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PUBLIC INFORMATION STATEMENT...SERVICE CHANGE NOTICE 00-61 NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE HEADQUARTERS WASHINGTON DC 840 AM EDT THU JUN 8 2000

TO: FAMILY OF SERVICES /FOS/ SUBSCRIBERS

NOAA WEATHER WIRE SERVICE /NWWS/ SUBSCRIBERS

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OTHER NWS CUSTOMERS...PARTNERS AND EMPLOYEES

FROM: THERESE PIERCE

CHIEF...HYDROMETEOROLOGICAL SERVICES

SUBJECT: EXPANDED CODED CITIES FORECAST FROM NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE IN WILMINGTON NC...EFFECTIVE JULY 31 2000

ON MONDAY JULY 31 2000...AT 400 PM EDT...THE NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE IN WILMINGTON NORTH CAROLINA WILL BEGIN ISSUING AN EXPANDED VERSION OF THE CODED CITIES FORECAST /CCF/. THE EXPANDED CODED CITIES FORECAST WILL BE SIMILAR TO THE EXISTING PRODUCT FOR DAYS ONE AND TWO...BUT WILL INCLUDE FORECASTS OUT TO FIVE DAYS. THE WORLD METEOROLOGICAL ORGANIZATION /WMO/HEADER WILL BE UNCHANGED AND CONTINUE TO BE FPUS42 KILM. THE OLD NOAA WEATHER WIRE /NWWS/ HEADER OF RDUCCFILM WILL ALSO REMAIN UNCHANGED. CUSTOMERS WILL NOT NEED TO MAKE ANY COMMUNICATION CHANGES TO CONTINUE RECEIVING THIS PRODUCT.

THE FOLLOWING IS AN EXAMPLE OF THE EXPANDED CODED CITIES FORECAST:

FPUS41 KILM 311930 CCFILM

ILM TA 055/074 038/059 038 25375 0000/0000/0000

ABB 073/048 074/050 070 0000000

FLO TA 055/074 038/059 038 25375 0000/0000/0000

ABB 073/048 074/050 070 0000000

MYR TA 055/074 038/059 038 25375 0000/0000/0000 ABB 073/048 074/050 070 0000000

THE THIRD LINE IS IDENTICAL TO THE OLD CODED CITIES FORECAST...EXCEPT FOR THE ADDITION OF THREE...FOUR DIGIT GROUPS...EACH SEPARATED BY A SLANT SYMBOL. EACH FOUR DIGIT GROUP REPRESENTS A SNOWFALL RANGE FOR THE FIRST...SECOND AND THIRD PERIODS RESPECTIVELY. SO FOR EXAMPLE...A CODE OF 0001/0306/0204 REPRESENTS A FORECAST OF 0-1 INCHES OF SNOW IN THE FIRST 12 HOURS...3-6 INCHES IN THE SECOND 12 HOUR PERIOD AND 2-4 INCHES IN THE THIRD 12 HOUR PERIOD.

ON THE FOURTH LINE...ABB IS AN EXAMPLE OF A STRING OF THREE ONE-LETTER WEATHER FORECASTS FOR DAYS THREE...FOUR AND FIVE...FOLLOWED BY THE TEMPERATURE FORECAST FOR THE LAST FIVE PERIODS. THE STRING OF ZEROES AT THE END OF THE LINE WILL EVENTUALLY BE REPLACED WITH PRECIPITATION

PROBABILITIES FOR SEVEN PERIODS...BUT THIS WILL NOT BE AVAILABLE INITIALLY.

IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS ABOUT THIS CHANGE...PLEASE CONTACT TOM MATHESON AT 910-762-4289 EXTENSION 223 OR RICHARD ANTHONY AT EXTENSION 222.

NATIONAL SERVICE CHANGE NOTICES ARE ONLINE AT /USE LOWER CASE/:

HTTPS://WWW.WEATHER.GOV/NOTIFICATION/ARCHIVE

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