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PUBLIC INFORMATION STATEMENT...SERVICE CHANGE NOTICE 03-26
NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE HEADQUARTERS WASHINGTON DC
435 PM EDT TUE APRIL 29 2003

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...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 APPENDED TO THE
END OF THE ISSUING OFFICE LINE /NWS TPC/NATIONAL HURRICANE CENTER
MIAMI FL/ OF THE MASS NEWS MEDIA DISSEMINATOR HEADER BLOCK 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

AL...ATLANTIC

EP...EASTERN PACIFIC

CP...CENTRAL PACIFIC

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

WHERE /YR/ IS FOUR DIGITS OF THE YEAR

TABLE 1. PRODUCTS AFFECTED BY THIS CHANGE

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. NWS CUSTOMERS WHO DECODE THIS CODED STRING APPENDED TO THE ISSUING OFFICE LINE MAY NEED TO MODIFY RELATED SOFTWARE OR OTHER DATA PROCESSING PROGRAMS NO LATER THAN MAY 15 2003 TO ACCOMMODATE THIS CHANGE.

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...POSTED ON THE NOTIFICATION WEB SITE SHOWN AT THE END OF THIS SERVICE CHANGE NOTICE.

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/...

www.nhc.noaa.gov/newformat_examples.shtml

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS ABOUT THIS CHANGE...PLEASE CONTACT

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

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