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PUBLIC INFORMATION STATEMENT...SERVICE CHANGE NOTICE 03-26
NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE HEADQUARTERS WASHINGTON DC
11:30 AM EDT TUE APRIL 22 2003

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

FROM THERESE Z. PIERCE
CHIEF...MARINE AND COASTAL WEATHER SERVICES BRANCH

SUBJECT CHANGES TO TROPICAL CYCLONE FORECAST/ADVISORY PRODUCT
EFFECTIVE MAY 15 2003

EFFECTIVE MAY 15 2003..THE TROPICAL PREDICTION CENTER/NATIONAL
HURRICANE CENTER /NHC/ AND THE CENTRAL PACIFIC HURRICANE CENTER
/CPHC/ WILL CHANGE THE FORMAT OF THE CODED STRING AS APPENDED TO
THE END OF THE MASS NEWS MEDIA DISSEMINATOR HEADER BLOCK...NWS
TPC/NATIONAL HURRICANE CENTER MIAMI FL...ON THE TROPICAL CYCLONE
FORECAST/ADVISORY PRODUCT. THE STRING WILL CHANGE THE YEAR FROM
TWO DIGITS TO FOUR DIGITS. CODING IS AS FOLLOWS:

EXAMPLE:

HURRICANE ISIDORE FORECAST/ADVISORY NUMBER 28
NWS TPC/NATIONAL HURRICANE CENTER MIAMI FL AL102002
0300Z MON SEP 23 2002

FORMAT:

NWS TPC/NATIONAL HURRICANE CENTER MIAMI FL BSNOYR

WHERE: /BS/ IS THE BASIN

AT...ATLANTIC

EP...EASTERN PACIFIC

CP...CENTRAL PACIFIC

WHERE: /NO/ IS THE TROPICAL CYCLONE NUMBER 01...99

WHERE: /YR/ IS FOUR DIGITS OF THE YEAR

PRODUCT	WMO HEADING	AWIPS ID
TROPICAL CYCLONE FORECAST/ADVISORY		
ATLANTIC	WTNT<21-25> KNHC	TCMAT<1-5>
EAST PACIFIC	WTPZ<21-25> KNHC	TCMEP<1-5>
CENTRAL PACIFIC	WTPA<21-25> PHFO	TCMCP<1-5>

NOTE...THERE ARE NO CHANGES TO WMO HEADINGS OR AWIPS IDENTIFIERS
AND NO ACTIONS ARE REQUIRED FOR CONTINUED RECEIPT OF THIS PRODUCT
FROM NHC AND CPHC.

A PUBLIC INFORMATION STATEMENT DETAILING OTHER CHANGES TO THE TROPICAL CYCLONE FORECAST/ADVISORY PRODUCT WAS ISSUED BY THE NWS ON MARCH 10 2003...REFERENCE SCN 03-16.

A WEB PAGE HAS BEEN ESTABLISHED TO ALLOW USERS TO TEST ALL CHANGES TO THE TROPICAL CYCLONE FORECAST/ADVISORY PRODUCT TO ENSURE CORRECT PRODUCT DECODING. SEE EXAMPLES AT /USE LOWER CASE LETTERS/

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IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS...PLEASE CONTACT

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