Packets - Packet Code 2 (Sheet 3)

Write Text (No Value)

				PRECISION/	
FIELDNAME	TYPE	UNITS	RANGE	ACCURACY	REMARKS
Packet Code	INT*2	N/A	1	N/A	Packet Type 1
Length of Block	INT*2	Bytes	1 to 32767	1	Number of bytes in
					block not including self
					or packet code
I Starting Point	INT*2	Km/4	-2408 to +2047	1	I coordinate for text
		or			starting point
		Pixels			
J Starting Point	INT*2	Km/4	-2048 to +2047	1	J coordinate for text
		or			starting point
		Pixels			
Character 1 to N	Char	8 bit	ASCII	N/A	Characters are ASCII
		ASCII	Character Set		

Write Text (Uniform Value)

FIELDNAME	ТҮРЕ	UNITS	RANGE	PRECISION/ ACCURACY	REMARKS
Packet Code	INT*2	N/A	8	N/A	Packet Type 8
Length of Block	INT*2	Bytes	1 to 32767	1	Number of bytes in block not including self or packet code
Value (Level) of Text	INT*2	N/A	0 to 15	1	Color Level of text
I Starting Point	INT*2	Km/4 or Pixels	-2048 to +2047	1	I coordinate for text starting point
J Starting Point	INT*2	Km/4 or Pixels	-2048 to +2047	1	J coordinate for text starting point
Character 1 to N	Char	8 bit ASCII	ASCII Character Set	N/A	Characters are ASCII

Figure 3-8b. Text and Special Symbol Packets - Packet Code 1 (Sheet 4)

Write Special Symbols (No Value)

**************************************				PRECISION/	
FIELDNAME	TYPE	UNITS	RANGE	ACCURACY	REMARKS
Packet Code	INT*2	N/A	2	N/A	Packet Type 2
Length of Block	INT*2	Bytes	1 to 32767	1	Number of bytes in block not including self or packet code
I Starting Point	INT*2	Km/4 or Pixels	-2048 to +2047	1	I coordinate for special symbol starting point (Note 1)
J Starting Point	INT*2	Km/4 or Pixels	-2048 to +2047	1	J coordinate for special symbol starting point (Note 1)
Character 1 to N	Char	8 bit ASCII	ASCII Character Set	N/A	Characters are ASCII

**Note 1:** I, J for special symbols are at the center of the symbol and at the upper left corner of the symbol for text.

**Note 2:** The special symbol characters in use are: !(21), "(22), #(23), \$(24), %(25) to report past storm cell position, current storm cell position, forecast storm cell position, past MDA position, and forecast MDA position, respectively. Where, the number in parenthesis is the 8-bit hexadecimal value for the ASCII character. The appearance of the special symbols (e.g., filled circles, plus marks, X within a circle) is described in the Product Specification ICD (2620003), sections 18.3.2 and 20.3.2.

Figure 3-8b. Text and Special Symbol Packets - Packet Code 2 (Sheet 5)

	MSB	HALFWORD LSB			
	A	F	1	F	PACKET CODE
	INDEX OF FIRST RANGE BIN				
	NUMBER OF RANGE BINS  I CENTER OF SWEEP  J CENTER OF SWEEP  SCALE FACTOR (230 / # OF RANGE BINS)				
	]	NUMBER O			
	NUMBER OF RLE HALFWORDS IN				
	RADIAL				
REPEAT	RADIAL START ANGLE				
FOR	D.D.L. AMGLE DELE				
EACH	RADIAL ANGLE DELTA				
RADIAL	DIIN (0)	COLOD	DIINI (1)	COLOD	
	RUN (0)	COLOR CODE	RUN (1)	COLOR CODE	
		(0)		(1)	
	RUN (2)	COLOR	RUN (3)	COLOR	
	1101V (2)	COLOR	11011 (3)	CODE	
		(2)		(3)	
	• • •				ļ
	• • •				
	RUN (N)	COLOR	0000	0000	
	/ ( - 1)	CODE			
		(N)			

Figure 3-10. Radial Data Packet (16 Data Levels) - Packet Code AF1F (Sheet 1)

Sectors or "Windows" Products will use this format with sufficient data to fill the requested area.

				PRECISION/	
FIELDNAME	TYPE	UNITS	RANGE	ACCURACY	REMARKS
Packet Code	INT*2	N/A	AF1F (Hex)	N/A	Packet Type X'AF1F'
Index of First Range Bin	INT*2	N/A	0 to 460	1	Location of first range bin
Number of Range Bins	INT*2	N/A	1 to 460	1	Number of range bins comprising a radial
I Center of Sweep	INT*2	Km/4	-2048 to +2047	1	I coordinate of center of sweep
J Center of Sweep	INT*2	Km/4	-2048 to +2047	1	J coordinate of center of sweep
Scale Factor	Scaled Intege r	Pixels	.001 to 8.000	.001	Number of pixels per range bin
Number of Radials	INT*2	N/A	1 to 400	1	Total number of radials in products
Number of RLE Halfwords in Radial	INT*2	Halfwor d	1 to 230	1	Number of RLE (Run Length Encoded) 16-bit halfwords per radial
Radial Start Angle	Scaled Intege r	Degrees	0.0 to 359.9	.1	Starting angle at which radial data was collected; Scan is always in Clockwise direction
Radial Angle Delta	Scaled Intege r	Degrees	0.0 to 2.0	.1	Radial angle data
Run(0)	4 Bit INT	N/A	0 to 15	1	4-bit run code
Color Code(0)	4 Bit INT	N/A	0 to 15	1	4-bit color level

Figure 3-10. Radial Data Packet (16 Data Levels) - Packet Code AF1F (Sheet 2)

	MSB	HALF	WORD	LSB	
	В	A	0	F or 7	PACKET CODE
	8	0	0	0	/ OP FLAGS
	0	0	C	0	
	1	COORDIN	ATE START	[	
	J	COORDIN	ATE STAR	Γ	
		X SCAI	LE INT		
	Σ	SCALE FE	RACTIONAL		
		Y SCAI	LE INT		
	7	SCALE FF	RACTIONAL	_1	
		NUMBER	OF ROWS		
	P	ACKING D	ESCRIPTO	R	
	NUMB	ER OF BYT	ES IN THIS	SROW	
REPEAT	RUN (0)	COLOR	RUN (1)	COLOR	
FOR		CODE		CODE	
		(0)		(1)	
EACH	RUN (2)	COLOR	RUN (3)	COLOR	
ROW		CODE		CODE	
		(2)		(3)	
	RUN (N)	COLOR	0000	0000	
		CODE			
		(N)			

Figure 3-11. Raster Data Packet - Packet Codes BA0F and BA07 (Sheet 1)

				PRECISION/	
FIELDNAME	TYPE	UNITS	RANGE	ACCURACY	REMARKS
Packet Code	INT*2	N/A	BA0F (Hex)	N/A	Packet Type X
			or BA07 (Hex)		'BA0F' or X'BA07'
Packet Code	INT*2	N/A	8000 (Hex)	N/A	Packet Type X'8000'
Packet Code	INT*2	N/A	00C0 (Hex)	N/A	Packet Type X'00C0'
I Coordinate Start	INT*2	Km/4	-2048 to	1	Starting location of
			+2047		data
J Coordinate Start	INT*2	Km/4	-2048 to	1	Starting location of
			+2047		data
X Scale INT	INT*2	N/A	1 to 67	1	Scaling factor for grid
X Scale Fractional	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Reserved for internal
					PUP use
Y Scale INT	INT*2	N/A	1 to 67	1	Scaling factor for grid
Y Scale Fractional	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Reserved for internal
					PUP use
Number of Rows	INT*2	N/A	1 to 464	1	Number of rows in
					layer
Packing Descriptor	INT*2	N/A	2	N/A	Defines packing
					format 2
Number of Bytes in	INT*2	Bytes	2 to 920	1	Number of bytes in
this Row					this row not including
					self
Run(0)	4 Bit	N/A	0 to 15	1	4-bit run code
	INT				
Color Code(0)	4 Bit	N/A	0 to 15	1	4-bit color level
	INT				

Figure 3-11. Raster Data Packet - Packet Codes BA0F and BA07 (Sheet 2)

	MSB	HALF	WORD	LSB	
	PACKET CODE (=17)				
		SPA	ARE		
		SPA	ARE		
NUMBER OF LFM BOXES IN					
	NUMBER OF R				
REPEAT FOR		NUMBER OF E	BYTES IN ROW		
EACH ROW	RU	N (0)	LEVEL (01	.)	
	RU	N (1)	LEVEL (1)	)	
		•	•		
		•	•		
		•	•		
	RU	N (N)	LEVEL (N	)	

Figure 3-11a. Digital Precipitation Data Array Packet - Packet Code 17 (Sheet 1)

				PRECISION/	
FIELDNAME	TYPE	UNITS	RANGE	ACCURACY	REMARKS
Packet Code	INT*2	N/A	17	N/A	Packet Type 17
Spares	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	
Number of LFM Boxes	INT*2	N/A	131	1	Number of boxes in
in Row					each row
Number of Rows	INT*2	N/A	131	1	Total number of rows
Number of Bytes in	INT*2	N/A	2 to 262	1	Number of bytes in this
Row					row
Run(0)	1 Byte	N/A	0 to 255	1	8-bit run code
Level(0)	1 Byte	N/A	0 to 255	1	8-bit data level code.
					See Note 1 of Figure 3-
					6

Figure 3-11a. Digital Precipitation Data Array Packet - Packet Code 17 (Sheet 2)

	MSB	HALFWOI	RD	LSB		
	PACKET CODE (=18)					
		SPA	RE			
		SPA	ARE			
	N	UMBER OF LFN	I BOXES IN RO	W		
		NUMBER	OF ROWS			
REPEAT FOR		NUMBER OF E	SYTES IN ROW			
EACH ROW	RUN (0)	LEVEL (0)	RUN (1)	LEVEL (1)		
	RUN (2)	LEVEL (2)	RUN (3)	LEVEL (3)		
	• • •					
	• • •					
	RUN (N)	LEVEL (N)	0000	0000		

Figure 3-11b. Precipitation Rate Data Array Packet - Packet Code 18 (Sheet 1)

				PRECISION/	
FIELDNAME	TYPE	UNITS	RANGE	ACCURACY	REMARKS
Packet Code	INT*2	N/A	18	N/A	Packet Type 18
Spares	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	
Number of LFM Boxes	INT*2	N/A	13	1	Number of boxes in
in Row					each row
Number of Rows	INT*2	N/A	13	1	Total number of rows
Number of Byes in Row	INT*2	N/A	2 to 14	1	Number of bytes in this
					row
Run(0)	4-Bit INT	N/A	0 to 15	1	4-bit run code
Level(0)	4-Bit INT	N/A	0 to 15	1	4-bit data level code

Figure 3-11b. Precipitation Rate Data Array Packet - Packet Code 18 (Sheet 2)

	MSB	HALFWOI	RD	LSB		
		PACKET C	ODE (=16)			
	INDEX OF FIRST RANGE BIN					
		NUMBER OF	RANGE BINS			
		I CENTER	OF SWEEP			
		J CENTER	OF SWEEP			
		RANGE SCA	LE FACTOR			
		NUMBER O	F RADIALS			
	NUMBER OF BYTES IN RADIAL					
	RADIAL START ANGLE					
REPEAT		RADIAL DE	LTA ANGLE			
FOR	LEV	'EL (0)	LEVI	EL (1)		
EACH	LEV	'EL (2)	LEVI	EL (3)		
RADIAL		•	•	•		
		•				
	LEVI	EL (N-1)	LEVE	EL (N)		

Figure 3-11c. Digital Radial Data Array Packet - Packet Code 16 (Sheet 1)

				PRECISION/	
FIELDNAME	TYPE	UNITS	RANGE	ACCURACY	REMARKS
Packet Code	INT*2	N/A	16	N/A	Packet Type 16
Index of First Range	INT*2	N/A	0 to 230	1	Location of first range
Bin	T3 Tm ! a	27/4			bin
Number of Range Bins	INT*2	N/A	0 to 920	1	Number of range bins comprising a radial
I Center of Sweep	INT*2	Km/4	-2048 to +2047	1	I coordinate of center of sweep
J Center of Sweep	INT*2	Km/4	-2048 to +2047	1	J coordinate of center of sweep
Range Scale Factor	Scaled Integer	N/A	.001 to 1.000	.001	Cosine of elevation angle for elevation based products. For volume based products the value 1.00.
Number of Radials	INT*2	N/A	1 to 400	1	Total number of radials in product (Note 1)
Number of Bytes in Radial	INT*2	N/A	1 to 920	1	Number of bytes of 8- bit data level values per radial
Radial Start Angle	Scaled Integer	Degrees	0.0 to 359.9	.1	Starting angle at which radial data was collected; Scan is always clockwise
Radial Delta Angle	Scaled Integer	Degrees	0.0 to 2.0	.1	Delta angle from previous radial
Level (0)	1 Byte	N/A	0 to 255	1	8-bit data level code. (See Note 1 of Figure 3-6)

Note 1: The SPG clips radials to 70 kft. This could result in an odd number of bins in radial. However, the radial will always be on a halfword boundary, so the number of bytes in a radial may be number of bins in a radial + 1.

Figure 3-11c. Digital Radial Data Array Packet - Packet Code 16 (Sheet 2)

	MSB	HALFWORD	LSB
		PACKET CODE (=4)	
		LENGTH OF DATA BLOCK (BYTES)	
	REPEAT	VALUE	
DATA	FOR	X COORDINATE	
BLOCK	EACH	Y COORDINATE	
	BARB	DIRECTION OF WIND	
		WIND SPEED	
	_	•	
		•	
		•	

FIELDNAME	TYPE	UNITS	RANGE	PRECISION/ ACCURACY	REMARKS
Packet Code	INT*2	N/A	4	N/A	Packet Type 4
Length of Block	INT*2	Bytes	1 to 32767	1	Number of bytes in block not including self or packet code
Value	INT*2	N/A	1 to 5	1	Color level of wind barb (reflects the RMS value associated with the computed velocity)
X Coordinate	INT*2	Km/4 or Pixels	-2048 to +2047	1	Coordinate where the value starts
Y Coordinate	INT*2	Km/4 or Pixels	-2048 to +2047	1	Coordinate where the value starts
Direction of Wind	INT*2	Degrees	0 to 359	1	Points into wind
Wind Speed	INT*2	Knots	0 to 195	1	Magnitude of wind

Figure 3-13. Wind Barb Data Packet - Packet Code 4

	MSB	HALFWORD	LSB
		PACKET CODE (=3 or 11)	
MESOCYCLONE		LENGTH OF BLOCK (BYTES)	
REPEAT FOR		I POSITION	
EACH SYMBOL		J POSITION	
		RADIUS OF MESOCYCLONE	
	MSB	HALFWORD	LSB
		PACKET CODE (=12 or 26)	
TVS or ETVS		LENGTH OF BLOCK (BYTES)	
REPEAT FOR		I POSITION	
EACH SYMBOL		J POSITION	
	MSB	HALFWORD	LSB
		PACKET CODE (=13)	
HAIL POSITIVE			
(FILLED)		LENGTH OF BLOCK (BYTES)	
REPEAT FOR		I POSITION	
EACH SYMBOL		J POSITION	
	MSB	HALFWORD	LSB
		PACKET CODE (=14)	
HAIL PROBABLE		LENGTH OF BLOCK (BYTES)	
REPEAT FOR		I POSITION	
EACH SYMBOL		J POSITION	

Figure 3-14. Special Graphic Symbol Packet - Packet Code 3 or 11, 12 or 26, 13 and 14 (Sheet 1)

	MSB							
		PACKET C	ODE (=15)					
STORM ID		LENGTH OF BLOCK (BYTES)						
REPEAT FOR		I POSITION						
EACH SYMBOL		J POSITION						
	CHAR	RACTER 1	CHARACTE	ER 2				
	MCD	TIAT IN	WODD	LOD				
	MSB	HALF		LSB				
IID A II A II		PACKET C						
HDA HAIL		LENGTH OF BI						
REPEAT FOR		I POSI						
EACH SYMBOL		J POSI						
		F HAIL						
		PROB. OF SE						
		MAX HA	IL SIZE					
	MSB	HALFV	WORD	LSB				
SCIT PAST/		PACKET COL	OE (=23 or 24)					
FORECAST DATA		LENGTH OF BI						
		DISPLAY DA	TA PACKETS					
		•						
		•	1					
	MSB	TIAT 178	NODD	I CD				
	MSB	HALF		LSB				
STI CIRCLE		PACKET C	\ /					
SII CIRCLE		LENGTH OF BL						
		I POSI						
		J POSI						
9 14 Cm: -1 C 1	.: - Ck -1 D	RADIUS OF CIRCLE						

Figure 3-14. Special Graphic Symbol Packet - Packet Codes 15, 19, 23, 24 and 25 (Sheet 2)

				PRECISION/	
FIELDNAME	TYPE	UNITS	RANGE	ACCURACY	REMARKS
Packet Code	INT*2	N/A	3, 12 to 15, 19, 23 to 26	N/A	Packet Type (Note 1)
Length of Block	INT*2	Bytes	1 to 32767	1	Number of bytes in block not including self or packet code
I Position	INT*2	Km/4	-2048 to +2047	1	I starting coordinate
J Position	INT*2	Km/4	-2048 to +2047	1	J starting coordinate
Radius of Mesocyclone	INT*2	Km/4	-2048 to +2047	1	A radius of 0 indicates that no mesocyclone is present and I, J coordinates are set to 0,0.
Character 1	Char	8-bit ASCII	A to Z	N/A	First character of Storm ID
Character 2	Char	8-bit ASCII	0 to 9	N/A	Second character of Storm ID
Probability of Hail	INT*2	N/A	0 to 100, -999	10	Probability in Percent (Note 2)
Probability of Severe Hail	INT*2	N/A	0 to 100, -999	10	Probability in Percent (Note 2)
Max Hail Size	INT*2	Inches	0 to 4	1	Maximum expected hail size
Display Data Packet	INT*2	N/A	N/A	N/A	Past or forecast position data for a Single storm cell. Consists of packet code 2, (Figure 3-8b), packet code 6*(Figure 3-7) or packet code 25 (Figure 3-14)
Radius of STI Circle	INT*2	Pixels	1 to 512	1	Radius of circle

Note 1. Packet code 23 for past position data, packet code 24 for forecast position data, and packet code 25 for current position. Packet code 12 is for TVS position data and packet code 26 is for ETVS position data.

Note 2.A value of -999 indicates that these cells are beyond the maximum range for algorithm processing.

Figure 3-14. Special Graphic Symbol Packet - Packet Codes 3, 12, 13, 14, 15, 19, 23, 24, 25 and 26 (Sheet 3)

	MSB	HALFWORD	LSB
		PACKET CODE (=20)	
		LENGTH OF BLOCK (BYTES)	
REPEAT FOR		I POSITION	
EACH SYMBOL		J POSITION	
		POINT FEATURE TYPE	
		POINT FEATURE ATTRIBUTE	

FIELDNAME	TYPE	UNITS	RANGE	PRECISION/ ACCURACY	REMARKS
Packet Code	INT*2	N/A	20	N/A	Packet Type (Note 1)
Length of	INT*2	Bytes	8 to	1	Number of bytes in block not including self
Block			32760		or packet code
I Position	INT*2	Km/4	-2048 to	1	I starting coordinate
			+2047		
J Position	INT*2	Km/4	-2048 to	1	J starting coordinate
			+2047		
Point	INT*2	N/A	1 to 4, 5	1	1 = reserved
Feature			to 8, 9-11		2 = reserved
Type					3 = reserved
					4 = reserved
					5 = TVS (extrapolated)
					6 = ETVS (extrapolated)
					7 = reserved
					8 = reserved
					9 = MDA Circulation with Strength Rank >=
					5 AND with a Base Height <= 1 km ARL or
					with its Base on the lowest elevation angle.
					10 = MDA Circulation with Strength Rank
					>= 5 AND with a Base Height > 1 km ARL
					AND that Base is not on the lowest elevation
					angle.
					11 = MDA Circulation with Strength Rank <
					5
Point	INT*2	Type	Type	Type	For feature types 1-4, 9, 10, 11, radius in
Feature		depende	depende	dependent,	km/4
Attribute		nt, see	nt, see	see	
		remarks.	remarks.	remarks.	

Figure 3-14. Special Graphic Symbol Packet - Packet Code 20 (Sheet 4)

	MSB	WORD	LSB				
		PACKET CODE (=21)					
	LENGTH OF BLOCK (BYTES)						
	CELL ID C1 CELL ID C2						
	I POSITION						
		J POS	ITION				
REPEAT FOR		TREND	CODE				
EACH TREND	# VO	LUMES	LATEST VOL P	TR			
CODE		VOL. 1 TR	END DATA				
		•					
	•						
	VOL N TREND DATA						

	1		1	DD D GTGTG111	
				PRECISION/	
FIELDNAME	TYPE	UNITS	RANGE	ACCURACY	REMARKS
Packet Code	INT*2	N/A	21	N/A	Packet Type 21
Length of Block	INT*2	Bytes	12 to 198	1	Number of bytes to
					follow in this packet
Cell ID C1	8 bit	N/A	A to Z	N/A	First character of cell
	ASCII				ID
Cell ID C2	8 bit	N/A	0 to 9	N/A	Second character of
	ASCII				cell ID
I Position	INT*2	Km/8	-4096 to	1	Cell I coordinate at
			+4095		latest Volume Scan
J Position	INT*2	Km/8	-4096 to	1	Cell J coordinate at
			+4095		latest Volume Scan
Trend Code	INT*2	N/A	1 to 8	1	Indicates trend data
					type to follow:
					1 = cell top
					2 = cell base
					$3 = \max. \text{ ref. hgt.}$
					4 = prob. hail
					5 = prob. svr. hail
					6 = cell based VIL
					$7 = \max. ref.$
					8 = centroid hgt.

Figure 3-15. Cell Trend Data Packet - Packet Code 21 (Sheet 1)

				PRECISION/	
FIELDNAME	TYPE	UNITS	RANGE	ACCURACY	REMARKS
# Volumes	INT*1	N/A	1 to 10	1	Number of volume
					scans of trend data for this trend code in the
					circular list
Latest Vol PTR	INT*1	N/A	1 to 10	1	Pointer to the latest
					volume scan in the circular list
Vol 1 Trend Data	INT*2	Note 1	Note 1	Note 1	Trend data for each
					scan in the circular
					list
•					
•					
WIND ID					
Vol N Trend Data					

TREND		SCALE	SCALED		
CODE	UNITS	FACTOR	RANGE	PRECISION	REMARKS
1	Feet	/100	0 to 1700	100 Feet	Note 2
2	Feet	/100	0 to 1700	100 Feet	Note 2
3	Feet	/100	0 to 700	100 Feet	
4	Percent	1	0 to 100	10 Percent	Note 3
5	Percent	1	0 to 100	10 Percent	Note 3
6	kg/m**2	1	0 to 100	1 kg/m**2	
7	dBZ	1	0 to 75	1 dBZ	
8	Feet	/100	0 to 700	100 Feet	

Note 1: The following defines the units, scale factor, range and precision for each trend code:

Note 2: If the value is over 700, then 1000 has been added to denote that the CELL TOP (BASE) was detected on the highest (lowest) elevation scan.

Note 3:Flag values of -999 denote that an UNKNOWN value (i.e. the cell is outside the maximum hail processing range).

Figure 3-15. Cell Trend Data Packet - Packet Code 21 (Sheet 2)

	PACKET CODE (=22)				
CELL TREND	LENGTH OF BLOCK (BYTES)				
VOLUME SCAN	# VOLUMES LATEST VOI				
		PTR			
TIMES	VOL T	IME 1			
	•				
	•				
	VOL T	IME N			

				PRECISION/	
FIELDNAME	TYPE	UNITS	RANGE	ACCURACY	REMARKS
Packet Code	INT*2	N/A	22	N/A	Packet Type 22
Length of Block	INT*2	Bytes	4 to 22	1	Number of bytes to follow
					in this packet
# Volumes	INT*2	N/A	1 to 10	1	Number of cell trend
					volume scan times in the
					circular list
Latest Vol PTR	INT*2	N/A	1 to 10	1	pointer to the latest cell
					trend volume scan time in
					the circular list
Vol Time 1	INT*2	Minutes	0 to 1439	1	Circular list of cell trend
					volume scan times in
					minutes after midnight
					(seconds are truncated)
•					
•					
Vol Time N					

Figure 3-15a. Cell Trend Volume Scan Times - Packet Code 22

	PACKET CODE (=28, 29)
	RESERVED (=0)
GENERIC	LENGTH OF DATA
	(BYTES)
	(MSHW)
DATA	LENGTH OF DATA
	(BYTES)
	(LSHW)
PACKET	START OF SERIALIZED
	DATA
	SERIALIZED DATA
	HALFWORD 1
	•
	•
	SERIALIZED DATA
	HALFWORD N

				PRECISION/	
FIELDNAME	TYPE	UNITS	RANGE	ACCURACY	REMARKS
Packet Code	INT*2	N/A	28 or 29	N/A	Packet Type 28
					or Packet Type
D	INM*0	NT/A	0	NT/A	29
Reserved	INT*2	N/A	0	N/A	See Note 1
Length of	INT*2	Bytes	0 to maximum	1	Number of
Serialized			2-byte integer		bytes to follow
Data (MSHW)			value		in this packet
					(most
					significant
					halfword).
Length of	INT*2	Bytes	0 to maximum	1	Number of
Serialized			2-byte integer		bytes to follow
Data (LSHW)			value		in this packet
					(least
					significant
					halfword).
Serialized	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Serialized data
Data					returned from
					Generic Data
					Packet
					serializing
					function. See
					Note 2.

Note 1: Reserved for future use. Should be set to 0.

Note 2: The serialized data is encoded using External Data Representation (XDR). The XDR Standard is defined in Request For Comments (RFC) 1832. The describing data format is defined by Generic Product Format described in Appendix E.

Figure 3-15c Generic Data Packet - Packet Codes 28 and 29 (Sheet 1)

		MSB	HALFWORD	LSB				
		ME	MESSAGE HEADER BLOCK					
			(see Figure 3-3)					
		PROD	UCT DESCRIPTION E	BLOCK				
		(see s	heets 2, 6, & 7 of Figur	e 3-6)				
			BLOCK DIVIDER (-1)					
			NUMBER OF PAGES					
REPEAT	REPEAT	NU	MBER OF CHARACTI	ERS				
FOR	FOR							
EACH	EACH		CHARACTER DATA					
PAGE	LINE							
		E	ND OF PAGE FLAG (-	1)				

FIELDNAME	TYPE	UNITS	RANGE	PRECISION/ ACCURACY	REMARKS
Block Divider	INT*2	N/A	-1	N/A	Integer value of -1, used to delineate this block from the header
Number of Pages	INT*2	N/A	1 to 48	1	Total number of page
Number of Characters	INT*2	N/A	0 to 80	1	Number of characters in line
Character Data to N	Char	8 bit ASCII	ASCII Character Set	N/A	Characters are ASCII
End of Page Flag	INT*2	N/A	-1	N/A	Integer value of -1, to delineate end of page

Figure 3-16. Stand-Alone Tabular Alphanumeric Product Message

Table IX. Product Dependent Definition for Stand-Alone Tabular Alphanumeric Block

			Stand-Alone Tabu		
PRODUCT NAME	CONTENT	UNITS	RANGE	ACCURACY/ PRECISION	REMARKS
STORM STRUCTURE	Radar ID	N/A	0 to 999	N/A	
	Volume Scan	N/A	Months: 1 to 12	N/A	
	Start Date		Days: 1 to 31		
			Years: 0 to 99		
	Volume Scan	N/A	Hours: 0 to 23	N/A	
	Start Time		Minutes: 0 to 59		
			Seconds: 0 to 59		
	Number of Storms Cells	N/A	0 to 100	1	
	Storm Cell ID	Alphanum eric	A0 through Z0, then A1 through Z1, then A2Z9	N/A	The sequence is recycled following Z9 Note 1
	Storm Positions:				
	• Azimuth	• Degree	• 0 to 360	• 1	Note 1
	• Range	• nmi	• 0 to 248	• 1	
	Storm Base	Kft	0.0 to 70.0	0.1	If the storm base was identified at the lowest elevation, the value is qualified with "<". Note 1
	Storm Top	Kft	0.0 to 70.0	0.1	If the storm top was identified at the highest elevation, the value is qualified with ">". Note 1
	Cell Based VIL	kg/m <sup>2</sup>	0 to 120	1	Note 1
	Maximum Reflectivity	dBZ	0 to 95	1	Note 1
	Height of Maximum Reflectivity	Kft	0.0 to 70.0	0.1	Note 1
	Site Adaptable Parameters	See Remarks	See Remarks	See Remarks	See Table LXVIII, Site Adaptation Data in Radar Product Generation Program, 2820003, Pt1.
FREE TEXT MESSAGE	Message Text	ASCII	All ASCII Characters	N/A	
SUPPLEMENTAL PRECIPITATION DATA	Radar ID	N/A	0 to 999	N/A	

PRODUCT NAME	CONTENT	UNITS	RANGE	ACCURACY/ PRECISION	REMARKS
	Average Scan	N/A	Months: 1 to 12	N/A	
	Date		Days: 1 to 31		
			Years: 0 to 99		
	Average Scan	N/A	Hours: 0 to 23	N/A	
	Time		Minutes: 0 to 59		
	No. Blockage	N/A	0 to 99999	1	
	Bins Rejected				
	No. Clutter Bins Rejected	N/A	0 to 99999	1	
	No. Bins Smoothed	N/A	0 to 99999	1	
	Percent Hybrid Scan Filled	%	90.00 to 100.00	0.01	
	Highest Elev. Angle used in Hybrid Scan	Deg	0.50 to 19.50	0.01	
	Hybrid Scan Rain Area	Km**2	0.0 to 999999.9	0.1	
	Mean-field Bias Estimate	N/A	.01 to 99.99	.01	
	Effective # Gage- Radar Pairs (Sample Size)	N/A	0.00 to 9999.99	.01	
	Memory Span used in Bias Estimate	Hours	.001 to 10**7	.001	
	Bias Applied Flag	Alphanum eric	Yes or No	N/A	
	Begin Missing Period Date	N/A	Months: 1 to 12 Days: 1 to 31 Years: 0 to 99	N/A	
	Begin Missing Period Time	N/A	Hours: 0 to 23 Minutes: 0 to 59	N/A	
	End Missing Period Date	N/A	Months: 1 to 12 Days: 1 to 31 Years: 0 to 99	N/A	
	End Missing Period Time	N/A	Hours: 0 to 23 Minutes: 0 to 59	N/A	
	Volume Coverage Pattern	N/A	1 to 1000		
	Operational (Weather) Mode	N/A	A, B or M	N/A	
	Average Scan Date (Last Bias Update)	N/A	Months: 1 to 12 Days: 1 to 31 Years: 0 to 99	N/A	
	Average Scan Time (Last Bias Update)	N/A	Hours: 0 to 23 Minutes: 0 to 59	N/A	
	Memory Span, per evaluation	Hours	0.001 to 10**7	.001	

PRODUCT NAME	CONTENT	UNITS	RANGE	ACCURACY/ PRECISION	REMARKS
	timespan				
	Effective # Gage-	N/A	0.000 to 9999.999	.001	
	Radar Pairs, per				
	evaluation				
	timespan				
	Average Gage	mm	0.000 to 99.999	.001	
	Value, per				
	evaluation				
	timespan				
	Average Radar	mm	0.000 to 99.999	.001	
	Value, per				
	evaluation				
	timespan				
	Mean-field Bias	N/A	0.001 to 99.999	.001	
	Estimate, per				
	evaluation				
	timespan				

	MSB	HALFWORD	LSB
		MESSAGE HEADER BLOCK	
		(see Figure 3-3)	
GENERAL 10			
STATUS		(-1) BLOCK DIVIDER	
BLOCK			
11		LENGTH OF BLOCK	
12		MODE OF OPERATION	
13		RDA OPERABILITY STATUS	
14		VOLUME COVERAGE PATTERN	
15		NUMBER OF ELEVATION CUTS	
16		ELEVATION 1	
17		ELEVATION 2	
•		•	
•		•	
35		ELEVATION 20	
36		RDA STATUS	
37		RDA ALARMS	
38		DATA TRANSMISSION ENABLE	
39		SPG OPERABILITY STATUS	
40		SPG ALARMS	
41		SPG STATUS	
42		SPG NARROWBAND STATUS	
43		REFLECT. CALIB. CORR.	
44		PRODUCT AVAILABILITY	
45		SPARE	
46		SPARE	
47		SPARE	
48		RDA BUILD NUMBER	
49		RDA CHANNEL NUMBER	
50		RESERVED	
51		RESERVED	
52		BUILD VERSION	
~ <b>-</b> L			

Figure 3-17. General Status Message (Sheet 1)

HALFWORD	FIELDNAME	ТҮРЕ	UNITS	RANGE	PRECISION/ ACCURACY	REMARKS
10	Block Divider	INT*2	N/A	-1	N/A	Integer -1, block divider
11	Length of Block	INT*2	Bytes	82	1	Number of bytes to follow
12	Mode of Operation	INT*2	N/A	0 to 2	N/A	Where: 0 = reserved
						1 = reserved 2 =
						Precipitation/Severe Weather Mode
13	RDA Operability Status	Integer	N/A	0,1/Bit	Bit 15=LSB	Where:
					Bit 15=1	Reserved
					Bit 14=1	Online
					Bit 13=1	Maintenance Action Required
					Bit 12=1	Maintenance Action Mandatory
					Bit 11=1	Commanded Shutdown
					Bit 10=1	Inoperable
					Bit 9	Spare
					Bit 8=1	Wideband Disconnect
					Bits 7-0	Spare
					Bits 15-10, 8=0	Indeterminate: if all bits are zero, then the SPG determines the status
14	Volume Coverage Pattern	INT*2	N/A	1 to 767	1	RDA Volume Coverage Pattern for the scan strategy being used
15	Number of Elevation Cuts	INT*2	N/A	1 to 20	1	Maximum elevation cuts = 20
16	Elevation 1	Scaled Integer	Degrees	-1.0 to +45.0	.1	Elevation angle elevation 1
· ·						
35	Elevation 20	Scaled Integer	Degrees	-1.0 +60.0	.1	Elevation angle for elevation 20. NOTE: If the

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						PRECISION/	
Secretary   Secr	HALFWORD	FIELDNAME	TYPE	UNITS	RANGE	ACCURACY	REMARKS
Second   S							number of elevation
Second   S							cuts N, is less than
Served   S							20, then elevations
RDA Status							N+1 through 20 are
Bit 14=1   Reserved							
Bit 14=1   Reserved	36	RDA Status	Integer	N/A	0,1/Bit		
Bit 13=1   Reserved							*
Bit 12=1   Reserved							
Bit 11=1   Operate							
Bit 10=1   Spare   Reserved   Sit 9=1   Reserved   Sit 8-0   Spares							
Reserved   Rit 9=1   Reserved   Rit 8-0   Reserved   Rit 19=1   Reserved							-
Bit 8-0   Spares							
Bits 14-9=0   Indeterminate bits are zero, the SPG cannot determine the bits are zero, the SPG cannot determine the later in the special properties of the special propertie							Reserved
Bit 15=LSB   Where:   Where:						Bit 8-0	*
RDA Alarms						Bits 14-9=0	Indeterminate; if all
RDA Alarms							bits are zero, then
RDA Alarms							the SPG cannot
Note 1							determine the status
Bit 15=1	37	RDA Alarms	Integer	N/A		Bit 15=LSB	Where:
SPG cannot determine the alarms present					Note 1	Ri+ 15-1	Indotorminato: tho
Data   Transmission Enabled   Transmission						DIL 15-1	
Bit 14=1   Reserved							
Bit 14=1   Reserved     Bit 13=1   Reserved     Bit 12=1   Reserved     Bit 12=1   Reserved     Bit 11=1   Reserved     Bit 10=1   Reserved     Bit 10=1   Reserved     Bit 9=1   Reserved     Bit 8=1   Spare     Bits 6-0   Spares     Bits 15-7=0   No Alarms; if a bits are zero, t there are no al present     Transmission     Enabled     Bit 15=1   Spare     Bit 14=1   None     Bit 13=1   Reflectivity     Bit 13=1   Reflectivity     Bit 12=1   Velocity     Bit 11=1   Spectrum Wid     Bit 10-0   Spares     Bit 15=LSB   Where:							
Bit 13=1   Reserved     Bit 12=1   Reserved     Bit 12=1   Reserved     Bit 11=1   Reserved     Bit 10=1   Reserved     Bit 9=1   Reserved     Bit 8=1   Spare     Bit 7=1   Spare     Bits 6-0   Spares     Bits 15-7=0   No Alarms; if a bits are zero, there are no al present     Bit 15=1   Spare     Bit 15=1   Spare     Bit 14=1   None     Bit 13=1   Reflectivity     Bit 12=1   Velocity     Bit 11=1   Spectrum Wid     Bits 10-0   Spares     Bits 10-0   Spares     Bits 10-0   Spares     Bits 10-0   Spares     Bits 15=LSB   Where:						D;+ 1.4-1	
Bit 12=1   Reserved     Bit 11=1   Reserved     Bit 10=1   Reserved     Bit 9=1   Reserved     Bit 8=1   Spare     Bit 7=1   Spare     Bits 6-0   Spares     Bits 15-7=0   No Alarms; if a bits are zero, t there are no al present     Bit 15=1   Spare     Bit 15=1   Spare     Bit 15=1   Spare     Bit 14=1   None     Bit 13=1   Reflectivity     Bit 12=1   Velocity     Bit 11=1   Spectrum Wid     Bits 10-0   Spares     Bits 15=LSB   Where:     Bits 10-0   Spares     Bits 15=LSB   Where:     Bits 15=LSB   Where:     Bits 10-0   Spares     Bits 15=LSB   Where:							
Bit 11=1   Reserved     Bit 10=1   Reserved     Bit 9=1   Reserved     Bit 8=1   Spare     Bit 7=1   Spare     Bits 6-0   Spares     Bits 15-7=0   No Alarms; if a bits are zero, t there are no al present     Transmission   Enabled     Bit 15=1   Spare     Bit 15=1   Spare     Bit 14=1   None     Bit 13=1   Reflectivity     Bit 12=1   Velocity     Bit 11=1   Spectrum Wid     Bits 10-0   Spares     SPG   Operability     Operability     Bit 15=LSB   Where:     Bit 15=LSB   Where:     Bit 15=LSB   Where:							
Bit 10=1   Reserved							
Bit 9=1   Reserved							
Bit 8=1   Spare							
Bit 7=1   Spare							
Bits 6-0 Spares  Bits 15-7=0 No Alarms; if a bits are zero, t there are no al present  Bit 15=LSB Where:  Transmission Enabled  Bit 15=1 Spare  Bit 14=1 None  Bit 13=1 Reflectivity  Bit 12=1 Velocity  Bit 11=1 Spectrum Wid  Bits 10-0 Spares  SPG Operability  N/A 0,1/Bit Bit 15=LSB Where:							
Bits 15-7=0  No Alarms; if a bits are zero, t there are no al present  Bit 15=LSB  Where:  Transmission Enabled  Bit 15=1  Bit 15=1  Spare  Bit 14=1  None  Bit 13=1  Bit 12=1  Velocity  Bit 11=1  Spectrum Wid  Bits 10-0  Spares  SPG Operability  No Alarms; if a bits are zero, t there are no al present  Bit 15=LSB  Where:							
bits are zero, there are no al present  38 Data Integer N/A 0,1/Bit Bit 15=LSB Where:  Transmission Enabled  Bit 15=1 Spare  Bit 14=1 None  Bit 13=1 Reflectivity  Bit 12=1 Velocity  Bit 11=1 Spectrum Wid  Bits 10-0 Spares  39 SPG Operability  Integer N/A 0,1/Bit Bit 15=LSB Where:					1		
Data						Bits 15-7=0	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
Data							
38         Data Transmission Enabled         Integer         N/A         0,1/Bit         Bit 15=LSB         Where:           Bit 15=1         Spare           Bit 14=1         None           Bit 13=1         Reflectivity           Bit 12=1         Velocity           Bit 11=1         Spectrum Wid           Bits 10-0         Spares           39         SPG Operability         N/A         0,1/Bit         Bit 15=LSB         Where:							
Transmission Enabled         Bit 15=1         Spare           Bit 14=1         None           Bit 13=1         Reflectivity           Bit 12=1         Velocity           Bit 11=1         Spectrum Wid           Bits 10-0         Spares           39         SPG Operability         N/A         0,1/Bit         Bit 15=LSB         Where:	9.0	Data	T	NT/A	0.1/D:4	D'+ 15-I CD	
Bit 15=1   Spare	- 5 <b>0</b>	Transmission	Integer	IN/A	U,1/BIT	DI( 19=LSB	wnere:
Bit 14=1   None						Bit 15=1	Spare
Bit 13=1   Reflectivity							_
Bit 12=1   Velocity							
Bit 11=1 Spectrum Wide Bits 10-0 Spares  SPG Operability N/A 0,1/Bit Bit 15=LSB Where:							-
39 SPG Operability Integer N/A 0,1/Bit Bits 10-0 Spares Where:							Spectrum Width
39 SPG Integer N/A 0,1/Bit Bit 15=LSB Where:							
Operability	39	SPG	Integer	N/A	0,1/Bit		
i Dialus I I I I I			J -				
Bit 15=1 Loadshed						Bit 15=1	Loadshed

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					PRECISION/	
HALFWORD	FIELDNAME	TYPE	UNITS	RANGE	ACCURACY	REMARKS
					Bit 14=1	On-line
					Bit 13=1	Maintenance Action
						Required
					Bit 12=1	Maintenance Action
						Mandatory
					Bit 11=1	Commanded
						Shutdown
					Bits 10 to 0	Spares
40	SPG Alarms	Integer		N/A	Bit 15=LSB	Where:
					Bit 15=1	No Alarms
					Bit 14=1	Spare
					Bit 13=1	Spare
					Bit 12=1	SPG Control Task
						Failure
					Bit 11=1	Data Base Failure
					Bit 10=1	Spare
					Bit 9=1	SPG Input Buffer
						Loadshed
						(Wideband)
					Bit 8=1	Spare
					Bit 7=1	Product Storage
						Loadshed
					Bit 6=1	BDDS User Failure
					Bit 5=1	Spare
					Bit 4=1	Reserved
					Bit 3=1	Reserved
					Bit 2=1	Reserved
					Bit 1=1	Task Failure
					Bit 0=1	Media Failure
41	SPG Status	Integer	N/A	0,1/Bit	Bit 15=LSB	Where:
					Bit 15=1	Restart
					Bit 14=1	Operate
					Bit 13=1	Standby
					Bit 12=1	Spare
					Bit 11=1	Test Mode
					Bit 10-0	Spares
40	CDC	T	NT/A	0.1/D::	D:4 1 = T CD	3371
42	SPG	Integer	N/A	0,1/Bit	Bit 15=LSB	Where:
	Narrowband					
	Status					
		+	1		Bit 15=1	Commanded
					Dit 19-1	Disconnect
		+	1		Bit 14=1	Narrowband
					D10 14-1	TTALLOWDALIU

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HALFWORD	FIELDNAME	TYPE	UNITS	RANGE	ACCURACY	REMARKS
						Loadshed
					Bit 13-0	Spares
43	Reflectivity	Fixed	db/4	-792  to  +792	.25/	Reflectivity
	Calibration	Point,		(-198 dB to	1	Calibration
	Correction	Scaled		+198 dB)		Correction
		Integer				(difference from
						adaptation data)
44	Product	Integer	N/A	0,1/Bit	Bit 15=LSB	Where:
	Availability				Bit 15=1	Product Availability
					Bit 14=1	Degraded
					Bit 13=1	Availability
						Not Available
45-47						
48	RDA Build	Fixed	N/A	0 to 999,	N/A	RDA major and
	Number	Point,		Note 2		minor build version
		Scaled				information
		Integer				
49	RDA Channel	Integer	N/A	0,1,2	N/A	0 = Normal
	Number					1 = Reserved
						2 = Reserved
50-51	Reserved					Halfword 50 & 51
						are applicable to
						dial-up (Class II,
						Class IV, and Class
						V [RFC]) user only
52	Build Version	Scaled	N/A	10 to		SPG Build Version
		Integer		32767		

Note 1: RDA Alarms reflect the controlling channel. Note 2: For Legacy RDA systems, this value will be 0.

Figure 3-17. General Status Message (Sheet 2)

_	MSB	HALFWOR	<sup>2</sup> D	LSB				
		MESSAGE HEADER BLOCK						
		(see Figure 3-3)						
10		BLOCK DIVIDI	ER (-1)					
REQUEST								
11		LENGTH OF B	LOCK					
RESPONSE								
BLOCK		ERROR CODE	(MSW)					
12								
13		(LSW)						
14		SEQUENCE NU	MBER					
15		PRODUCT/MESSA	GE CODE					
16		ELEVATION A	NGLE					
17	VOLUME SCAN DATE							
18-19		VOLUME SCAN ST	ART TIME					
20-24		SPARES (7 HALF	WORDS)					

Figure 3-18. Request Response Message (Sheet 1)

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					PRECISION/	
HALFWORD	FIELDNAME	TYPE	UNITS	RANGE	ACCURACY	REMARKS
10	Block Divider	INT*2	N/A	-1	N/A	Integer -1, Block Divider
11	Length of Block	INT*2	Bytes	26	1	Number of bytes to follow
12-13	Error Code	Integer	N/A	0,1/Bit	Bit 31=LSB	Where:
-					Bit 0=1	No Such Message Code
					Bit 1=1	No Such Product Code
					Bit 2=1	Product Not Generated (Not Available in Data Base)
					Bit 3=1	One-Time Request Generation Process Faulted
					Bit 4=1	Narrowband Loadshed
					Bit 5=1	Illegal Request
					Bit 6=1	SPG Memory Loadshed
					Bit 7=1	SPG CPU Loadshed (Note 1)
					Bit 8=1	Unavailability of Slots (Real-Time, Replay or Customized)
					Bit 9=1	Failure (Task Failed)
					Bit 10=1	Unavailable (Task Not Loaded Upon Startup)
					Bit 11=1	Available Next Volume Scan
					Bit 12=1	Moment Disabled
					Bit 13	Bit 13 is Reserved and Not Applicable to Associated PUPS
					Bit 14	Spare
					Bit 15	Aborted Volume Scan (Note 2)
					Bit 16	Invalid Product Parameters
					Bit 17	Product Not Generated (Data Sequence Error) Note
					Bit 18	Task Failure (Self- Terminated)

HALFWORD	FIELDNAME	TYPE	UNITS	RANGE	PRECISION/ ACCURACY	REMARKS
					Bits 19-31	Spares
14	Sequence Number	INT*2	N/A	-13, 0 to 32767	1	Sequence number of request that caused response
15	Product/Mes sage Code	INT*2	N/A	-16 to -299, 16 to 299	N/A	Product/Message code as defined in Table II, that caused response
16	Elevation Angle	Scaled Integer	Degrees	-1.0 to +60.0	.1	Elevation angle of radar for requested product
17	Volume Scan Date	INT*2	Julian Date	1 to 32767	1	Modified Julian Date; integer number of days since Jan. 1, 1970
18-19	Volume Scan Start Time	INT*4	Seconds GMT	0 to 86399	1	Number of seconds after midnight, Greenwich Mean Time (GMT)
20-24	Spares					

Note 1: The SPG has not implemented the CPU Loadshed functionality that will generate an alarm. Note 2: The following conditions will cause ABORTED VOLUME SCAN: Unexpected Start of Volume Scan.

Note 3: Product Not Generated (Data Sequence Error) is caused when VCP number changes unexpectedly, Azimuth Tolerance Exceeded in the initial elevation cut of volume, RDA Elevation Number Changes Unexpectedly, or Start of Elevation Y Expected, But Start Of Elevation received. In addition, any sequence error encountered during task processing ...e.g. the task is not processing radial messages fast enough and its input buffers are lost at the expense of new input buffers.

Figure 3-18. Request Response Message (Sheet 2)

	MSB	HALFWORD LSB
	-	MESSAGE HEADER BLOCK
	_	(see Figure 3-3)
	10	BLOCK DIVIDER (-1)
	11	LENGTH OF BLOCK
REPEAT FOR	12	ALERT GROUP
EACH ALERT	13	ALERT CATEGORY
CATEGORY	14	NUMBER OF ALLOWABLE THRESHOLDS
(MAX = 41)	15	THRESHOLD 1
	•	•
	•	•
	•	•
	20	THRESHOLD 6
	21	PRODUCT ID

Figure 3-20. Alert Adaptation Parameters Message (Sheet 1)

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HALF WORD	FIELDNAME	ТҮРЕ	UNITS	RANGE	PRECISION/ ACCURACY	REMARKS
10	Block Divider	INT*2	N/A	-1	N/A	Integer value of -1, used to delineate the header from the Alert Adaptation Data Parameters
11	Length of Block	INT*2	Bytes	820	1	Number of bytes to follow from -1 divider to end of block
12	Alert Group	INT*2	N/A	0 to 3	1	1 = Grid Group 2 = Volume Group 3 = Forecast Group
13	Alert Category	INT*2	N/A	0 to 41	1	Alert category number as defined by Table IV
14	Number of Allowable Thresholds	INT*2	N/A	0 to 6	1	Parameter dependent threshold code that triggers alert (refer to Table IV)
15-20	Threshold Value	INT*2	-	-	-	Parameter dependent data value corresponding to the user defined threshold code (refer to Table LVIII in 2820003, Pt1)
21	Product Code	INT*2	N/A	0, 16 to 299	1	Product Code as defined in Table III for product alert pairing, with the following exceptions:  Product Code of 91 corresponds to SWR(43), SWV(44), SWW(45), and SWS(46);  Product code of 92 corresponds to SWR(43), SRR(55), SWR(43), SRR(55), SWW(45), and SWS(46).

NOTE: The SPG transmits the Alert Adaptation Parameters Message upon Narrowband link connection, or if any changes are mad to either Product Alert Pairing or Alert Thresholds. Zero in range denotes spares.

Figure 3-20. Alert Adaptation Parameters Message (Sheet 2)

MSB	HALFWORD LSB	_
	MESSAGE HEADER BLOCK	
	(see Figure 3-3)	
PRODUCT 10	(-1) BLOCK DIVIDER	
LIST		
MESSAGE 11	LENGTH OF BLOCK	
BLOCK		
12	NUMBER OF PRODUCTS	
13_	RESERVED	
REPEAT FOR 14	PRODUCT CODE	
EACH PRODUCT 15	ELEVATION	
16	PARAMETER 1	PRODUCT
17	PARAMETER 2	DEPENDENT
18	PARAMETER 3	(SEE TABLE X)
19	PARAMETER 4	
20	DISTRIBUTION CLASS	

Figure 3-21. Product List Message (Sheet 1)

HALF WORD	FIELDNAME	ТҮРЕ	UNITS	RANGE	PRECISION/ ACCURACY	REMARKS
10	Block Divider	INT*2	N/A	-1	N/A	Integer -1, block divider
11	Length of Block	INT*2	Bytes	4 to 8408	1	Number of bytes in block from -1 divider to end of the block.
12	Number of Products	INT*2	N/A	0 to 600	1	Number of Products on list
13	Reserved	-	-	-	-	Reserved for dial-up users
14	Product Code	INT*2	N/A	16 to 299	1	Internal TDWR SPG product code from Table III
15	Elevation	Scaled Integer	Degrees	-1.0 to +45.0	.1	Elevation of product
16	Parameter 1	-	-	-	-	Product dependent (Refer to Table X)
17	Parameter 2	-	-	-	-	Product dependent (Refer to Table X)
18	Parameter 3	-	-	-	-	Product dependent (Refer to Table X)
19	Parameter 4	-	-	-	-	Product dependent (Refer to Table X)
20	Distribution Class	INT*2	N/A	0 to 20	1	Distribution class for individual products:  0 = Available for one-time     product request  1 = Repeat every volume scan  2 = Repeat every other volume scan  9  9  20 = Repeat every  20th volume scan

Figure 3-21. Product List Message (Sheet 2)

Table X. Product List Message Parameter Definition

Product Name	Message		Parameter 1	Parameter 2	Parameter 3	Parameter 4
(see Note 1)	Code	Slice	(see Note 2)	(see Note 2)	(see Note 2)	(see Note 2)
Base Products	180-187	Elevation	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Composite Reflectivity	35-38	N/A	Mini-Volume No.	N/A	N/A	N/A
Digital Mesocyclone Detection	149	N/A	Mini-Volume No.	N/A	N/A	N/A
Echo Tops	41	N/A	Mini-Volume No.	N/A	N/A	N/A
Hail Index	59	N/A	Mini-Volume No.	N/A	N/A	N/A
Mesocyclone Detection	141	N/A	Mini-Volume No.	N/A	N/A	N/A
Storm Tracking Information	58	N/A	Mini-Volume No.	N/A	N/A	N/A
Tornado Vortex Signature	61	N/A	Mini-Volume No.	N/A	N/A	N/A
User Selectable Layer Reflectivity	137	N/A	Bottom Altitude of Layer	Top Altitude of Layer	N/A	N/A
Velocity Azimuth Display	84	Altitude	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Vertically Integrated Liquid	57	N/A	Mini-Volume No.	N/A	N/A	N/A

Note l: The units, range and accuracy/precision for the above parameters are identical to the parameters listed in Table II- -A. Products that are completely defined by (message) product code (Slice and Parameters 1- 4 are N/A).

Note 2: For Parameters 1-4, if parameter is N/A, the value is undefined.

MSB HALFWORD LSB	
Message	
Header	
Block	
(See Figure 3-3)	
Block Divider (-1)	
Block ID	
Spare	
Compression Type	
Decompressed Size (MSW)	
Decompressed Size (LSW)	
Data Packets	See Figures 3-7
	through 3-15c

Field Name	Туре	Units	Range	Accuracy/Pr ecision	Remarks
Block Divider	INT*2	N/A	-1	N/A	Integer value of -1 used to delineate this block from the Message Header block
Block ID	INT*2	N/A	4	N/A	Value of 4 indicates Environmental Data from 40-km RUC Model. See Note 1.
Spare	INT*2	N/A	N/A	N/A	Spare
Compression Type	INT*2	N/A	0 to 2	1	0 = No compression, 1 = bzip2, 2 = zlib
Decompressed Size	INT*4	Bytes	0 to 2147483647	1/1	Size of decompressed data packets.

Note 1. For messages containing data from a source external to SPG (as indicated by Message Code 5 in Message Header), Block ID indicates specific type of External Data.

Figure 3-23. External Data Message

	MSB	HALFWORD	LSB			
		Message				
		Header				
		Block				
	(See Figure 3-3)					
	Block Divider (-1)					
		Block ID (1)				
		Version Number				
		Block Length				
		AWIPS Site ID (MSW)				
		AWIPS Site ID (LSW)				
		Radar ID (MSW)				
		Radar ID (LSW)				
		Observation Time: Year				
	(	Observation Time: Month				
		Observation Time: Day				
	Observation Time: Hour					
	Observation Time: Minute					
	Observation Time: Second					
		Generation Time: Year				
	(	Generation Time: Month				
		Generation Time: Day				
		Generation Time: Hour				
	(	Generation Time: Minute				
	(	Generation Time: Second				
		No. Rows (in Bias Table)				
		ole Row n: Memory Span (N				
REPEAT		ole Row n: Memory Span (I				
		ole Row n: No. G-R Pairs (M				
FOR		ble Row n: No. G-R Pairs (I	/			
	Bias T	able Row n: Avg. Gage (MS	SW)			
EACH	Bias 7	Cable Row n: Avg. Gage (LS	W)			
		able Row n: Avg. Radar (MS				
ROW		able Row n: Avg. Radar (LS	·			
		e Row n: Mean Field Bias (	,			
(MEMORY SPAN)		le Row n: Mean Field Bias (	(LSW)			

Figure 3-25. Bias Table Message (Sheet 1)

Field Name	Type	Units	Range	Acc/Prec	Remarks
Block Divider	INT*2	N/A	-1	N/A	Integer value of -1 used to delineate this block from the Message Header block
Block ID	INT*2	N/A	1	N/A	Value of 1 indicates "Bias Table" type of Environmental Data <sup>1</sup>
Version Number	INT*2	N/A	0 to 99	1	Initial=0, then 1, 2
Block Length	INT*2	N/A	70 to 270	1	Length of block in bytes (from -1 divider to end of block)
AWIPS Site ID (MSW)/ AWIPS Site ID (LSW)	CHAR*4	N/A	N/A	N/A	ID of AWIPS site (RFC or WFO) from which message originates (leading blank +3 chars)
Radar ID (MSW) / Radar ID (LSW)	CHAR*4	N/A	N/A	N/A	ID of destination radar (leading blank +3 chars)
Observation Time: Year	INT*2	N/A	1970-2099	1	Ending date/time of Gage-Radar accum. period in Bias Table
Observation Time: Month	INT*2	N/A	1-12	1	
Observation Time: Day	INT*2	N/A	1-31	1	
Observation Time: Hour	INT*2	N/A	0-23	1	
Observation Time: Minute	INT*2	N/A	0-59	1	
Observation Time: Second	INT*2	N/A	0-59	1	
Generation Time: Year	INT*2	N/A	1970-2099	1	Date/time of generation of Bias Table (will be later than Obs.time)
Generation Time: Month	INT*2	N/A	1-12	1	"
Generation Time: Day	INT*2	N/A	1-31	1	
Generation Time: Hour	INT*2	N/A	0-23	1	"
Generation Time: Minute	INT*2	N/A	0-59	1	"
Generation Time: Second	INT*2	N/A	0-59	1	"
No. Rows (in Table)	INT*2	N/A	2-12	1	No. Memory Spans evaluated (default: 10)

Field Name	Туре	Units	Range	Acc/Prec	Remarks
Memory Span (MSW) / Memory Span (LSW)	Log, then Scaled Int <sup>2</sup>	Hours	.001 - 1. x 10**7	.001	Period of Gage-Radar Analysis
No. G-R Pairs (MSW) / No. G-R Pairs (LSW)	Scaled Integer	N/A	.001 - 1. x 10**5	.001	Effective sample size (No. Gage-Radar Pairs)
Avg. Gage (MSW) / Avg. Gage (LSW)	Scaled Integer	mm	0.00-254.00	.001	Avg. Hourly Gage Accum.
Avg. Radar (MSW) / Avg. Radar (LSW)	Scaled Integer	mm	0.00-254.00	.001	Avg. Hourly Radar Accum.
Bias (MSW) / Bias (LSW)	Scaled Integer	N/A	.01-100.00	.001	Mean-field Bias (Avg. Gage/Avg. Radar ratio)

 $<sup>^1</sup>$  For messages containing Environmental Data from external source to SPG (as indicated by Message Code 15 in Message Header), Message Block ID indicates specific type of Environmental Data.

Figure 3-25. Bias Table Message (Sheet 2)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> First take (natural) logarithm, then scale by 1000.

## APPENDIX A. GLOSSARY

Acmonsmal	
Acronym/ Abbreviation	Description
A	Description Address Sequence
	•
ABM	Asynchronous Balanced Mode
ACCUM	Accumulation
ADAPT	Adaptation
ADM	Asynchronous Disconnect Mode
ALT	Altitude
ANSI	American National Standards Institute
ARO	Asynchronous Respond Opportunity
ASCII	American Standard Code for Information Interchange
AWIPS	Advanced Weather Interactive Processing System
AZ	Azimuth
BA	Balanced, Asynchronous Balanced Mode (Same as ABM)
Beg	Beginning
Bit	Binary Digit
Block	A related set of bytes containing control information or
	data. A block is a component of a message.
bps	Bits per second
C	Control Sequence
Cal	Calibration
CALIB	Calibration
CCITT	Consultative Committee International Telephone and
00111	Telegraph
Char	Character
CKT	Circuit
CLIN	Contract Line Item Number
Comp	Composite
Const	Constant
CPC	Computer Program Component
CPCI	Computer Program Configuration Item
CPU	Central Processor Unit
CRC	Cyclical Redundancy Checking
dBA	10 log (Rainfall Accumulation/mm)
dBZ	
	Reflectivity, in decibels
DCE	Data Circuit-Terminating Equipment
deg	Degree
Dig	Digital
Dir	Direction
DISC	Disconnect
DM	Disconnected Mode
DTE	Data Terminal Equipment
EIA	Electronic Industries Association
Err	Error
Ext	External
F or Flag	Flag Sequence

Acronym/	
Abbreviation	Description
FCS	Frame Check Sequence
	•
Flg Frame	Flag
Frame	A segment of a bit stream bounded by a uniquely
	recognizable bit sequence and containing a specified
EDMD	number of bits or bytes of data.
FRMR	Frame Reject
GFS	General Format Specifier
GMT	Greenwich Mean Time
Halfword	Two bytes (16 bits)
Header	A set of bits or bytes contained in a bounded segment of
	information which provides a label or control
	information to the remaining contents of the segment.
Hgt	Height
Hword	Halfword (16 bits)
I	Information
ICD	Interface Control Document
ID	Identification
INT*2	One halfword of integer data in standard 2' s
	compliment format
INT*4	One fullword (32 bits) of integer data in standard 2's
	compliment format
Int	Integer
Integ	Integrated
Integer	Bit stream of 1s and 0s, represented as an integer
	number, not formatted in 2's compliment format (i.e.,
	32,768 integer code would represent setting the MSB of
	a halfword).
ISO	International Organization for Standardization
kg	Kilogram
km	Kilometer
kts	Knots
LAPB	Link Access Procedure, Balanced
LCG	Logical Channel Group
LDS	Logically Disconnected State
LFM	Limited Fine Mesh
Liq	Liquid
LSB	Least Significant Bit
LSW	Least Significant Word
MAX	Maximum
Message	The complete set of information transported from the
Micosage	source to the destination. A message may be a product,
	product request, data, data request, or TDWR SPG
	control information.
MSB	
	Most Significant Bit
Msg	Message
MSL	Mean Sea Level
MSW	Most Significant Word
NMI	Nautical Mile
N/A	Not Applicable

Acronym/	
Abbreviation	Description
Neg	Negative
NEXRAD	Next Generation Weather Radar
Num	Number
NTR	NEXRAD Technical Requirements
OP	Operation
OS	Operating System
OSI	Open Systems Interconnection
PDB	Product Description Block
Pos	Positive
Prec	Precipitation
Prob	Probability
Product	A collection of information that is self contained and
110000	provides a complete representation of a graphical image
	or an alphanumeric message.
PUP	Principal User Processor Group
PVC	Permanent Virtual Circuit
RAD	Radial
RCM	Radar Coded Message
RDA	Radar Data Acquisition Group
Real*4	One fullword (32 bits) of real data, where the MSB is the
	Sign-bit, followed by a 7 bit Exponent and a 24 bit
	Mantissa
Reflect	Reflectivity
RES	Resolution
RFC	River Forecast Center
RLE	Run Length Encoded
RMS	Root Mean Square
RNR	Receiver Not Ready
RPG	Radar Product Generation Group
RPGOP	Radar Product Generator Operational Position
RR	Receiver Ready
SABM	Set Asynchronous Balanced Mode
Scaled Integer	Integer values with an assumed decimal point whose
9	position is defined by the precision of the item
SCN	Specification Change Notice
Sec	Second
sq	Square
Spd	Speed
SPG	Supplemental Products Generator
SPR	Software Problem Report
SR	Signaling Rate Selector
SW	Spectrum Width
SWE	Snow Water Equivalent
SWP	Severe Weather Probability
TAB	Tabular
TDWR	Terminal Doppler Weather Radar
TM	Test Mode
Turb	Turbulence

Acronym/ Abbreviation	Description
UCP	Unit Control Position
UI	Unnumbered Frame
VAD	Velocity Azimuth Display
Var	Variation
Vel	Velocity
VIL	Vertically Integrated Liquid
Wd	Width

# APPENDIX C. DATA TRANSMISSION CHARACTERISTICS Table XI. Application Data Sizes

Typical M	Typical Maximum Application Data Size Estimates (Note 1)						
Product	Mnemonic	Message Size All VCPs					
Code							
0	Prod. Req.	For RPS list = $.05 \times \#$ of prod on list. For OTR = $.05$					
2	GSM	.124					
3	Request	.048					
	Resp.						
4	Max.	.028					
	Connect						
6	Alert Adapt.	.064					
7	n/a						
8	Prod. List	.026 + (.014 x # of prod on list)					
9	n/a						
11	Sign On	.036					
12	n/a						
13	Prod. Req.	.05					
	Cancel						
14	n/a						

NOTE 1: All product sizes are estimated maximum based on Build 4.0 testing and sizes are given in Kilobytes where (1 Kilobyte = 1024 bytes).

Note: TDWR SPG Product Sizes in tables XII and XII were derived from the radar site TBWI and therefore elevation angles listed pertain to that site. VCP80 sizes are based on data from the evening of July 27, 2005 which included widespread severe storms containing damaging microburst's. VCP90 sizes are based on data from the afternoon of August 12, 2008 which consisted of widespread warm season clear air radar returns.

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### Table XII. TDWR VCP80 SPG Product Size

			VCP80 SPG Product Size			
Product Code	Product Mnemonic	Elevation	Min Size (Bytes)	Max Size (Bytes)	Average Size (Bytes)	Median Size (Bytes)
180	DR	0.5	71322	104076	87475	90043
180	DR	1.0	56313	95115	77246	82107
180	DR	3.3	36574	90635	69190	71055
180	DR	6.6	30208	99033	71371	73695
180	DR	10.0	22918	92094	62499	62504
180	DR	13.4	20857	79418	55863	63210
180	DR	19.4	12832	59074	40411	48671
180	DR	28.1	8700	41852	29349	37104
180	DR	42.0	4893	32091	21093	27792
181	R	0.5	23070	65442	45953	49388
181	R	1.0	21146	67026	45420	47826
181	R	3.3	18742	73636	49093	51618
181	R	6.6	17836	79574	52453	54629
181	R	10.0	16784	76382	46952	46546
181	R	13.4	16746	68058	42905	44105
181	R	19.4	12406	49036	31456	35459
181	R	28.1	9516	35540	23074	25154
181	R	42.0	7350	26108	17219	18487
182	DV	0.5	61752	79659	73892	75199
182	DV	1.0	50389	68306	58108	56657
182	DV	3.3	34836	65854	52480	52857
182	DV	6.6	28542	72900	53597	52875
182	DV	10.0	22117	65269	47640	47595
182	DV	13.4	19439	56789	40748	43392
182	DV	19.4	12381	44298	29856	33095
182	DV	28.1	8650	34819	22277	25686
182	DV	42.0	4722	30605	15836	19015
183	V	0.5	40490	67362	52432	50502
183	V	1.0	33640	49914	41131	38833
183	V	3.3	32414	44990	37888	37938
183	V	6.6	33542	41018	36566	36959
183	V	10.0	31492	38362	34611	34971
183	V	13.4	26504	34562	30567	30938
183	V	19.4	19818	26752	22688	21767
183	V	28.1	14732	22238	17094	16010
183	V	42.0	10618	20150	13156	12632
185	SW	0.5	54868	78596	70421	71454
185	SW	1.0	44486	65590	54826	53814
185	SW	3.3	44628	58476	51743	52048
185	SW	6.6	40312	59116	49187	48676
185	SW	10.0	35112	55206	45485	44160
185	SW	13.4	33760	50068	40562	38944
185	SW	19.4	23870	39038	29749	28342
185	SW	28.1	16938	29320	21376	19591
185	SW	42.0	11770	23540	15678	14741
186	DR	0.6	62175	113545	90167	92418
187	R	0.6	53138	80006	67981	70908
101	11	0.0	99190	30000	01901	10000

31	USP	520	16428	6230	520
32	DHR	26211	37925	32402	32303
33	HSR	16018	22756	19441	19382
35	CR	19248	25288	23159	23006
36	CR	4852	9402	8153	8284
37	CR	20582	28892	25755	25784
38	CR	5130	9706	8383	8480
41	ET	1606	1920	1806	1806
48	VWP	5106	12396	10831	12215
57	VIL	1412	1802	1609	1596
58	STI	2970	15116	9986	10047
59	HI	3556	11124	8119	8323
61	TVS	2112	3028	2172	2112
62	SS	4926	9710	6959	6852
78	OHP	5734	12594	10091	11054
79	THP	6338	13710	10582	10464
80	STP	8448	12772	11048	11618
81	DPA	2572	11972	8176	8960
82	SPD	2834	2834	2834	2834
84	VAD	2008	6322	4689	5285
137	ULR	15920	21920	18538	17403
138	DSP	898	21865	13113	14990
141	MD	120	1642	413	120
149	DMD	784	3416	1795	1821

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## Table XIII. TDWR VCP90 SPG Product Size

		l able XIII. II	VOI		Average		
Product	Product		Min Size	Max Size	Size	Median Size	
Code	Mnemonic	Elevation	(Bytes)	(Bytes)	(Bytes)	(Bytes)	
180	DR	0.5	59295	81896	69372	70174	
180	DR	1.0	50070	67681	59404	61722	
180	DR	3.3	27570	51896	42143	43687	
180	DR	6.1	32660	42073	38126	40271	
180	DR	11.0	27287	32508	30739	30793	
180	DR	15.9	17916	22400	20561	20836	
180	DR	20.8	14015	17870	16207	16406	
180	DR	25.7	10932	14324	12871	13057	
180	DR	30.6	8568	11668	10339	10522	
180	DR	35.5	7032	9727	8552	8744	
180	DR	40.4	5878	8611	7432	7579	
180	DR	45.3	5543	7864	6886	7089	
180	DR	50.2	5253	7492	6536	6722	
180	DR	55.1	5308	7263	6366	6537	
180	DR	60.0	6265	7991	7224	7337	
181	R	0.5	17302	20186	18685	19022	
181	R	1.0	17290	18846	18096	18162	
181	R	3.3	17028	17978	17333	17288	
181	R	6.1	16902	17564	17159	17140	
181	R	11.0	16844	17252	16976	16960	
181	R	15.9	14572	14844	14666	14666	
181	R	20.8	12396	12470	12412	12410	
181	R	25.7	10238	10372	10276	10272	
181	R	30.6	9510	9550	9519	9518	
181	R	35.5	8076	8170	8102	8098	
181	R	40.4	8070	8098	8074	8074	
181	R	45.3	7352	7404	7369	7368	
181	R	50.2	6632	6744	6658	6656	
181	R R	55.1 60.0	6630 7302	6698 7412	6655 7365	6654 7366	
181 182	DV	0.5	54764	76785	64827	66024	
182	DV	1.0	42848	62852	54083	56129	
182	DV	3.3	23999	44560	36398	37191	
182	DV	6.1	29816	36793	33839	34982	
182	DV	11.0	24515	28462	27043	26866	
182	DV	15.9	16258	19416	18420	18373	
182	DV	20.8	12787	15504	14445	14385	
182	DV	25.7	10146	12421	11612	11584	
182	DV	30.6	7955	9980	9285	9348	
182	DV	35.5	6414	8316	7574	7636	
182	DV	40.4	5380	7306	6565	6651	
182	DV	45.3	5242	6609	6047	6112	
182	DV	50.2	4906	6224	5706	5735	
182	DV	55.1	4884	6060	5543	5576	

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Product Code	Product Mnemonic	Elevation	Min Size (Bytes)	Max Size (Bytes)	Average Size (Bytes)	Median Size (Bytes)
182	DV	60.0	5521	6637	6173	6164
183	V	0.5	53698	80910	74368	74780
183	V	1.0	38432	61480	54735	55946
183	V	3.3	32480	46866	40867	42048
183	V	6.1	34316	38484	36592	36656
183	V	11.0	30738	35784	33514	34116
183	V	15.9	24004	27364	25599	25682
183	V	20.8	19270	21944	20649	20658
183	V	25.7	16064	18200	17080	17054
183	V	30.6	13870	15574	14657	14580
183	V	35.5	12044	13790	12905	12896
183	V	40.4	10972	12426	11706	11663
183	V	45.3	10164	11544	10931	10868
183	V	50.2	9786	11090	10410	10328
183	V	55.1	9280	10550	9921	9832
183	V	60.0	9306	10728	10028	10012
185	SW	0.5	66384	88760	80230	80930
185	SW	1.0	53088	72190	65268	68158
185	SW	3.3	37848	58978	50344	51864
185	SW	6.1	42322	48572	45362	45558
185	SW	11.0	36568	41218	39453	39836
185	SW	15.9	28012	31804	30434	30450
185	SW	20.8	22538	25778	24326	24272
185	SW	25.7	18646	21312	20166	20162
185	SW	30.6	15700	18424	17332	17412
185	SW	35.5	13610	16354	15149	15276
185	SW	40.4	12278	14872	13613	13693
185	SW	45.3	11524	13562	12580	12614
185	SW	50.2	10846	12666	11891	11928
185	SW	55.1	10480	12168	11350	11402
185	SW	60.0	11240	12474	11866	11856
186	DR	0.6	37727	51372	45812	46156
187	R	0.6	36650	38256	37422	37594
31	USP		520	520	520	520
32	DHR		19662	24161	22637	23069
33	HSR		11798	14496	13582	13842
35	CR		16526	17600	17169	17202
36	CR		4536	4804	4695	4702
37	CR		16610	17896	17393	17502
38	CR		4570	4900	4762	4766
41	ET		1358	1498	1437	1440
48	VWP		8278	9094	8754	8962
57	VIL		1322	1362	1336	1338
58	STI		1362	1362	1362	1362
59	HI		1566	1566	1566	1566

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					Average	
Product	Product		Min Size	Max Size	Size	Median Size
Code	Mnemonic	Elevation	(Bytes)	(Bytes)	(Bytes)	(Bytes)
61	TVS		2112	2112	2112	2112
62	SS		3574	3574	3574	3574
78	OHP		8448	8448	8448	8448
79	THP		6226	6226	6226	6226
80	STP		8448	8448	8448	8448
81	DPA		2572	2572	2572	2572
82	SPD		2834	2834	2834	2834
84	VAD		1810	3218	2427	2402
137	ULR		14154	21518	19037	19190
138	DSP		877	918	887	887
141	MD		120	120	120	120
149	DMD		780	780	780	780

#### APPENDIX D. PRODUCT DATA COMPRESSION USING BZIP2

In order to decompress products having been compressed using bzip2, the libbzip2 library, version 1.0.1 or higher, is required. The source code can be found at the official home page (URL): <a href="http://sources.redhat.com/bzip2">http://sources.redhat.com/bzip2</a>. This web site contains complete instructions on building the libbzip2 library on a wide range of computer architectures and operating systems. Detailed documentation of the various library functions is also provided.

Within libbzip2, the library function that should be used to decompress the data is:

BZ2\_bzBuffToBuffDecompress( char \*dest, unsigned intdestLen, char \*source, unsigned intsourceLen, intsmall, int verbosity).

The destination buffer "dest" holds the decompressed product. The destination buffer size "destLen" must be at least as large as the sum of the Message Header block, Product Description block and the compressed product data size given by the Product Dependent Parameters (see Table V). The source "source" points to the compressed product data immediately following the Product Description block. The source length "sourceLen" is the total product size (defined in the Message Header block), less the size of the Message Header and Product Description blocks. Depending on the architecture, "small" can either be 0 (normal case) or non-zero. By specifying a non-zero value for "small", the library requires less memory utilization at the expense of increased decompression time. The verbosity level can take on any value from 0 to 4 inclusive with higher values denoting greater verbosity.

After the product is decompressed, the products Message Header and Product Description blocks can be prepended to the decompressed product data.

#### APPENDIX E. GENERIC PRODUCT FORMAT

The Generic Product Format is designed to be a flexible, platform independent data format wherein the information describing the data is contained in the data itself. Information for each product that typically has been included in this interface control document such as the parameter's definition, type, range, precision and scaling, is encoded in the data structures defined in this appendix. The first item within the descrialized data will be the Product Description data structure (for packet 28 data) or the External Data Description data structure (for packet 29 data). The Product Description data structure is defined in Figure E-1. The External Data Description data structure is defined in Figure E-1b. Additional product data is determined by the values of "Parameter List" and "Component List". The Parameter List is defined in Figure E-2. The possible Component List data structures are defined in Figures E-3 through E-11.

The following conventions will be used for describing data structure element types:

Byte/Char One byte (8 bits)

INT\*2 2 byte, signed integer data

INT\*4 4 byte, signed integer data

UINT\*4 4 byte, unsigned integer data

REAL\*4 4 byte, floating point data adhering to IEEE-754-1985 standard

String NULL (0) terminated array of ASCII coded characters, each character occupying 1 byte

Pointer Contains the address of a data item. Size is architecture dependent.

NAME
DESCRIPTION
CODE
TYPE
GENERATION TIME
RADAR NAME
RADAR LATITUDE
RADAR LONGITUDE
RADAR HEIGHT
VOLUME SCAN START TIME
ELEVATION SCAN START TIME
ELEVATION ANGLE
VOLUME SCAN NUMBER
OPERATIONAL MODE
VOLUME COVERAGE PATTERN
ELEVATION NUMBER
SPARE
SPARE
NUMBER OF PARAMETERS
PARAMETER LIST
NUMBER OF COMPONENTS
COMPONENT LIST

Figure E-1. Product Description Data Structure (Sheet 1)

FIELD NAME	TYPE	UNITS	RANGE	PRECISION/ ACCURACY	REMARKS
Name	String	N/A	N/A	N/A	Product name
Description	String	N/A	N/A	N/A	Product description (may contain version information)
Code	INT*4	N/A	See Table II	N/A	Product code
Type	INT*4	N/A	1 to 7	1/1	1=Volume, 2=Elevation, 3=Time, 4=On Demand, 5=On Request, 6=Radial, 7=External
Generation Time	UINT*4	Seconds	0 to 4294967295	1/0.5	Product generation time. See Note 1.
Radar Name	String	N/A	N/A	N/A	Null or empty string indicates the radar name is not applicable
Radar Latitude	REAL*4	Degrees	-90.0 to +90.0	N/A	Only applicable if radar name specified.
Radar Longitude	REAL*4	Degrees	-180.0 to +180.0	N/A	Only applicable if radar name specified.
Radar Height	REAL*4	Meters	30 to 3350	N/A	Meters above mean sea level.
Volume Scan Start Time	UINT*4	Seconds	0 to 4294967295	1/0.5	Volume scan start time. See Note 1.
Elevation Scan Start Time	UINT*4	Seconds	0 to 4294967295	1/0.5	Used only if type is equal to 2. See Note 1.
Elevation Angle	REAL*4	Degrees	-1.0 to +45.0	N/A	Angle of elevation scan
Volume Scan Number	INT*4	N/A	1 to 80	N/A	Counter, recycles to 1 after 80 volume scans.
Operational Mode	INT*2	N/A	1 to 3	N/A	1=Test, 2=Clear Air, 3=Precipitation
Volume Coverage Pattern	INT*2	N/A	0 to 999	N/A	Volume coverage pattern (VCP)

FIELD NAME	TYPE	UNITS	RANGE	PRECISION/ ACCURACY	REMARKS
					number
Elevation Number	INT*2	N/A	1 to 20	N/A	Elevation number within the VCP. Only used if type is equal to 2.
Spare	INT*2	N/A	N/A	N/A	Spare (reserved for future compression type)
Spare	INT*4	N/A	N/A	N/A	Spare (reserved for future decompressed size)
Number of Parameters	INT*4	N/A	0 to 1000	N/A	Number of product specific parameters
Parameter List	Pointer to Structure	N/A	N/A	N/A	See Note 2
Number of Components	INT*4	N/A	0 to 1000	N/A	Number of product specific components
Component List	Pointer to Structure	N/A	N/A	N/A	See Note 3

Figure E-1. Product Description Data Structure (Sheet 2)

**Note 1.** Specified in number of seconds elapsed since midnight GMT January 1, 1970 (Unix Time). **Note 2.** Product Parameter data structure defined in Figure E-2.

**Note 3.** When the product contains multiple detected events, this is an array of pointers to Event Component data structures (see Figure E-10). A product can have any number of events. If there is only one event, this is an array of pointers, each of which points to one of the following product component structure types: Radial Component (Figure E-3), Grid Component (Figure E-5), Area Component (Figure E-6), Text Component (Figure E-8), or Table Component (Figure E-9). A product can have any number of components of mixed types.

Figure E-1b. External Data Description Data Structure (Sheet 1)

FIELD NAME	TYPE	UNITS	RANGE	PRECISION/ ACCURACY	REMARKS
Name	String	N/A	N/A	N/A	Product name
Description	String	N/A	N/A	N/A	Product description (may contain version information)
Code	INT*4	N/A	See Table II	N/A	Product code
Type	INT*4	N/A	7	1/1	Product type = External
Generation Time	UINT*4	Seconds	0 to 429496729 5	1/0.5	Product generation time. See Note 1.
Spare	INT*4	N/A	N/A	N/A	Spare
Spare	INT*4	N/A	N/A	N/A	Spare
Spare	INT*2	N/A	N/A	N/A	Spare
Spare	INT*2	N/A	N/A	N/A	Spare (reserved for future compression type)
Spare	INT*4	N/A	N/A	N/A	Spare (reserved for future decompressed size)
Number of Parameters	INT*4	N/A	0 to 1000	N/A	Number of product specific parameters
Parameter List	Pointer to Structure	N/A	N/A	N/A	See Note 2
Number of Components	INT*4	N/A	0 to 1000	N/A	Number of product specific components
Component List	Pointer to Structure	N/A	N/A	N/A	See Note 3

Figure E-1b. External Data Description Data Structure (Sheet 2)

Note 1. Specified in number of seconds elapsed since midnight GMT January 1, 1970 (Unix Time).

Note 2. Product Parameter data structure defined in Figure E-2.

**Note 3.** When the product contains multiple detected events, this is an array of pointers to Event Component data structures (see Figure E-10). A product can have any number of events. If there is only one event, this is an array of pointers, each of which points to one of the following product component structure types: Radial Component (Figure E-3), Grid Component (Figure E-5), Area Component (Figure E-6), Text Component (Figure E-8), or Table Component (Figure E-9). A product can have any number of components of mixed types.

PARAMETER ID	
PARAMETER ATTRIBUTES	

Figure E-2. Product Parameter Data Structure (Sheet 1)

FIELD	TYPE	UNITS	RANGE	PRECISION/	REMARKS
NAME				ACCURACY	
Parameter ID	String	N/A	N/A	N/A	Parameter identifier
Parameter Attributes	String	N/A	N/A	N/A	See Notes 1, 2.

Figure E-2. Product Parameter Data Structure (Sheet 2)

#### **Note 1.** Format description of the ASCII-text parameter attributes:

1. The attributes are represented by an ASCII string. The string consists of a number of sections terminated by ";", each of which specifies an applicable attribute. ";" after the last section is optional. Each section must be in the form of "attribute name = attribute description" where "attribute name" must be one of the following: "name", "type", "unit", "range", "value", "default", "accuracy", "description", "conversion" and "exception". The attribute name is case-insensitive. That is, for example, "name", "Name" and "NAME" are all valid and identical. "attribute description" is a character string that describes the value of the attribute as explained in the following.

#### 2. Attribute description:

"name": The name of the parameter. An example is "name = 2D feature altitude".

"type": One of the following type names: "int", "short", "byte" (4-byte, 2-byte and 1-byte integer respectively), "bit" (1-bit data), "float", "double" (4-byte and 8-byte IEEE floating point numbers respectively), "string" (ASCII character string), "unit", "ushort" and "ubyte" (unsigned versions of int, short and byte). An example is "type = int". If type is not specified, "int" is assumed. The type name is case-insensitive.

"unit": The physical unit of the data value. Standard unit names are to be defined. Examples are "unit = meter" and "unit = percent".

"range": The set of all valid values for the parameter. The range can be specified with one of the following three formats:

a. Single interval specification defined by "[min, max]" where "min" and "max" are respectively the minimum and maximum values. "[" and "]" can be replaced by "(" and ")" respectively if the boundary is not inclusive. Unlimited boundary is specified by "-". Examples are "range = [1, 2]", "range = (1, 2]", "range = [1, -)", "range = [A, Z]" (character string type), and "range = (-, -)".

- b. A list of valid values:  $\{v1, v2, ...\}$ . Examples are "range =  $\{1, 2, 3\}$ " and "range =  $\{\text{reflectivity, velocity, spectrum width}\}$ .
- c. A named method that checks the range. The method name is enclosed by "<" and ">". The method must be described elsewhere.

"value" and "default": A value or a list of values separated by ",". Examples are "value = 1", "value = 1.0, 2., 3.0" and "value = Yes, No".

"accuracy": The accuracy of the data. [max\_error] is used for the absolute maximum error and (max\_error) for the relative maximum error.

"description": A text description of the data.

"conversion": The way to convert binary data stored externally. The conversion can be specified with one of the following formats:

- a. Format [scale, offset] is used for scale-offset type of conversion: value = data \* scale + offset. An example is "conversion = [2., 64.]".
- b. Format {valueMap, data1, value1, data2, value2, ...} for data mapping conversions. Where "valueMap" is a reserved key word. "data1", "data2" ... are the data and "value1", "value2" ... are the values to convert to. An example is "conversion = {valueMap, 1, -5., 2, 0., 3, 50., 4, 100.}".
- c. Format <method> is used for named conversion method. The method must be described elsewhere.

Elements of binary data array are assumed to be stored one after another in the local byte order for types other than "bit" and "string". For type "bit", we assume that the elements are stored in a byte array each of which holds 8 elements. The first bit element is stored in the left-most bit in the bytes. For type "string", elements are null-terminated strings and stored one after another with the null terminator.

"exception": A list of the exceptional data values and their meanings. An example is "exception = 0, below threshold, 1, missing data". Standard vocabulary for describing exceptional values needs to be established in the future.

3. When characters ";", "=" and "," are used for formatting purpose, characters "space", "tab" and "line return" surrounding them are insignificant. That is, for example, "name = short", "name=short" and "name = short" are all identical. Non-formatting use of ";" and "," are allowed if no ambiguity is introduced. In case of ambiguity, "\" can be used in front of characters ";" and "," to indicate that they are not interpreted as formatting characters. The part of "Attribute description" is case-sensitive except otherwise specified.

#### Note 2.

Component parameters are either definitive or descriptive. Definitive component parameters are required and predefined. Examples are:

The dimension size (number of grid points) for each dimension.

The location of the origin and the coordinate orientation for certain grids.

For equally spaced grid, the step size for each dimension.

The altitude of a geo-area if the altitude is relevant.

The definitive component parameters must be predefined so the user of the product can interpret and display the data product-independently.

Descriptive component parameters, on the other hand, provide additional descriptions of the product component. Examples are the data field name, the intensity of the event, the forecast position and so on.

RADIAL COMPONENT TYPE (=1)
LATITUDE
LONGITUDE
NUMBER OF COMPONENT PARAMETERS
COMPONENT PARAMETER LIST
NUMBER OF RADIALS
RADIAL DATA

Figure E-3. Radial Component Data Structure (Sheet 1)

FIELD NAME	TYPE	UNITS	RANGE	PRECISION/ ACCURACY	REMARKS
Radial	INT*4	N/A	1	N/A	Radial
Component					component
Type					type
Latitude	REAL*4	Degrees	-90.0 to +90.0	N/A	Latitude
					location of
					center of
					radar
					elevation
					sweep
Longitude	REAL*4	Degrees	-180.0 to	N/A	Longitude
			+180.0		location of
					center of
					radar
					elevation
					sweep
Number of	INT*4	N/A	1 to 1000	N/A	Number of
Component					component
Parameters					parameters
Component	Pointer to	N/A	N/A	N/A	See Figure E-
Parameter	Structure				2
List					
Number of	INT*4	N/A	0 to 800	N/A	Number of
Radials					radials in a
					radar
					elevation
					sweep
Radial Data	Pointer to	N/A	N/A	N/A	See Figure E-
	Structure				4

Figure E-3. Radial Component Data Structure (Sheet 2)

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WIDTH
BIN SIZE
RANGE TO FIRST BIN
BIN VALUES

Figure E-4. Radial Information Data Structure (Sheet 1)

FIELD NAME	TYPE	UNITS	RANGE	PRECISION/ ACCURACY	REMARKS
Azimuth	REAL*4	Degrees	0.0 to 360.0	N/A	Azimuth of the center of the radial
Width	REAL*4	Degrees	0.0 to 2.0	N/A	Radial width or separation
Bin Size	REAL*4	Meters	0.0 to 1000.0	N/A	Range extent of each bin
Range to First Bin	REAL*4	Meters	1000.0 to 460000.0	N/A	Range to the center of the first bin
Bin Values	Structure	N/A	N/A	N/A	See Figure E- 11

Figure E-4. Radial Information Data Structure (Sheet 2)

GRID COMPONENT TYPE (=2)	
NUMBER OF DIMENSIONS	
DIMENSIONS	
GRID TYPE	
NUMBER OF COMPONENT PARAMETERS	
COMPONENT PARAMETER LIST	
GRID DATA	

Figure E-5. Grid Component Data Structure (Sheet 1)

FIELD	TYPE	UNITS	RANGE	PRECISION/	REMARKS
NAME	T) Imit	27/4		ACCURACY	G . 1
Grid	INT*4	N/A	2	N/A	Grid
Component					component
Type					type
Number of	INT*4	N/A	1 to 4	N/A	Number of
Dimensions					grid
					dimensions
Dimensions	Pointer to	N/A	N/A	N/A	Grid
	INT*4				dimensions,
					ordered from
					fastest
					changing to
					slowest.
Grid Type	INT*4	N/A	1 to 4	N/A	1=Array,
					2=Equally
					spaced,
					3=Lat/Lon,
					4=Polar
Number of	INT*4	N/A	1 to 1000	N/A	Number of
Component					component
Parameters					parameters
Component	Pointer to	N/A	N/A	N/A	See Figure E-
Parameter	Structure				2. See Note
List					1.
Grid Data	Structure	N/A	N/A	N/A	See Figure E-
					11.

Figure E-5. Grid Component Data Structure (Sheet 2)

**Note 1.** Grid origin and dimension sizes are defined by component parameters. For equally spaced dimensions, we use component parameters for specifying the step sizes. For each unequally spaced grid dimension, we use an additional 1-D grid component to specify the grid pointer locations in that dimension.

AREA COMPONENT TYPE (=3)
NUMBER OF COMPONENT PARAMETERS
COMPONENT PARAMETER LIST
AREA TYPE
NUMBER OF POINTS
LIST OF POINTS

Figure E-6. Area Component Data Structure (Sheet 1)

FIELD NAME	TYPE	UNITS	RANGE	PRECISIO N/ACCURA CY	REMARKS
Area Component Type	INT*4	N/A	3	N/A	Area component type
Number of Component Parameters	INT*4	N/A	1 to 1000	N/A	Number of component parameters
Component Parameter List	Pointer to Structure	N/A	N/A	N/A	See Figure E-2
Area Type	INT*4	N/A	1 to 131075	N/A	0x00001=Point (Lat/Lon), 0x00002=Area (Lat/Lon), 0x00003=Polyline (Lat/Lon), 0x10001=Point (X/Y), 0x10002=Area (X/Y), 0x10003=Polyline (X/Y), 0x20001=Point (Az/Ran), 0x20002=Area (Az/Ran), 0x20003=Polyline (Az/Ran)
Number of Points	INT*4	N/A	1 to 10000	N/A	Number of data points
List of Points	Pointer to Structure	N/A	N/A	N/A	See Figure E-7a, E-7b, and E-7c.

Figure E-6. Area Component Data Structure (Sheet 2)

LATITUDE	
LONGITUDE	

Figure E-7a. Geographic Location Data Structure (Sheet 1)

FIELD	TYPE	UNITS	RANGE	PRECISION/	REMARKS
NAME				ACCURACY	
Latitude	REAL*4	Degrees	-90.0 to +90.0	N/A	Latitude
					location of
					data point
Longitude	REAL*4	Degrees	-180.0 to	N/A	Longitude
			+180.0		location of
					data point

Figure E-7a. Geographic Location Data Structure (Sheet 2)

X COORDINATE	
Y COORDINATE	

Figure E-7b. X/Y Location Data Structure (Sheet 1)

FIELD NAME	TYPE	UNITS	RANGE	PRECISION/A CCURACY	REMARKS
X Coordinate	REAL*4	km	N/A	N/A	X-coordinate of data point (See Note 1)
Y Coordinate	REAL*4	km	N/A	N/A	Y-coordinate of data point (See Note 1)

Figure E-7b. X/Y Location Data Structure (Sheet 2)

**Note 1.** The default unit for the X/Y location structure is kilometers (km). If a different unit is required, it must be specified in the component parameters.

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RANGE	

Figure E-7c. Az/Ran Location Data Structure (Sheet 1)

FIELD NAME	TYPE	UNITS	RANGE	PRECISION/	REMARKS
				ACCURACY	
Azimuth	REAL*4	Degrees	N/A	N/A	Azimuth of data point
Range	REAL*4	km	N/A	N/A	Range of data point (See
					Note 1)

Figure E-7c. Az/Ran Location Data Structure (Sheet 2)

**Note 1.** The default unit for range is kilometers. If a different unit is required, it must be specified in the component parameters.

TEXT COMPONENT TYPE (=4)
NUMBER OF COMPONENT PARAMETERS
COMPONENT PARAMETER LIST
TEXT

Figure E-8. Text Component Data Structure (Sheet 1)

FIELD	TYPE	UNITS	RANGE	PRECISION/	REMARKS
NAME				ACCURACY	
Text	INT*4	N/A	4	N/A	Text
Component					component
Type					type
Number of	INT*4	N/A	1 to 1000	N/A	Number of
Component					component
Parameters					parameters
Component	Pointer to	N/A	N/A	N/A	See Figure E-
Parameter	Structure				2
List					
Text	String	N/A	N/A	N/A	ASCII string

Figure E-8. Text Component Data Structure (Sheet 2)

TABLE COMPONENT TYPE (=5)					
NUMBER OF COMPONENT PARAMETERS					
COMPONENT PARAMETER LIST					
TITLE					
NUMBER OF COLUMNS					
NUMBER OF ROWS					
COLUMN LABELS					
ROW LABELS					
ENTRIES					

Figure E-9. Table Component Data Structure (Sheet 1)

FIELD NAME	TYPE	UNITS	RANGE	PRECISION/ ACCURACY	REMARKS
Table	INT*4	N/A	5	N/A	Table
Component					component
Type					type
Number of	INT*4	N/A	1 to 1000	N/A	Number of
Component					component
Parameters					parameters
Component	Pointer to	N/A	N/A	N/A	See Figure E-
Parameter	Structure				2
List					
Title	String	N/A	N/A	N/A	ASCII string
Number of	INT*2	N/A	1 to 32768	N/A	Number of
Columns					columns in
					table
Number of	INT*2	N/A	1 to 32768	N/A	Number of
Rows					rows in table
Column	Pointer to	N/A	N/A	N/A	See Figure E-
Labels	Structure				12.
Row Labels	Pointer to	N/A	N/A	N/A	See Figure E-
	Structure				12.
Entries	Structure	N/A	N/A	N/A	See Figure E-
					12.

Figure E-9. Table Component Data Structure (Sheet 2)

EVENT COMPONENT TYPE (=6)
NUMBER OF EVENT PARAMETERS
EVENT PARAMETER LIST
NUMBER OF COMPONENTS
COMPONENT LIST

Figure E-10. Event Component Data Structure (Sheet 1)

FIELD	TYPE	UNITS	RANGE	PRECISION/	REMARKS
NAME				ACCURACY	
Event	INT*4	N/A	6	N/A	Event
Component					component
Type					type
Number of	INT*4	N/A	1 to 10000	N/A	Number of
Event					event
Parameters					parameters
Event	Pointer to	N/A	N/A	N/A	See Figure E-
Parameter	Structure				2.
List					
Number of	INT*4	N/A	1 to 1000	N/A	Number of
Components					components
Component	Pointer	N/A	N/A	N/A	See Note 1.
List					

Figure E-10. Event Component Data Structure (Sheet 2)

**Note 1.** An array of pointers each of which points to one of the product component structures. An event can have any number of components of mixed types. Possible types are Radial Component (Figure E-3), Grid Component (Figure E-5), Area Component (Figure E-6), Text Component (Figure E-8), and Table Component (Figure E-9).

ATTRIBUTES	
DATA	

Figure E-11. Binary Data Data Structure (Sheet 1)

FIELD	TYPE	UNITS	RANGE	PRECISION/	REMARKS
NAME				ACCURACY	
Attributes	String	N/A	N/A	N/A	See Figure E-
					2 Note 1.
					Attribute
					"type" is
					required.
Data	Pointer	N/A	N/A	N/A	See Note 1.

Figure E-11. Binary Data Data Structure (Sheet 2)

Note 1. The data is fully described by "Attributes". The attributes are used to interpret the data.

For Grid Component data (see Figure E-5), the gridded data are stored as a 1-dimensional array with the index of the first dimension varying the fastest.

For Table Component data, "Entries" is an "Number of Rows" X "Number of Columns" array with the row index varying the fastest.

# TEXT STRING

# Figure E-12. String Data Structure (Sheet 1)

FIELD NAME	TYPE	UNITS	RANGE	PRECISION/AC CURACY	REMARKS
Text String	String	N/A	N/A	N/A	ASCII coded characters terminated
					with a null character

Figure E-12. String Data Structure (Sheet 2)