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PUBLIC INFORMATION STATEMENT...TECHNICAL IMPLEMENTATION NOTICE 03-41 NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE HEADQUARTERS WASHINGTON DC 420 PM EDT WED SEP 24 2003

TO: FAMILY OF SERVICES /FOS/ SUBSCRIBERS

EMERGENCY MANAGERS WEATHER INFORMATION NETWORK /EMWIN/

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OTHER CUSTOMERS OF NWS OBSERVATION DATA

NWS OFFICES AND EMPLOYEES

FROM: JOSEPH FACUNDO

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SUBJECT: RADIOSONDE TYPE CHANGE AT THREE NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE UPPER AIR STATIONS...EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1 2003 AT 0000 UTC

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

ON OCTOBER 1 2003 AT 0000 COORDINATED UNIVERSAL TIME /UTC/...THE FOLLOWING NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE UPPER-AIR STATIONS WILL BEGIN USE OF THE SIPPICAN LORAN MICROSONDE WITH A CHIP THERMISTOR /I.E...TEMPERATURE SENSOR/:

STATION	WMO ID NUMBER
ALBANY NY	72518
WALLOPS ISLAND VA	72402
CHARLESTON SC	72208

NOTE: THESE STATIONS WILL APPLY A SOLAR RADIATION CORRECTION TO THE TEMPERATURE DATA PRIOR TO ITS TRANSMISSION TO DATA USERS.

AFTER THE SEPTEMBER 30 2003 AT 1200 UTC OBSERVATION...THE ABOVE STATIONS WILL STOP ALL OPERATIONAL USE OF THE SIPPICAN LORAN MICROSONDE WITH THE SHORT-ROD THERMISTOR THAT DOES NOT APPLY ANY SOLAR OR INFRARED CORRECTION TO THE TEMPERATURE DATA PRIOR TO ITS TRANSMISSION.

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS ABOUT THIS CHANGE...PLEASE CONTACT:

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