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Subject: National Tropical Cyclone Watch Warning Product (TCV) Product Collaboration Tests: August 6-10, 2018

The National Hurricane Center (NHC), Ocean Prediction Center (OPC), Weather Prediction Center (WPC), 21 NWS Southern Region Weather Forecast Offices (WFOs) and 15 Eastern Region WFOs will test internal software and hardware of the national tropical cyclone watch/warning (TCV) product collaboration process for the Atlantic basin on Monday, August 6 daily through Thursday, August 9, 2018.

Internal testing will begin at approximately 1400 Greenwich Mean Time (GMT) and terminate at 1900 GMT daily during scheduled test days. In the event of inclement weather, Friday, August 10, 2018, has been reserved to serve as backup date for any portion of testing that was delayed.

Internal TCV test products are not intended to be released externally through NWS dissemination and communication systems.

Periodic NHC and WFO internal software and hardware testing will continue during the remainder of 2018. The national TCV product for the Atlantic basin will contain a summary of NHC/WFO collaborated wind and/or storm surge watches and warnings, depicted by NWS-defined geographic zones.

NWS WFOs participating in the national TCV product collaboration tests are listed below by NWS Region:

NWS Southern Region:

Atlanta, GA (FFC)
Austin-San Antonio, TX (EWX)
Birmingham, AL (BMX)
Brownsville, TX (BRO)
Corpus Christi, TX (CRP)
Fort Worth, TX (FWD)
Houston, TX (HGX)
Jackson, MS (JAN)
Jacksonville, FL (JAX)
Key West, FL (KEY)

Lake Charles, LA (LCH)
Little Rock, AR (LZK)
Melbourne, FL (MLB)
Miami, FL (MFL)
Mobile, AL (MOB)
Morristown, TN (MRX)
New Orleans, LA (LIX)
San Juan, PR (SJU)
Shreveport, LA (SHV)
Tallahassee, FL (TAE)
Tampa Bay Area, FL (TBW)

NWS Eastern Region

Albany, NY (ALY)
Boston/Taunton, MA (BOX)
Caribou, ME (CAR)
Charleston, SC (CHS)
Gray/Portland, ME (GYX)
Mount Holly, NJ (PHI)
Newport/Morehead City, NC (MHX)
New York, NY (OKX)
Sterling, VA (LWX)
Wakefield, VA (AKQ)
Wilmington, NC (ILM)
Columbia, SC (CAE)
Greenville-Spartanburg, SC (GSP)
Raleigh-Durham, NC (RAH)
Blacksburg/Roanoke, VA (RNK)

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