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PUBLIC INFORMATION STATEMENT...TECHNICAL IMPLEMENTATION NOTICE 00-05 NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE HEADQUARTERS WASHINGTON DC 1230 PM EST MON FEB 28 2000

- TO: FAMILY OF SERVICES /FOS/ SUBSCRIBERS NOAA WEATHER WIRE SERVICE /NWWS/ AND EMWIN SUBSCRIBERS NOAAPORT SUBSCRIBERS OTHER NWS CUSTOMERS...PARTNERS AND EMPLOYEES
- FROM: THERESE Z. PIERCE CHIEF...HYDROMETEOROLOGICAL SERVICES

SUBJECT: NEW EXPANDED AND ENHANCED DAY TWO AND THREE QUANTITATIVE PRECIPITATION FORECAST /QPF/ PRODUCTS...EFFECTIVE MARCH 20 2000

THE HYDROMETEOROLOGICAL PREDICTION CENTER /HPC/ OF THE NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE /NWS/...NATIONAL CENTERS FOR ENVIRONMENTAL PREDICTION...WILL EXPAND AND ENHANCE ITS QUANTITATIVE PRECIPITATION FORECAST /QPF/ PRODUCT SUITE...EFFECTIVE AT 1200 COORDINATED UNIVERSAL TIME /UTC/ MARCH 20 2000. THE HPC WILL ISSUE NEW SIX-HOUR /6-HOUR/ DAY TWO AND DAY THREE QPF PRODUCTS. THE 6-HOUR DAY TWO QPF WILL BE ISSUED TWICE DAILY AND YEAR ROUND...WHILE 6-HOUR DAY THREE QPF WILL BE ISSUED ONCE PER DAY FOR THE SEVEN-MONTH PERIOD EXTENDING FROM SEPTEMBER 15 THROUGH APRIL 15. THESE ENHANCEMENTS ARE DRIVEN BY REQUIREMENTS FROM THE DIVERSE NWS USER COMMUNITY.

FOR THE 1200-1200 UTC FORECAST CYCLE...6-HOUR DAY TWO AND DAY THREE QPFS WILL BE ISSUED AT 1015 UTC. FOR THE 0000-0000 UTC FORECAST CYCLE...6-HOUR DAY TWO QPFS WILL BE ISSUED AT 2215 UTC. THE TABLES BELOW SHOW THE ALPHANUMERIC PRODUCT IDENTIFICATION...WORLD METEOROLOGICAL ORGANIZATION /WMO/ HEADING AND SPECIFIC TIME PERIODS COVERED BY EACH OF THESE NEW 6-HOUR DAY TWO AND DAY THREE PRODUCTS.

DAY TWO	WMO HEADING	1200 UTC CYCLE	0000 UTC CYCLE VALID TIMES
9GE	PEBF98 KWNH	1200-1800 UTC	0000-0600 UTC 30-36 HRS
9HE	PEBG98 KWNH	1800-0000 UTC	0600-1200 UTC 36-42 HRS
9IE	PEBH98 KWNH	0000-0600 UTC	1200-1800 UTC 42-48 HRS
9JE	PEBI88 KWNH	0600-1200 UTC	1800-0000 UTC 48-54 HRS
DAY THREE	WMO HEADING	1200 UTC CYCLE	VALID TIMES
9KE	PEBI98 KWNH	1200-1800 UTC	54-60 HRS
9LE	PEBJ88 KWNH	1800-0000 UTC	60-66 HRS
9ME	PEBJ98 KWNH	0000-0600 UTC	66-72 HRS
9ne	PEBK98 KWNH	0600-1200 UTC	72-78 HRS
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CONSISTENT WITH OTHER RECENTLY ENHANCED HPC QPF PRODUCTS...PRECIPITATION CONTOURS WILL START AT ONE ONE-HUNDREDTH INCHES /MEASURABLE PRECIPITATION/.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION...INCLUDING A DETAILED PRODUCT SCHEDULE AND EXAMPLES OF PRODUCT FORMATS...CAN BE FOUND AT /USE LOWER CASE/:

HTTP://WWW.HPC.NCEP.NOAA.GOV/QPF/QPF2.HTML

QUESTIONS CONCERNING THESE MODIFICATIONS SHOULD BE ADDRESSED TO:

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