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SERVICE CHANGE NOTICE 08-04
NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE HEADQUARTERS WASHINGTON DC
1014 AM EST TUE FEB 5 2008

TO: SUBSCRIBERS:
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OTHER NWS PARTNERS...USERS AND EMPLOYEES

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SUBJECT: CHANGES TO THE HURRICANE LOCAL STATEMENT /HLS/:
EFFECTIVE JUNE 1 2008

REFER TO: SERVICE CHANGE NOTICE /SCN/ 08-05: TRANSMITTED
FEB 5 2008

BEGINNING JUNE 1 2008... THE FORMAT OF THE HLS WILL CHANGE AS
FOLLOWS IN RESPONSE TO FEEDBACK AND RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE
USER COMMUNITY FOR A MORE AUTOMATED DELIVERY OF THE PRODUCT.

1. THE HLS WILL BECOME A SEGMENTED PRODUCT.
2. THE HLS WILL IMPLEMENT VALID TIME EVENT CODE /VTEC/ AND USE
THE FOLLOWING FIVE VTEC PHENOMENA CODES. NEW EVENT NAMES FOR
2008 ARE ASTERISKED AND FURTHER DESCRIBED IN PARAGRAPH 3.

EVENT NAME	PHENOMENA CODE
TROPICAL STORM	TR
HURRICANE	HU
TROPICAL STORM WIND*	TI
HURRICANE WIND*	HI
TYPHOON	TY

3. EFFECTIVE JUNE 1 2008...TROPICAL STORM AND HURRICANE
WATCHES/WARNINGS FOR INLAND AREAS WILL NO LONGER BE ISSUED USING
THE NON-PRECIPITATION WATCH/WARNING /NPW/ PRODUCTS...REFERENCE
SCN NOTICE 08-05 DATED FEB 5 2008. THE FORMER /INLAND TROPICAL
STORM/ AND /INLAND HURRICANE/ EVENT NAMES WILL BE RENAMED...TO
/TROPICAL STORM WIND/ AND /HURRICANE WIND/ EVENTS...AND WILL BE
ISSUED USING THE HLS. /TROPICAL STORM WIND/ OR /HURRICANE WIND/
EVENT NAMES WILL BE USED WHEN TROPICAL STORM OR HURRICANE FORCE
WINDS ARE FORECAST TO SPREAD INLAND.

4. IN SUMMARY EFFECTIVE JUNE 1 2008 ALL TROPICAL CYCLONE WATCHES
AND WARNINGS WILL BE CARRIED IN THE HLS.

A DESCRIPTION OF THE HLS PRODUCT AND AN EXAMPLE OF THE NEW FORMAT

IS AVAILABLE ONLINE AT /USE LOWER CASE LETTERS/:

[HTTP://WWW.WEATHER.GOV/OS/HURRICANE/PDFS/HLS.PDF](http://www.weather.gov/os/hurricane/pdfs/hls.pdf)

THERE ARE NO CHANGES TO THE AWIPS IDENTIFIERS...WMO PRODUCT HEADINGS OR PRODUCT ISSUANCE TIMES...FOR THE HLS.

IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS...PLEASE CONTACT:

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[HTTP://WWW.NWS.NOAA.GOV/OM/NOTIF/HTM](http://www.nws.noaa.gov/om/notif/htm)

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