

NOUS41 KWBC 071905
PNSWSH

Service Change Notice 19-19
National Weather Service Silver Spring MD
305 PM EST Thu Mar 7 2019

TO: Subscribers:
 -NOAA Weather Wire Service
 -Emergency Managers Weather Information Network
 -NOAAPORT
 Other NWS partners and NWS employees

FROM: Allison Allen
 Chief, Marine, Tropical, and Tsunami Services
 Branch

Subject: Enhanced Group Calling (EGC) messages via INMARSAT C \\
 to Provide Urgent Code 2 for all Weather Systems with
 Hurricane Force Winds, effective April 9, 2019

Effective Tuesday, April 9, 2019, the NWS Ocean Prediction Center (OPC) will assure the Enhanced Group Calling (EGC) messages transmitted via INMARSAT C for the High Seas Forecasts (HSF) is set to Urgent Code 2 for all events with hurricane force winds (i.e., over 64 kts). Previously, Urgent Code 2 was only used for tropical storm and hurricane events.

For more information, please contact:

Darin Figurskey
Operations Branch Chief
Ocean Prediction Center
College Park, MD
301-683-1497
darin.figurskey@noaa.gov

National Service Change Notices are online at:

<https://www.weather.gov/notification/>

NNNN