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220 PM EDT MON AUG 27 2007

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SUBJECT: NEW 6- TO 10-DAY AND 8- TO 14-DAY MINIMUM WIND CHILL INDEX OUTLOOKS: BEGINNING DECEMBER 28 2007

ON FRIDAY DECEMBER 28 2007...THE CLIMATE PREDICTION CENTER /CPC/ WILL BEGIN ISSUING 6- TO 10-DAY AND 8- TO 14-DAY PROBABILISTIC OUTLOOKS FOR THE MINIMUM WIND CHILL INDEX FOR A NUMBER OF CITIES IN THE CONTIGUOUS U.S. /CONUS/ AND ALASKA. CPC WILL ISSUE THESE OUTLOOKS DAILY AT AROUND 300 PM EASTERN LOCAL TIME /ET/ THROUGH MARCH 31 2008. IN SUCCEEDING COLD SEASONS...CPC WILL ISSUE THESE OUTLOOKS DAILY FROM OCTOBER 1 THROUGH MARCH 31 AROUND 300 PM ET.

CPC WILL ISSUE MAPS INDICATING THE PROBABILITY /IN PERCENT/ THAT THE MINIMUM WIND CHILL VALUE FOR THE OUTLOOK PERIOD WILL BE IN THE BELOW NORMAL CATEGORY AND BELOW SEVEN SPECIFIC THRESHOLDS: 32F...28F...20F...10F...0F...-20F AND -40F.

THERE WILL BE A MAP FOR EACH OF EIGHT CRITERIA LISTED ABOVE FOR BOTH THE 6- TO 10-DAY AND 8- TO 14-DAY PERIODS. THERE WILL BE A TOTAL OF 16 MAPS.

FORECAST PROBABILITIES ON THE MAPS WILL BE CONTOURED AT 10 PERCENT INTERVALS AND THOSE BETWEEN 50 AND 100 PERCENT WILL BE SHADED IN BLUE.

IN ADDITION...CPC WILL INDICATE THE CLIMATOLOGICAL THRESHOLD FOR THE BELOW NORMAL CATEGORY...OR THE CLIMATOLOGICAL PROBABILITY OF BEING BELOW A CERTAIN THRESHOLD...IN 10 DEGREE INTERVALS...USING DASHED BLACK LINES.

THE MAPS WILL ALSO HAVE TAGS AS THE USER MOVES OVER A CITY LOCATION...MARKED BY A PLUS SIGN /+/ ON THE MAPS. CLICKING ON THESE PLUS SIGNS WILL GIVE THE USER MORE INFORMATION ABOUT THE FORECAST.

THE MAPS WILL APPEAR AT /USE LOWER CASE/:

HTTP://WWW.CPC.NCEP.NOAA.GOV

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION...CONTACT:

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