TO:      NOAA WEATHER WIRE SERVICE /NWWS/ SUBSCRIBERS
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         OTHER NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE /NWS/ CUSTOMERS AND EMPLOYEES
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SUBJECT: REDUCTIONS IN SERVICES FROM THE NWS CLIMATE PREDICTION
         CENTER...EFFECTIVE JULY 1 1997 AND OCTOBER 1 1997

DUE TO BUDGET CUTS AND PERSONNEL REDUCTIONS...THE CLIMATE PREDICTION
         CENTER /CPC/ IN CAMP SPRINGS MARYLAND WILL NO LONGER SUPPORT CERTAIN
         SERVICES AS DESCRIBED BELOW.

ON JULY 1 1997...THE CPC WILL NO LONGER MAINTAIN SOFTWARE THAT ALLOWS
         CUSTOMERS OF CPC LONG-LEAD FORECASTS TO CONVERT FROM OUTLOOK PROBABILITIES
         OF CATEGORIES /E.G. ABOVE NORMAL...BELOW NORMAL/ TO PROBABILITIES OF
         SPECIFIC TEMPERATURE/RAINFALL OUTCOMES...RANGES OF OUTCOMES...OR EXTREMES
         EXPRESSED IN UNITS OF INCHES OF RAINFALL OR DEGREES OF TEMPERATURE AT
         SPECIFIC SITES.

ON OCTOBER 1 1997...THE CPC WILL ELIMINATE THE NWS CLIMATE DIAL-UP SERVICE
         /CDUS/ COMPONENT OF THE FAMILY OF SERVICES. USERS WILL BE ABLE TO ACCESS
         MOST CDUS PRODUCTS THROUGH THE INTERNET AT /USE LOWER CASE/:

         HTTP://NIC.FB4.NOAA.GOV

         BY "CLICKING" ON "ANALYSIS AND MONITORING" ON THIS CPC HOME PAGE AND
         SELECTING "CLIMATE MONITORING /TABLE/TEXTS/" FROM THE MENU.

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