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Subject: Re: old Wyrkti,Noda current meter sets
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Hey Mitch,

Thanks for the lengthy explanation. Odd that there is not more interest in preserving, cataloging, and making the older data sets available. I thought that was our bread and butter. Anyhow, thank goodness you are there to maintain some connection to the past; otherwise, there would be lots of datasets sucked into the black hole. I'm glad I at least have the Hawaii sector in shape. No lost data from here.

For the 7800586, even though there was corruption in the format of the dataset I downloaded off NODC direct, I was able to grep out some key words and match what I have in the Klaus Wyrkti set. Luckily, I had acquired this set from you over a decade ago, then put each time series into a separate file for convenience (all arrived in one humongous file). I just put my version of it on ftp.nodc under liaison in file 7800586.zip. This zip works on my unix using commands "unzip and zip" and it also works on PCs. It will unfold the files into directories. There you will see the data in a clean format (F015). Also a nice list file of places and dates, etc.

Since I have all the Wyrkti data, I'll just give it 7800586 and not worry that some may be in 8100469. Maybe we should just re-assign an accession number to it with the batch of files I sent you? Let me know what is easiest.

Good luck resurrecting the data. It seems you and I are the tiny minority within NODC/NCDDC that care about the posterity sets. How did the attention drift away so far from the center's initial purpose?

Thanks again for helping with these.

Best regards, Pat

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