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-FAMILY OF SERVICES
-NOAA WEATHER WIRE SERVICE
-EMERGENCY MANAGERS WEATHER INFORMATION NETWORK
-NOAAPORT
OTHER NWS PARTNERS...USERS AND EMPLOYEES

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SUBJECT: WIND PROFILER DATA PRODUCTS TEMPORARILY DISCONTINUED

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1 2008...ALL NWS WIND PROFILER PRODUCTS WILL BE
UNAVAILABLE FOR APPROXIMATELY THREE TO FIVE WEEKS.

THE SUSPENSION IN AVAILABILITY OF WIND PROFILER DATA IS NECESSARY BECAUSE
OF RECENTLY IDENTIFIED SECURITY THREATS. THE WIND PROFILER NETWORK
CURRENTLY OPERATES ON OBSOLETE EQUIPMENT THAT CANNOT SUPPORT NECESSARY
INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SECURITY METHODS. INTERCONNECTION TO MAJOR NWS
SYSTEMS EXTENDS THE VULNERABILITY TO THOSE SYSTEMS.

NWS IS WORKING ON AN ALTERNATE PLAN WITHIN NOAA /WITH THE METEOROLOGICAL
ASSIMILATION DATA INGEST SYSTEM GROUP IN NOAA RESEARCH/ THAT WILL ALLOW
HOURLY WIND PROFILER DATA TO BE AVAILABLE FROM EACH SITE.

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