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SUBJECT: Revision to IUE 3-Agency Information Interchange
Document

As was bound to happen eventually, changes to the content and format of some of the IUE observatory data items covered by the above document were recently made without the benefit of the formal change procedures. These changes concern the catalogue source, object ID and Luminosity class, and the printed format of NASA and merged logs.

These changes were made in order to improve the usefulness of the affected item and we hope that they will be accepted without the need for negotiation. However, if there are any comments which need to be considered, please let me know. I will then revert to the approved procedure of negotiations.

The subject revisions are as follows:

a. Catalogue source and object ID format changes were made on September 1, 1980, at the request of the NSSDC, IUE Science Operation, and the IUE Observatory Administrator, in order to allow unique identification of targets in a standardized format. The change created a separate 1-byte field in the IUE database to contain a coded catalogue source, which in turn enabled the object number/name to utilize a full 8-byte field. Formerly, the catalogue source occupied the first byte of the 8-byte object ID field. The coding convention for the catalogue source and the standard object number/name format are given in Tables 1 and 2. Physical conversion of all entries to these new standards is underway.

b. Luminosity class coding was changed in the database approximately October 1, 1980, utilizing the conventions listed in Table 3.

c. Tapes affected by these changes are the IUESOC archival tape information tape (Appendix D), and the GSFC Observatory Log and Merged Log tape (Appendix J).

d. Printouts affected by these changes are the IUESOC archive tape information listing (Appendix E, parts 1 and 2; Appendix F). Note that in these listings the station ID has also been added at the request of NSSDC.

e. The printed listings of the GSFC IUE Observatory Logs and Merged Log (Appendix K) were modified on November 1, 1980, at the request of IUE Science Operations, to provide a more useful display of the data. The spectral tape and luminosity class (in decoded form) has been added, and the order of appearance and format of several other entries were changed.

Replacement copies of the affected appendices (D, E part 1, E part 2, F, J, and K) are enclosed herewith.



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TABLE 1

Catalog Source

The preferred catalog source is the HD.

- Y - Bright Star Catalog
- 1 - BD
- 2 - CD
- 3 - CPD
- G - Boss General Catalog
- H - HD catalog
- N - NGC
- P - PG numbers
- K - Parkes catalog numbers
- Q - other extragalactic sources with designations of the form HHMM=DDM, e.g. Burbidge catalog of quasars
- S - SAO catalog numbers
- X - X-ray sources with designations of the form HHMM=DDM, e.g. 2A, MXB, 4 U numbers
- O - other designations as chosen by the observer, e.g., RHO CAS, AR PAV, 3C120

TABLE 2

Object Number/Name

Eight alpha-numeric characters.

A IDENT

Y	0000XXXX	XXXX is the Bright Star Catalog number
1	+ XXYYYY	BD number } X = declination zone
2	XX YYYYYY	CD number }
3	XX YYYYYY	CPD number }
G	000XXXXXX	XXXXXX is the GC number
H	00XXXXXX	XXXXXX is the HD number
N	0000XXXX	XXXX is the NGC number
P	XXXX+YYY	XXXX is the RA portion of the designation in the form HHMM
K	XXXX+YYY	YYY is the Dec portion of the designation in the form DDM
Q	XXXX+YYY	XXXXXX is the SAO number
X	XXXX+YYY	XXXXXXX is specified by the observer
S	00XXXXXX	
O	XXXXXXX	

TABLE 3

Luminosity Class

A single digit from 1 to 9 follows:

Class	L
Ib	1
II	2
III	3
IV	4
V	5
SD	6
WD	7
Ia	8
Iab	9

If not specified, a default value of 5 will be assumed.

APPENDIX D
IUESOC ARCHIVAL TAPE INFORMATION TAPE FORMAT

<u>FIELD</u>	<u>LENGTH</u>
IMAGE SEQUENCE NO.	6
PROGRAM ID	5
CATALOGUE SOURCE	1
OBJECT ID	8
RIGHT ASCENSION	
HOUR	2
MINUTE	2
SECOND	2
TENTH	1
DECLINATION	
SIGN	1
DEGREE	2
MINUTE	2
SECOND	2
PHOTOWRITE TAPE FILE	11
GO TAPE FILE	11
RELEASE DATE	5
PHOTOWRITE TO NSSDC	5
GO ARCHIVAL TAPE	11
SORT CODE	1

APPENDIX E

IUESOC ARCHIVAL TAPE INFORMATION LISTING FORMAT
ORDERED BY IMAGE SEQUENCE NUMBER

PART 1

Since this list is provided as a computer printout, information is listed by column position only.

Column Information

1	Camera and image sequence number
2	Catalog source
3	Object identification
4	Station ID
5	Target position in right ascension (equinox 1950)
6	Target position in declination (equinox 1950)
7	Program identification (5-character code)
8	Image release date in form YR/DAY
9	Photowrite tape identification and files containing image
10	Photowrite delivery date to NSSDC in form YR/DAY
11	Archive tape identification and files containing image
12	Archive tape delivery date to NSSDC in form YR/DAY
13	Sort codes for image description in special cases of reprocessing, raw image only supplied, etc.

APPENDIX J

GSFC OBSERVATORY LOG AND MERGED LOG TAPE FORMAT

Note that in the merged log, bytes 21 through 25 (*) and bytes 107 through 251 (**) are blank for VILSPA image entries.

FIELD	LENGTH	BEGIN	END
DATE			
YEAR	2	1	2
DAY	3	3	5
MONTH	2	6	7
MINUTE	2	8	9
CAMERA	3	10	12
IMAGE SEQUENCE NO.	6	13	18
APERTURE	1	19	19
DISPERSION	1	20	20
(*) SORT CODE	6	21	26
PROGRAM ID	5	27	31
OBJECT ID	3	32	39
RIGHT ASCENSION			
HOUR	2	40	41
MINUTE	2	42	43
SECOND	2	44	45
TENTH	1	46	46
DECLINATION			
SIGN	1	47	47
DEGREE	2	48	49
MINUTE	2	50	51
SECOND	2	52	53
VISUAL MAGNITUDE	5	54	58
SPECTRAL TYPE	4	59	62
LUMINOSITY CLASS	2	63	64
OBJECT CLASS	2	65	66
B-V E(B-V)	5	67	71
LARGE APERTURE	1	72	72
EXPOSURE TIME			
MINUTE	3	73	75
SECOND	2	76	77
STATION ID	1	78	78
COMMENTS	20	79	98
G.O. NAME	8	99	106
(**) SIGMA-9 DAY PROC	5	107	111
(**) 360 DAY PROC	5	112	116
(**) SOC TAPE FILE	7	117	123
(**) YR/DAY	5	124	128
(**) RECEIPT	1	129	129
(**) TO GLENDALE	5	130	134
(**) PHOTOWRITE TAPE/FILE	11	135	145
(**) YR/DAY	5	146	150
(**) RECEIPT	1	151	151
(**) CALCOMP TAPE FILE	11	152	162
(**) YR/DAY	5	163	167
(**) RECEIPT	1	168	168
(**) GO TAPE/FILE	11	169	179
(**) YR/DAY	5	180	184
(**) RECEIPT	1	185	185
(**) SPECTRA COMPLETE	5	186	190
(**) RELEASE DATE	5	191	195
(**) FINAL SHIP DATE	5	196	200
(**) PHOTOWRITE TO NSSDC	5	201	205
(**) GO ARCHIVAL TAPE	11	206	216
(**) YR/DAY	5	217	221
(**) TO NSSDC	5	222	226
(**) NSSDC INFORMATION	20	227	246
(**) SEQUENTIAL NUMBER	5	247	251
(**) CATALOG SOURCE	1	252	252

