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PUBLIC INFORMATION STATEMENT...SERVICE CHANGE NOTICE 02-18
NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE HEADQUARTERS WASHINGTON DC
945 AM EST TUE MAR 19 2002

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

FROM: JAMES E. LEE
CHIEF...FIRE AND PUBLIC WEATHER SERVICES BRANCH

SUBJECT: DIGITAL FORECAST PRODUCT FROM THE NATIONAL WEATHER
SERVICE OFFICE IN NORTH PLATTE NEBRASKA...
EFFECTIVE MAY 8 2002

ON WEDNESDAY MAY 8 2002...AT 345 PM CDT...THE NATIONAL WEATHER
SERVICE IN NORTH PLATTE NEBRASKA /LBF/ WILL BEGIN ISSUING AN
EXPERIMENTAL PRODUCT CALLED THE DIGITAL FORECAST PRODUCT.

THE DIGITAL FORECAST IS A PRODUCT WHICH DISPLAYS FORECAST WEATHER
PARAMETERS IN 3-HOUR AND 12-HOUR INTERVALS. THE DIGITAL FORMAT
OF THIS PRODUCT PROMOTES QUICK VISUAL SCANNING OF SELECTED
WEATHER ELEMENTS AND FACILITATES EASE OF USE WITH COMPUTERS. IT
ALLOWS THE USER TO OBTAIN THE WEATHER PARAMETER/S/ OF CHOICE.

THE WMO HEADER FOR THIS PRODUCT WILL BE FOUS53 KLBF. THE AWIPS
IDENTIFIER WILL BE RDFLBF. CUSTOMERS WILL NEED TO ADD THESE
IDENTIFIERS TO THEIR COMMUNICATION SYSTEMS IF THEY WISH TO
RECEIVE THE DIGITAL FORECAST.

THE FOLLOWING IS AN EXAMPLE OF THE DIGITAL FORECAST PRODUCT...
ISSUED BY THE NWS OFFICE IN KANSAS CITY/PLEASANT HILL MISSOURI:

FOUS53 KEAX 210910
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DIGITAL FORECAST
NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE KANSAS CITY/PLEASANT HILL MO
310 AM CST FRI JAN 21 2000

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ATCHISON_KS-CLAY-CLINTON-JACKSON-JOHNSON_KS-LAFAYETTE-LEAVENWORTH-PLATTE-
RAY-WYANDOTTE-
INCLUDING THE CITIES OF...ATCHISON KS...KANSAS CITY...OLATHE
310 AM CST FRI JAN 21 2000

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 END OF EXAMPLE

FURTHER DETAILS ON HOW TO INTERPRET THIS PRODUCT CAN BE FOUND ON
 THE PLEASANT HILL FORECAST OFFICE WEB SITE AT /USE LOWER CASE
 LETTERS/:

www.crh.noaa.gov/eax/rdfexplain.htm

...OR CONTACT THE NORTH PLATTE NEBRASKA FORECAST OFFICE AT THE
 NUMBER LISTED BELOW.

IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS ABOUT THESE PRODUCTS...PLEASE
 CALL /308/ 532-4936 FOR DAVE WERT OR DEB BLONDIN AT THE NORTH
 PLATTE NEBRASKA FORECAST OFFICE.

THIS NOTICE AND OTHER SERVICE CHANGE NOTICES ARE ON THE INTERNET
 AT /USE LOWER CASE LETTERS/:

www.nws.noaa.gov/om/notif.htm

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