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PUBLIC INFO STATEMENT...TECH IMPLEMENTATION NOTICE 03-16...CORRECTED
NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE HEADQUARTERS WASHINGTON DC
140 AM EST WED MAR 26 2003

TO NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE /NWS/ OFFICES
FAMILY OF SERVICES SUBSCRIBERS
NOAAPORT SUBSCRIBERS
OTHER CUSTOMERS OF NCEP MODEL GRAPHICS

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SUBJECT CORRECTED: QUARTERLY SUPER COMPUTER BACKUP TEST
PLANNED DURING FOR THE 1300 AND 1400 UTC RUC MODEL
CYCLES ON APRIL 2 2003

CORRECTED TO ADD TECHNICAL IMPLEMENTATION NOTICE /TIN/ REFERENCE
NUMBER /03-16/ IN MASS NEWS DISSEMINATOR BLOCK ABOVE

NOTE...THE FOLLOWING CHANGES HAVE NO IMPACT ON NOAA WEATHER WIRE
SUBSCRIBERS.

BARING CRITICAL WEATHER...ON WEDNESDAY APRIL 2 2003...NCEP
CENTRAL OPERATIONS /NCO/ WILL TEST ITS BACKUP MODEL DATA
DISSEMINATION SYSTEM. FOR THIS TEST...NCO WILL DISSEMINATE
BACKUP RAPID UPDATE CYCLE /RUC/ PRODUCTS FROM THE FORECAST
SYSTEMS LABORATORY /FSL/ DURING THE 13 AND 14 COORDINATED
UNIVERSAL TIME /UTC/ MODEL CYCLES. THESE PRODUCTS...WHICH WILL
BE DISSEMINATED TO AWIPS/NOAAPORT AND BOTH THE NCEP AND NWS FTP
SERVERS...WILL LOOK EXACTLY LIKE THE NCEP RUC PRODUCTS. DELAYED
DELIVERY TIMES OF THESE PRODUCTS ARE THE ONLY IMPACT END USERS
SHOULD OBSERVE. AVERAGE DELIVERY TIMES FOR THESE RUNS ARE AS
FOLLOWS...

13 UTC BACKUP RUC -- PRODUCTS AVAILABLE BY 14:25 UTC

14 UTC BACKUP RUC -- PRODUCTS AVAILABLE BY 15:25 UTC

THIS IS APPROXIMATELY 35 MINUTES LATER THAN THE NCEP VERSION OF
THE RUC.

FURTHER INFORMATION ON THE TYPE OF PRODUCTS AVAILABLE FROM THE
NCEP BACKUP PROCESSING AND THEIR APPROXIMATE DELIVERY TIMES CAN
BE FOUND AT THE FOLLOWING WEB SITE /USE LOWER CASE LETTERS EXCEPT
FOR NCO AND PMB/

http://www.ncep.noaa.gov/NCO/PMB/nwprod/osobackup/ncep_backup.html

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UPPER CASE LETTERS

DURING THIS TEST WE WILL MAKE LOOK-ALIKE NCEP RUC GRIDS AVAILABLE AT THE NWS FTP SERVER. ON THE DAY OF THE TEST THESE PRODUCTS CAN BE FOUND IN THE SAME DIRECTORIES THAT THE RUC MODEL DATA NORMALLY RESIDE. THIS SERVER IS LOCATED AT /USE LOWER CASE LETTERS/

<ftp://tgftp.nws.noaa.gov/sl.us008001/st.opnl/>

ADDITIONALLY...BACKUP DATA SETS /FROM AFWA, FNMOC, AND NOAA/FSL/ IN THEIR NATIVE FORMAT CAN BE FOUND AT /USE LOWER CASE LETTERS/

ftp://ftpprd.ncep.noaa.gov/pub/data/nccf_backup/

THESE DATA ARE AVAILABLE ALL THE TIME ON THIS SERVER.

AS ALWAYS...NCEP APPRECIATES YOUR PATIENCE DURING THESE EXERCISES WHICH ARE NECESSARY TO ASSURE THE CONTINUED FLOW OF MODEL GUIDANCE IN THE EVENT OF AN OUTAGE AT OUR SUPER COMPUTER FACILITY.

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS CONCERNING THE NCEP SUPER COMPUTER BACKUP TEST PLEASE CONTACT

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