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SUBJECT: TRANSFER OF OFFSHORE MARINE FORECAST AND WARNING RESPONSIBILITY FROM THE WEATHER FORECAST OFFICES IN MIAMI AND NEW ORLEANS TO THE TROPICAL PREDICTION CENTER...EFFECTIVE APRIL 3 2000

ON MONDAY...APRIL 3 2000 AT 1530 COORDINATED UNIVERSAL TIME /UTC/...THE TROPICAL PREDICTION CENTER /TPC/ WILL ASSUME RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE OFFSHORE MARINE FORECASTS AND WARNINGS CURRENTLY PREPARED BY THE WEATHER FORECAST OFFICES /WFOS/ IN MIAMI FLORIDA /MFL/ AND NEW ORLEANS LOUISIANA /LIX/. THESE PRODUCTS INCLUDE THE:

- OFFSHORE MARINE FORECAST FOR THE SOUTHWEST NORTH ATLANTIC SOUTH OF 31 N AND WEST OF 65 W AND THE CARIBBEAN SEA...ISSUED BY WFO MIAMI.
- OFFSHORE MARINE FORECAST FOR THE GULF OF MEXICO...ISSUED BY WFO NEW ORLEANS.

MARINE ZONES...AND THEIR UNIVERSAL GEOGRAPHIC CODE /UGC/ /Z/ CODES INVOLVED IN THE OFFSHORE MARINE FORECAST ARE SHOWN BELOW.

MARINE ZONE	UGC ZONE /Z/
NW GULF N OF 25N AND W OF 90W SW GULF S OF 25N AND W OF 90W MIDDLE GULF BETWEEN 85W AND 90W E GULF BETWEEN 81W AND 85W SYNOPSIS FOR THE GULF OF MEXICO OUTLOOK FOR THE GULF OF MEXICO	GMZ082 GMZ084 GMZ086 GMZ089
NW CARIBBEAN N OF 15N AND W OF 75W SW CARIBBEAN S OF 15N AND W OF 75W E CARIBBEAN E OF 75W SYNOPSIS FOR THE CARIBBEAN OUTLOOK FOR THE CARIBBEAN SW N ATLANTIC S OF 31N W OF 65W SYNOPSIS FOR THE SW N ATLANTIC OUTLOOK FOR THE SW N ATLANTIC	AMZ 084 AMZ 086 AMZ 089 AMZ 095 AMZ 080 AMZ 088

THE ONLY CHANGE BEING IMPLEMENTED IS THE ISSUING OFFICE OF THE FORECASTS AND WARNINGS...AND ASSOCIATED CHANGES IN THE WORLD METEOROLOGICAL ORGANIZATION /WMO/ AND AUTOMATION OF FIELD OPERATIONS AND SERVICES /AFOS/HEADERS. NO CHANGES WILL BE MADE TO THE AREA COVERED BY ANY OF THE FORECASTS OR WARNINGS...NOR TO THE ISSUANCE TIMES.

IN THE HEADERS LISTED BELOW...KNHC IS THE FOUR-LETTER IDENTIFIER FOR THE TROPICAL PREDICTION CENTER...KMFL IS THE FOUR-LETTER IDENTIFIER FOR WFO MIAMI AND KLIX IS THE FOUR-LETTER IDENTIFIER FOR WFO NEW ORLEANS.

THE SPECIFIC PRODUCTS TO BE TRANSFERRED FROM MIAMI AND NEW ORLEANS TO TPC ON APRIL 3 2000 ARE:

THE OFFSHORE MARINE FORECAST FOR THE SOUTHWEST NORTH ATLANTIC SOUTH OF 31 N AND WEST OF 65 W AND THE CARIBBEAN SEA:

CURRENT	NEW WMO	CURRENT	NEW	
WMO HEADER	HEADER	AFOS PIL	AFOS PIL	
FZUS62 KMFL	FZNT23 KNHC	MIAOFFMIA	MIAOFFNT3	

THE OFFSHORE MARINE FORECAST FOR THE GULF OF MEXICO:

CURRENT	NEW WMO	CURRENT	NEW	
WMO HEADER	HEADER	AFOS PIL	AFOS PIL	
FZUS64 KLIX	FZNT24 KNHC	NEWOFFNEW	MIAOFFNT4	

IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS REGARDING THE TRANSFER OF THE OFFSHORE MARINE FORECAST FROM WFO MIAMI AND WFO NEW ORLEANS TO THE TROPICAL PREDICTION CENTER...PLEASE CONTACT:

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