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PUBLIC INFORMATION STATEMENT...SERVICE CHANGE NOTICE 01-59
NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE HEADQUARTERS WASHINGTON DC
955 AM EST THU NOV 1 2001

TO: FAMILY OF SERVICES /FOS/ SUBSCRIBERS...NOAA WEATHER
WIRE SERVICE /NWWS/ SUBSCRIBERS...EMERGENCY MANAGERS
WEATHER INFORMATION NETWORK /EMWIN/ SUBSCRIBERS...
NOAAPORT SUBSCRIBERS...OTHER NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE
/NWS/ CUSTOMERS AND PARTNERS...NWS EMPLOYEES

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SUBJECT: CLIMATE STATION NORMALS FOR DAILY AND MONTHLY CLIMATE
REPORTS TO BE UPDATED FROM 1961-1990 NORMALS TO
1971-2000 NORMALS...EFFECTIVE WITH JANUARY 1 2002 DAILY
REPORTS AND JANUARY 2002 MONTHLY REPORTS

NWS WEATHER FORECAST OFFICES /WFO/ WILL BEGIN USING THE NEW 1971-
2000 CLIMATE STATION NORMALS FROM THE NATIONAL CLIMATIC DATA
CENTER /NCDC/ FOR DAILY /CLI/ AND MONTHLY /CLM/ CLIMATE
REPORTS...BEGINNING WITH THE JANUARY 1 2002 CLI AND JANUARY 2002
CLM. THESE EFFECTIVE DATES FOR THE SWITCH IN NCDC NORMALS FROM
1961-1990 TO 1971-2000 ARE FOR ALL WEATHER ELEMENTS EXCEPT AS
NOTED BELOW:

1961-1990 HEATING DEGREE DAY /HDD/ NORMALS AND 1961-1990 SNOWFALL
NORMALS WILL CONTINUE TO BE USED THROUGH JUNE 30 2002. THIS WILL
AVOID DISCONTINUITIES IN DEPARTURES FROM NORMAL FOR THESE TWO
ELEMENTS IN THE MIDDLE OF THE SNOWFALL AND HDD SEASONS. THUS...
THE SWITCH TO 1971-2000 NCDC NORMALS FOR SNOWFALL AND HDD WILL BE
EFFECTIVE BEGINNING WITH THE JULY 1 2002 CLI AND JULY 2002 CLM.

THE FIRST CLIS WITH THE NEW 1971-2000 NCDC NORMALS WILL BE ISSUED
BY WFOS IN THE LATE AFTERNOON OR EARLY EVENING JAN 1 2002. THE
FIRST CLMS WITH THE NEW NORMALS FOR JANUARY 2002 WILL BE ISSUED
BY WFOS ON FEBRUARY 1 2002.

SPECIFICALLY...THIS AFFECTS INFORMATION IN THE FOLLOWING PRODUCT
WMO HEADINGS AND AWIPS IDS ISSUED BY ALL WFOS:

GENERIC	GENERIC		
WMO HEADING	AWIPS ID	PRODUCT	TITLE

CDAA4I CCCC	CLIXXX	CLIMATOLOGICAL REPORT /DAILY/	
CXAA5I CCCC	CLMXXX	CLIMATOLOGICAL REPORT /MONTHLY/	

KEY TO GENERIC WMO HEADING FOR AA...I AND CCCC AND GENERIC AWIPS
ID FOR XXX:

AA = US /CONUS/...AK /ALASKA/...HW /HAWAII/...CA /PUERTO RICO/
KA /MICRONESIA/PALAU/...GM /GUAM/...MH /MARSHALL ISLANDS/

I = AREA OF COUNTRY OF ISSUING WFO STATES OR TERRITORIES

0 - PACIFIC HI GU FM MH PW
1 - NORTH EAST U.S. NH RI CT NJ MD DC DE
VA NY MA VT OH PA ME WV
2 - SOUTH EAST U.S. AND PUERTO RICO SC GA NC FL PR VI
3 - NORTH CENTRAL U.S. SD MI WI ND KS MN IA
MO NE IL IN KY
4 - SOUTH CENTRAL U.S. TX AL MS LA AR TN OK
5 - ROCKY MOUNTAINS NM MT ID CO WY AZ NV UT
6 - WEST COAST U.S. CA OR WA
7 - SOUTHEAST ALASKA AREA - JUNEAU
8 - NORTH CENTRAL PACIFIC AREA OF ALASKA - ANCHORAGE
9 - NORTHERN ALASKA - FAIRBANKS

CCCC = SITE ID FOR ISSUING WFO

XXX = SITE ID OF WEATHER OBSERVATION STATION

INFORMATION ON NCDC NORMALS CAN BE FOUND AT /USE LOWER CASE/:

<http://lwf.ncdc.noaa.gov/oa/climate/normal/usnormals.html>

NOTE THAT THE 1971-2000 NORMALS WILL BE AVAILABLE FROM NCDC IN DIGITAL AND PDF FORM BY MID NOVEMBER 2001.

QUESTIONS ON STATISTICAL METHODS FOR CALCULATING NCDC NORMALS SHOULD BE ADDRESSED TO NCDC AT THE FOLLOWING

CLIMATE SERVICES BRANCH
NATIONAL CLIMATIC DATA CENTER
ROOM 468
151 PATTON AVENUE
ASHEVILLE NC 28801-5001
TELEPHONE: 828-271-4800
FACSIMILE: 828-271-4876
E-MAIL: NCDC.INFO@NOAA.GOV

TO ORDER NCDC CLIMATE NORMALS FOR STATIONS OF INTEREST...GO TO /USE LOWER CASE/:

<http://lwf.ncdc.noaa.gov/oa/about/ncdcordering.html>

ALSO...ORDERS CAN BE MADE BY CALLING THE TELEPHONE NUMBER ABOVE
...WRITING TO THE ADDRESS ABOVE...OR E-MAILING TO:
NCDC.ORDER@NOAA.GOV

IF YOU HAVE SERVICE RELATED QUESTIONS REGARDING THE CLI OR CLM AS ISSUED ON NWS COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEMS...YOU MAY CONTACT

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INTERNET AT /USE LOWER CASE/:

<http://www.nws.noaa.gov/om/notif.htm>

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