

Vantage Timed Text Flip 8.0.9 ComponentPac Release Notes

New - Vantage Cloud Port

Vantage 8.0 introduces a new feature: Vantage Cloud Port

- Vantage Cloud Port enables the ability to place certain actions into a mode where their execution will take place within containerized micro-services in the cloud. For more information, please visit our Vantage Cloud Port information page: <https://www.telestream.net/vantage/vantage-cloud-port.htm>

About This Release

This update includes the following:

- New features and bug fixes for Timed Text Flip and Timed Text Conform

Installation

This ComponentPac update can be installed on Vantage systems running Vantage 8.0. *Please test this update in a lab environment before deploying in production.*

Secured Version Control App Note:

http://www.telestream.net/pdfs/app-notes/app_Secured_Version_Control.pdf

New features this Update

- SUB-936 Added new “Always create outputs” checkbox for audio tracks, so that jobs can succeed even if fewer audio tracks than configured are present in the source file. This allows you to create one job definition to support passing through any number of audio tracks.
- SUB-1768 / 1725 Added new “Accurate decoding mode” option for rendering Teletext sources to subtitle graphics or DVB Subtitles. This mode more accurately reflects a TV decoder, including vertically stretched text when in “double height” mode.
- SUB-1762 Added new “Subtitle Slate Removal” option to subtitle inputs. This feature lets you remove undesired “slate” or “title card” pre-roll subtitles which contain non-subtitle information such as Episode title, translator’s notes, etc., so that these subtitles are not present in the output file.
- SUB-1752 Added new “Use line numbers” setting for WebVTT exports, which expresses vertical positioning as a line number (1-15) instead of as a percentage of screen height.
- SUB-1398 Added more fonts to Cloud Port servers for improved CJK support.

Fixed in this Update

- SUB-1804 Increased buffer limit for processing bad SCC files.
- SUB-1788 Fixed incorrect Chinese characters in Cavena 890 source files.
- SUB-1778 TT Conform outputs were showing DEMO watermark when running in Cloud mode.
- SUB-1774 Fixed converting Hebrew TTML files to DVB Subtitles had incorrect text direction on 'rltb' and 'tblr' regions.
- SUB-1772 Fixed reading 608/708 captions from AVC OP1a .mxf files containing bad SEI message data.
- SUB-1764 Fixed TT Conform issue when a segment ends with a pop-on caption, the clear command is very close to the segment out time, and the next segment starts with a paint-on caption.
- SUB-1756 Fixed incorrect Chinese characters in PAC source files.
- SUB-1731 Fixed using Ripple Time Code on a customer SCC file resulted in an empty output file.
- SUB-1730 Improved Lambda CAP to IMSC 1.1 conversion to meet Netflix recommendations.
- SUB-1715 Fixed conversion of italic text to EBU-STL file lacked italics after a line break.
- SUB-1649 Improved slate/title card detection in PAC files.

Known Issues

The following are known issues in this release, which may be fixed in a future Vantage or Vantage component release

SUB-1425 When running in Cloud Port mode, DCP subtitle files which link to PNG image files using relative file paths will not process correctly because the PNG files do not get localized to the cloud.

SUB-1274 When encoding 608 captions, and the source contains an em dash in column 32, the em dash may be encoded in a way that not all caption decoders will decode it correctly. It is not recommended to place an em dash in column 32.

SUB-1024 Minor differences in font rendering may be seen when comparing subtitle overlays made in cloud mode versus the same action run on premise. This can include small variations in positioning, word wrapping, font anti-aliasing, etc. Some features such as support for vertical subtitles and Ruby annotations do not work in cloud mode, and will be addressed in a future update.

SUB-1043 If the Font parameter is bound to a variable and the job is run in cloud mode, the font will not be verified as being available in cloud mode. If the job is run with a variable that specifies a font that isn't available in cloud mode, a different font may be substituted without warning.

SUB-1058 When running in cloud mode and outputting to Subtitle Overlay, all text in a region will be drawn with the same text outline setting. Some sources such as TTML may specify different text outlines in the same region, but in cloud mode, only the first text outline setting from each region will be used.

SUB-927 When encoding Teletext, the maximum number of characters per line is 35 (when double height mode is enabled) or 36 (double height mode disabled). Subtitle sources with more than this number of characters will encode to Teletext but lines of text that are too long will be truncated.

SUB-614 When outputting SRT, some timecode results are different from MacCaption SRT files

SUB-794

When rendering Arabic text to a subtitle overlay, ensure you select a font that supports all Arabic characters. Some fonts (e.g. "Arial") may not support all Arabic characters correctly.

SUB-805

Certain customer-provided transport streams containing DVB Subtitles are failing to read as an input source in this version of Timed Text Flip.

SUB-747

Converting certain source files such as Spruce STL input to an EBU-STL output may fail with an error in the subtitle converter. This is because EBU-STL output only supports certain exact frame rates which may be different from what is contained in the source file. Workaround: Enable the Frame Rate Conversion filter, and set the EBU-STL output to the desired frame rate (typically 25.0 or 29.97).

DVB Subtitle Output – General issues

Certain combinations of settings such as high resolution (greater than 720x576), high color depth (greater than 16), or certain font effects such as large font size, drop shadow, etc. can cause DVB subtitles to exceed the bitrate that will fit into the final transport stream after muxing with video & audio in IPTV. Care should be used to select settings that do not exceed the available bitrate in the stream.

SUB-547

If a specific font is selected for the Font setting in Subtitle Overlay, and that font is not available for use on a node, the job is expected to fail. However on Windows Server 2016 we observed that the job may hang instead. Using -> Control Panel -> Appearance and Personalization -> Fonts -> Download fonts for all languages -> Now the workflow completes jobs without hanging.

SUB-563

Can't decode Teletext from a Media Input and output to TTML SMPTE-TT 2052 profile

Workarounds: Select IMSC 1.0 profile instead, or, use a two-step process to output SMPTE 2052: TT Flip action with Media input to TTML output (IMSC1 profile), followed by another TT Flip action with TTML input to TTML output (SMPTE 2052 profile).

SUB-564

Can't decode Teletext from a Media Input and output to SCC or MCC

Workaround: To convert from a Media source with embedded Teletext to SCC or MCC output, use a two-step process: Create one TT Flip action with a Media input and a TTML output (set to read a Teletext page as the source channel), then, create a second TT Flip action with a TTML input and a SCC or MCC output.

SUB-458

Converting Lambda CAP to TTML combines two vertical text regions into one text line. Workaround: Does not occur when using TTML profiles IMSC 1.0 or iTT (which both support vertical regions properly). Only an issue when using Default/Basic TTML profile which do not support vertical text anyway.

SUB-451

Attempting to create UHD or 4K DVB ts results in 'Argument out of range error'

SUB-449

Overlay text extends outside the text box in several character sets

SUB-440

Some PAC files cause intermittent job failures when the wrong language is selected going to Subtitle Overlays

SUB-428

Some PAC files cause job failures when the wrong language is selected going to DVB Subtitles

SUB-423 / SUB-461

Captions with complex wipes produce unusable DVB outputs not compatible with IPTV. DVB subtitle streams with peak bitrates significantly higher than the maximum 400kbps will trigger buffer errors on mux. Users may choose to generate potentially non-compliant transport stream files by disabling the option to "Treat Buffer Underflows/Overflows as Errors"

SUB-415

Timed Text font scales outside the title safe background box when scaling font to 200% or greater

SUB-396 - Timed Text: TTML source job may fail if the 4 line limit for CEA-608 captions is exceeded.

SUB-232 - When using a source that specifies background boxes by default (e.g. closed captions), if you change the font to one that draws larger than the default monospace font, parts of some characters may be drawn extending outside of the background boxes. Suggested workaround: When using a source that specifies background boxes by default and you override the font, you should also enable the "Background Color Override" checkbox and specify the desired background color and opacity. This will resize the background boxes to better fit the specified font.

When using a source that contains paint-on or roll-up captions, and using a proportional font (e.g. Arial Black) without a font outline override and without a background color override specified, you may notice the text characters shift positions slightly from one frame to the next. Suggested workaround: When using a source that contains paint-on or roll-up captions, use the default monospace font (e.g. Courier New). Or, if you must specify a different font, you should also enable the font outline override and set a non-zero font outline size.

SUB-225 - Some .GXF files may contain non-supported caption encoding that will result in garbled captions during timed text extraction from input Media.

SUB-178 - Subtitle Overlay output does not export non-square pixel resolutions such as 1440x1080. Must export full raster 1920x1080 and down convert.

SUB-159 - Currently, input media in.LXF containers are not supported in Same as Source outputs for caption data insertion.