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PUBLIC INFORMATION STATEMENT...SERVICE CHANGE NOTICE 99-25 NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE HEADQUARTERS WASHINGTON DC 115 PM EST THU MAR 4 1999

TO: FAMILY OF SERVICES /FOS/ SUBSCRIBERS

NOAA WEATHER WIRE SERVICE /NWWS/ SUBSCRIBERS

OTHER NWS CUSTOMERS...PARTNERS AND EMPLOYEES

FROM: THERESE Z. PIERCE

CHIEF...HYDROMETEOROLOGICAL SERVICES

SUBJECTS: ...ALL EFFECTIVE MARCH 29 1999...

- 1. NEW NOAA WEATHER WIRE PRODUCT IDENTIFIER FOR PUBLIC ZONE FORECASTS FROM THE BALTIMORE MD/WASHINGTON DC NWS WEATHER FORECAST OFFICE /WFO/ /WBCZFPLWX/.
- 2. INCLUSION OF DAY 4 AND DAY 5 FORECAST IN ZONE THE NEW ZONE FORECAST PRODUCT WBCZFPLWX.
- 3. STATE FORECAST DISCUSSION /WBCSFDWBC FXUS71 KLWX/ REPLACED BY THE AREA FORECAST DISCUSSION /WBCAFDLWX FXUS61 KLWX/

EFFECTIVE AT 9 A.M. EASTERN STANDARD TIME /EDT/...1400 COORDINATED UNIVERSAL TIME /UTC/...MARCH 29 1999...ZONE FORECASTS FOR 46 ZONES IN MARYLAND...VIRGINIA AND WEST VIRGINIA WILL BE ISSUED UNDER A NEW NOAA WEATHER WIRE SERVICE /NWWS/ PRODUCT IDENTIFIER AS WELL AS THE THREE OLD ONES CURRENTLY IN USE. THEN ON APRIL 27 1999...THE THREE OLD IDENTIFIERS WILL BE PHASED OUT...WITH JUST THE NEW IDENTIFIER /WBCZFPLWX/ REMAINING. THE WORLD METEOROLOGICAL ORGANIZATION /WMO/ HEADER FOR THESE 46 ZONES WILL REMAIN UNCHANGED...FPUS51 KLWX. SEE TABLES 1...2 AND 3 FOR DETAILS.

ALSO ON MARCH 29 1999...DAY 4 AND DAY 5 FORECAST INFORMATION WILL BE INCLUDED IN THE NEW WBCZFPLWX PRODUCT. IN ADDITION...THE STATE FORECAST DISCUSSION /WBCSFDWBC - FXUS71 KLWX/ WILL BE CHANGED TO AN AREA FORECAST DISCUSSION UNDER THE NWWS PIL /WBCAFDLWX - FXUS61 KLWX/.

TABLE 1: ON MARCH 29 1999 AT 1400 UTC...ZONE FORECASTS FOR THE 14 MARYLAND ZONES PLUS THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA LISTED BELOW WILL BE FOUND UNDER BOTH THE WBCZFPMD AND WBCZFPLWX NOAA WEATHER WIRE SERVICE /NWWS/ IDS. AFTER 1300 UTC APRIL 27 1999...ALL NWWS SUBSCRIBERS MUST USE THE WBCZFPLWX IDENTIFIER EXCLUSIVELY TO RECEIVE THESE ZONES.

UGC Z	MD ZONE NAME /BY COUNTY/	UGC Z	MD ZONE NAME /BY COUNTY/	UGC Z	MD ZONE NAME /BY COUNTY/
MDZ002-	ALLEGANY	MDZ014-	ANNE ARUNDEL	MDZ006-	N. BALTIMORE
MDZ011-	S. BALTIMORE	MDZ018-	CALVERT	MDZ005-	CARROLL
MDZ016-	CHARLES	MDZ004-	FREDERICK	MDZ007-	HARFORD
MDZ010-	HOWARD	MDZ009-	MONTGOMERY	MDZ013-	PRINCE GEORGES
MDZ017-	ST. MARYS	MDZ003-	WASHINGTON	DCZ001-	DISTRICT OF
					COLUMBIA

TABLE 2: ON MARCH 29 1999 AT 1400 UTC...ZONE FORECASTS FOR THE 23 VIRGINIA ZONES LISTED BELOW WILL BE FOUND UNDER BOTH THE WBCZFPVA AND WBCZFPLWX NWWS IDS. AFTER 1300 UTC APRIL 27 1999...ALL NWWS SUBSCRIBERS MUST USE THE WBCZFPLWX IDENTIFIER EXCLUSIVELY TO RECEIVE THESE ZONES.

UGC Z	VA ZONE NAME	UGC Z	VA ZONE NAME	UGC Z	VA ZONE NAME
	/BY COUNTY/		/BY COUNTY/		/BY COUNTY/
VAZ037-	ALBERMARLE	VAZ054-	ARLINGTON	VAZ025-	AUGUSTA
VAZ031-	CLARKE	VAZ051-	CULPEPPER	VAZ053-	FAIRFAX
VAZ041-	FAUQUIER	VAZ028-	FREDERICK	VAZ038-	GREENE
VAZ021-	HIGHLAND	VAZ057-	KING GEORGE	VAZ042-	LOUDOUN
VAZ039-	MADISON	VAZ036-	NELSON	VAZ050-	ORANGE
VAZ029-	PAGE	VAZ052-	PRINCE WILLIAM	VAZ040-	RAPPAHANNOCK
VAZ026-	ROCKINGHAM	VAZ027-	SHENANDOAH	VAZ056-	SPOTSYLVANIA
VAZ055-	STAFFORD	VAZ030-	WARREN		

TABLE 3: ON MARCH 29 1999 AT 1400 UTC...ZONE FORECASTS FOR THE 8 WEST VIRGINIA ZONES LISTED BELOW WILL BE FOUND UNDER BOTH THE WBCZFPWV AND WBCZFPLWX NWWS IDS. AFTER 1300 UTC APRIL 27 1999...ALL NWWS SUBSCRIBERS MUST USE THE WBCZFPLWX IDENTIFIER EXCLUSIVELY TO RECEIVE THESE ZONES.

UGC Z	WV ZONE NAME	UGC Z	WV ZONE NAME	UGC Z	WV ZONE NAME
	/BY COUNTY/		/BY COUNTY/		/BY COUNTY/
WVZ052-	BERKELEY	WVZ048-	GRANT	WVZ050-	HAMPSHIRE
WVZ055-	HARDY	WVZ053-	JEFFERSON	WVZ049-	MINERAL
WVZ051-	MORGAN	WVZ054-	PENDLETON		

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS...PLEASE CONTACT THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE AT THE BALTIMORE MD/WASHINGTON DC /STERLING VIRGINIA/ FORECAST OFFICE:

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