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SERVICE CHANGE NOTICE 06-21  
NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE HEADQUARTERS WASHINGTON DC  
937 AM EDT THU MAY 18 2006

TO: FAMILY OF SERVICES /FOS/ SUBSCRIBERS...NOAA  
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SUBJECT: CHANGE IN TIME FORMAT USED IN THE TROPICAL CYCLONE  
FORECAST/ADVISORY /TCM/ AND THE AVIATION TROPICAL  
CYCLONE ADVISORY /TCA/ PRODUCTS EFFECTIVE JUNE 29 2006

EFFECTIVE JUNE 29 2006 AT 1400 COORDINATED UNIVERSAL TIME  
/UTC/...THE TIME FORMAT IN THE ISSUANCE DATE/TIME LINE OF THE TCM  
AND TCA MASS NEWS DISSEMINATOR /MND/ HEADER BLOCKS CHANGES FROM  
USING THE COORDINATED UNIVERSAL TIME /Z/ ABBREVIATION TO THE  
/UTC/ ABBREVIATION. EXAMPLES OF THE OLD AND NEW PRODUCTS ARE  
BELOW.

THE NORMAL 75 DAY NOTIFICATION PERIOD ASSOCIATED WITH SERVICE  
CHANGE NOTICES INTRODUCING MINOR CHANGES TO PRODUCT FORMAT WAS  
WAIVED. SOFTWARE MODIFICATIONS WERE DELAYED AND PUSHING THE  
EFFECTIVE DATE TO AUGUST MOVES THE CHANGE TO THE MOST ACTIVE PART  
OF THE HURRICANE SEASON.

OLD MND HEADER BLOCK...TCM  
HURRICANE INIKI FORECAST ADVISORY NUMBER 24  
NWS CENTRAL PACIFIC HURRICANE CENTER HONOLULU HI CP102002  
0300Z MON SEP 23 2002

NEW MND HEADER BLOCK...TCM  
HURRICANE INIKI FORECAST ADVISORY NUMBER 24  
NWS CENTRAL PACIFIC HURRICANE CENTER HONOLULU HI CP102002  
0300 UTC MON SEP 23 2002

OLD MND HEADER BLOCK...TCA  
TROPICAL STORM PATRICIA ICAO ADVISORY NUMBER 23  
NWS TPC/NATIONAL HURRICANE CENTER MIAMI FL AL162003  
0300Z SUN OCT 26 2003

NEW MND HEADER BLOCK...TCA  
TROPICAL STORM PATRICIA ICAO ADVISORY NUMBER 23  
NWS TPC/NATIONAL HURRICANE CENTER MIAMI FL AL162003  
0300 UTC SUN OCT 26 2003

NOTE...THERE ARE NO CHANGES TO WMO HEADINGS OR AWIPS IDENTIFIERS AND NO ACTIONS ARE REQUIRED FOR CONTINUED RECEIPT OF THESE PRODUCTS.

IF THERE IS AN ACTIVE STORM AT 1400 UTC ON JUNE 29 2006 IN THE ATLANTIC...EASTERN PACIFIC...OR CENTRAL PACIFIC HURRICANE BASINS...THE CHANGE WILL BE DELAYED BY INCREMENTS OF 24 HOURS UNTIL A TIME WHEN THERE ARE NO ACTIVE STORMS. FOR EXAMPLE...IF PRODUCTS ARE BEING ISSUED ON TROPICAL STORM ALBERTO... THE CHANGE TO THE TCM AND TCA WOULD BE DELAYED UNTIL AT LEAST 1400 UTC JUNE 30 2006...AND DELAYED FURTHER IF ALBERTO REMAINED ACTIVE.

IF YOU HAVE ANY COMMENTS OR QUESTIONS...PLEASE CONTACT:

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