**GEONETCast and GEONETCast-Americas Overview**

GEONETCast (GNC) is a satellite based dissemination system of the Group on Earth Observation (GEO) which transmits environmental and other data, products and services from the Global Earth Observation System of Systems (GEOSS) to users through communications satellites using multi-cast, broadband capability. GNC is coordinated by the GNC Implementation Group comprising the China Meteorological Administration (CMA), EUMETSAT, the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) and the World Meteorological Organization (WMO).

GEONETCast Americas (GNC-A) is a regional GEONETCast system that serves the majority of the Americas. See <http://www.geonetcastamericas.noaa.gov/> for more information on GEONETCast Americas. Those interested in utilizing GNC-A can be a User that receives the broadcast; a Provider that submits content to the broadcast or both. **There is no need to be a User to become a Provider.** A GEONETCast Americas product list can be found at: <http://geonetcastamericas.noaa.gov/pubs/section-1/GEONETCast-Americas%20Product%20Catalog%20-%20V20150910.pdf>.

**GEONETCast Americas Prospective Providers**

If you are interested in supplying data and products for dissemination on GNC-A, please complete form A as best you can. Your request will be reviewed by the GNC-A Coordination Group. If your request is accepted, you will be contacted for more detailed metadata and information about your product. Form A should be submitted by email to: gnc.americas@noaa.gov

**GEONETCast Americas Users or Prospective Users**

**Products and Services**

If you would like to receive a new product over GNC-A, please provide your request by completing form B as best you can. GNC-A will review your request and if approved, work with to identify an appropriate product available and a Provider to supply it or investigate source information provided by the requestor. Form B should be submitted by email to: gnc.americas@noaa.gov

**Ground Receive Stations**

If you have questions on ground receive systems, please see the following documents on [www.geonetcastamericas.noaa.gov](http://www.geonetcastamericas.noaa.gov) or email gnc.americas@noaa.gov.

English: GEONETCast Americas (GNC-A) Guide: Equipment Specification, Component Identification and Selection Discussion Version 2.2.0: June 11, 2014

Español or Guía de GEONETCast Américas (GNC-A): Especificaciones del equipo, identificación de los componentes y discusión de la selección Versión 2.2.0: Junio 11, 2014.

Portuguese: Guia GEONETCast-Américas (GNC-A): Especificações dos equipamentos, identificação dos componentes e discussão sobre seleção. Versão 2.2.0: 11 de junho de 2014

**GEONETCast Regional Providers In Other Regions**

If you require further information on the GEONETCast contributing systems, please contact the relevant GEONETCast Network Centre:

**EUMETCast** - EUMETSAT

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<http://www.nsmc.cma.gov.cn/FENGYUNCast/index.html>

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**Form A – Data Provider Feedback**

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| **Requesting Organisation/Project** |  |
| **Point of Contact** |  |
| **Address** |  |
| **City** |  |
| **Zip / Postal Code** |  |
| **Country** |  |
| **Email** |  |
| **Name and Description of product/data/service**  |  |
| **GEO Societal Benefit Area/s applicable for your product/data/service -1** | Agriculture |  | Energy |  |
| Biodiversity |  | Health |  |
| Climate |  | Water |  |
| Disasters |  | Weather |  |
| Ecosystems |  |  |  |
| **Justification Statement:**1. Which user communities (s would benefit from the product2. Description of the intended application /usage of the product3. Timeframe product is required (e.g. support to a specific project or indefinate) |  |
| **Product/data/service file size in Kilobytes** |  |
| **Product/data/service generation frequency** |  |
| **Product/data/service coverage area** |  |
| **Product/data/service format/file type** |  |
| **Your preferred network connectivity to GEONETCast uplink**  | EUMETCast |  |
| FENGYUNCast |  |
| GEONETCast-Americas |  |
| **User Station Processing Requirements** |  |
| **Location of the users of your product/data/service** | Africa |  | Australia |  |
| Americas |  | Europe |  |
| Asia |  |  |  |
| **Other important requirements** |  |

**-1 Note on Group for Earth Observation (GEO) Societal Benefit Areas:**

Agriculture: Supporting sustainable agriculture and combating desertification

Biodiversity: Understanding, monitoring and conserving biodiversity

Climate: Understanding, assessing, predicting, mitigating and adapting to climate variability and change

Ecosystems: Improving the management and protection of terrestrial, coastal and marine ecosystems

Energy: Improving management of energy resources

Disasters: Reduced loss of life and property from natural and human-induced disasters

Health: Understanding environmental factors affecting human health and well-being

Water: Improving water resource management through better understanding of the water cycle

Weather: Improving weather information, forecasting and warning.

**Form B – User Feedback**

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| **Your Organisation/Project (where applicable)** |  |
| **Point of Contact** |  |
| **Address** |  |
| **City** |  |
| **Zip / Postal Code** |  |
| **Country** |  |
| **Email** |  |
| **Description of type of product/data/service you would like to receive**  |  |
| **Potential source of these product/data/service**  |  |
| **Preferred generation frequency** |  |
| **Preferred coverage area** |  |
| **Preferred format/filetype** |  |
| **Planned application/use of the product** |  |
| **Additional requirements** |  |