

NSA TO TOG

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INFORMATION TO BE INCLUDED ON "COMMON-LANGUAGE" DIGITAL DATA TAPES

1. Physical medium and coding not specified
2. All tapes to state a reference year, day, time
Other time groups to be relative to this
Exact format to be decided Friday
3. All tapes to carry a serial number which identifies method used to extract data. Serial numbers to be issued by a single agency to be selected Friday. All parties receiving a serial number shall state the reliability associated with this process.
4. Means shall be provided to identify the receiving site that produced blocks of data. This need not be repeated for every data point. Exact method to be finalized Friday.
5. Data points to include for each burst one or more of the following sets (which set implied by serial #).
 - a. Time of center burst, prf
 - b. Time of beginning of burst, prf (not favored)
 - c. Time beginning, duration, prf
 - d. Time of beginning, number of pulses, prf
 - e. Additional formats to be added Friday (possibly including S/N ratio
 - f.

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CONTROL SYSTEM ONLY~~