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SERVICE CHANGE NOTICE 08-64
NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE HEADQUARTERS WASHINGTON DC 945 AM EST WED DEC 17 2008

TO: SUBSCRIBERS:

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SUBJECT: CHANGE IN THE MASS NEWS DISSEMINATOR PRODUCT TYPE FOR FIRE WEATHER WATCH/RED FLAG WARNING PRODUCTS: EFFECTIVE WITH AWIPS SOFTWARE OPERATIONAL BUILD 9

EFFECTIVE WHEN EACH NWS WEATHER FORECAST OFFICE /WFO/ INSTALLS ADVANCED WEATHER INTERACTIVE PROCESSING SYSTEM /AWIPS/ SOFTWARE OPERATIONAL BUILD /OB/ 9...THE MASS NEWS DISSEMINATOR /MND/ PRODUCT TYPE LINE FOR FIRE WEATHER WATCH/RED FLAG WARNING PRODUCTS /RFW/ WILL CHANGE FROM EITHER:

FIRE WEATHER WATCH OR RED FLAG WARNING TO URGENT - FIRE WEATHER MESSAGE

NATIONAL DEPLOYMENT OF AWIPS SOFTWARE OB 9 SHOULD BEGIN ON OR ABOUT FEBRUARY 9 2009 AND SHOULD BE COMPLETED ON OR ABOUT MAY 15 2009.

THE ABOVE CHANGE WILL BE INCLUDED IN THE NEXT UPDATE TO NWS INSTRUCTION /NWSI/ 10-401 /FIRE WEATHER SERVICES PRODUCT SPECIFICATION/.

IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS ABOUT THESE CHANGES...PLEASE CONTACT:

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