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SUBJECT: Amended: Soliciting Comments until April 15, 2017, on
the Days 3-7 Winter Storm Threat Index from NWS Weather
Forecast Office (WFO) Baltimore/Washington, DC

Amended to add Day 3 to the experiment and to extend the comment
period to April 15, 2017

WFO Baltimore/Washington is soliciting comments on the
Experimental Days 3-7 Winter Storm Threat Index through April
15, 2017. The purpose of this experimental product is to
graphically display the location and level of potential
winter storm threats in the extended portion of the forecast
3-7 days in the future. This threat level will combine winter
precipitation probabilities and potential impact.

The experiment received positive feedback last year for days 4-7
and is being amended to include day 3 this year to address
concerns provided through user comments.

The experimental Days 3-7 Winter Storm Threat Index graphic also
builds upon data generated by experimental Winter Weather
Outlooks produced by the NWS Weather Prediction Center (WPC).

The experimental Days 3-7 Winter Storm Threat Index will be
posted on the NWS Baltimore/Washington winter web page at:

<http://www.weather.gov/lwx/winter>

WFO Baltimore/Washington will begin issuing this experimental
product on Tuesday, December 6, at least twice daily at 0900 and
2100 Coordinated Universal Time (UTC) and as needed. No
communication system changes are required to receive this

information.

Additional information and an example of the experimental product are provided at the link below:

<http://products.weather.gov/PDD/LWXDays3-7PDD.pdf>

Comments may be submitted via the survey link below. The link will also be provided on the NWS Baltimore/Washington winter web page:

www.nws.noaa.gov/survey/nws-survey.php?code=DAY3_7_WST

If comments are favorable, this experiment will be evaluated for possible expansion to other NWS offices. An additional opportunity for comment/review will be provided before a decision to expand. If you have questions, please contact:

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