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To SNPWG Members

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Dear Colleagues,

Subject: Suggestions to improve the Radio Service ProdSpec test sample data

References: SNPWG Letter 01/2014

Thank you to the 3 SNPWG members who responded to Letter 01/2014: UK, US (NGA) and Jeppesen. The respondents provided suggestions which have been discussed and which are summarised below:

UK

1. Add a reference to coverage diagrams/charts if appropriate in the Radio Weather Services and Navigational Warnings section (NAVTEX, BONBONKREMA MRSC, BONBONKREMA (ZZZ) [9999]) and in the radio facsimile section (BONBONKREMA)

US (NGA)

1. Internet Weather Services--add what languages are available (Recommendation--English, French, and Jusslandian).
2. SAFETYNET (EGC SAFETYNET System table)--Is this attribute part of this data set always "SAFETYNET?" Should we use "MSA Provider" to make it more versatile in order to include other information providers (ie: Irradium, etc.)?

Jeppesen

1. The absence of certain accompanying graphics at the sections already mentioned by the UK.
2. We assume empty cells (Kipassebien & Jentendlamer in Bonbonkrema MRSC) mean the station does not transmit (Jentendlamer) or receive (Kipassebien).
3. If the sample data is intended to be the reference for testing the capabilities of display devices, some kind of graphics should be included. The pictograms for telephone and fax are noted but they present a different set of issues. Perhaps the question of graphics can be dealt with separately, in a different test dataset, e.g., S-122?

We kindly request France (SHOM) to consider the comments and to provide a revised version of the test data set at the earliest convenience but at the latest by the SNPWG18 meeting.

This letter is for SNPWG information only and does not require a response by others than France.

Yours sincerely,

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