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TO: FAMILY OF SERVICES /FOS/ SUBSCRIBERS

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OTHER NWS CUSTOMERS...PARTNERS AND EMPLOYEES

FROM: THERESE Z. PIERCE

CHIEF...MARINE AND COASTAL SERVICES BRANCH

SUBJECT: NEW TSUNAMI PRODUCTS AVAILABLE FOR THE INDIAN OCEAN: EFFECTIVE JUNE 27 2007

EFFECTIVE WEDNESDAY JUNE 27 2007 AT 1800 COORDINATED UNIVERSAL TIME /UTC/...AN INTERIM TSUNAMI WARNING PLAN FOR THE INDIAN OCEAN WILL BE IMPLEMENTED UNTIL SUCH TIME AS THIS CAPABILITY CAN BE MANAGED INDEPENDENTLY WITHIN THE REGION.

THE PACIFIC TSUNAMI WARNING CENTER /PTWC/ WILL IMPLEMENT A SUITE OF TWO TSUNAMI PRODUCTS FOR THE INDIAN OCEAN. THESE PRODUCTS WILL BE SIMILAR IN FORMAT AND CONTENT TO THE EXISTING SUITE OF TSUNAMI PRODUCTS CURRENTLY ISSUED BY PTWC FOR THE PACIFIC WITH THE EXCEPTION THAT THE HIGHEST LEVEL OF ALERT WILL BE A WATCH...INDEPENDENT OF THE MAGNITUDE OF THE QUAKE. THESE PRODUCTS WERE PREVIOUSLY ISSUED ON AN EXPERIMENTAL BASIS. THEY WILL TRANSITION TO OPERATIONAL PRODUCTS ON JUNE 27 2007.

THE TSUNAMI WATCH/ADVISORY WILL CONTAIN WATCH AND ADVISORY INFORMATION ABOUT A POTENTIAL TSUNAMI...THE SOURCE AND THE ESTIMATED TIME OF ARRIVAL FOR WAVES AND WILL ALERT RESIDENTS TO THE RISK OF FLOODING.

THE TSUNAMI INFORMATION BULLETIN WILL CONTAIN INFORMATION ABOUT SIGNIFICANT EARTHOUAKES WHICH ARE NOT LIKELY TO TRIGGER A TSUNAMI.

THE COMMUNICATIONS IDENTIFIERS FOR THESE PRODUCTS ARE LISTED IN TABLE 1. IMPORTANT NOTE: USERS OF NWS PRODUCTS MAY NEED TO UPDATE THEIR COMMUNICATION SYSTEM DIRECTORIES TO BEGIN RECEIVING THESE PRODUCTS.

TABLE 1. TSUNAMI PRODUCTS FOR THE INDIAN OCEAN

PRODUCT NAME WMO HEADING AWIPS ID
----TSUNAMI WATCH/ADVISORY WEIO21 PHEB TSUIOX
TSUNAMI INFORMATION STATEMENT WEIO23 PHEB TIBIOX

EXAMPLES OF THESE PRODUCTS CAN BE FOUND ONLINE AT: /USE LOWER CASE/:

HTTP://WWW.PRH.NOAA.GOV/PTWC/ABOUT MESSAGES.PHP

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS...PLEASE CONTACT:

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