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TECHNICAL IMPLEMENTATION NOTICE 04-43
NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE HEADQUARTERS WASHINGTON DC
930 AM EDT MON AUG 30 2004

TO: FAMILY OF SERVICES /FOS/ SUBSCRIBERS...NOAA WEATHER
WIRE SERVICE /NWWS/ SUBSCRIBERS...EMERGENCY MANAGERS
WEATHER INFORMATION NETWORK /EMWIN/ SUBSCRIBERS...
OTHER NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE /NWS/ CUSTOMERS AND
PARTNERS...NWS EMPLOYEES

FROM: PAUL HIRSCHBERG
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SUBJECT: REVISION OF WMO HEADERS ON NCEP/HPC GRIDDED
PRODUCTS...EFFECTIVE NOVEMBER 9 2004

ON NOVEMBER 9 2004 AT 1200 COORDINATED UNIVERSAL TIME /UTC/
...THE NATIONAL CENTERS FOR ENVIRONMENTAL PREDICTION /NCEP/
HYDROMETEOROLOGICAL PREDICTION CENTER /HPC/ WILL CHANGE THE WMO
HEADERS FOR ITS SENSIBLE WEATHER GUIDANCE. THIS CHANGE IS
REQUIRED TO ACCURATELY IDENTIFY THESE PRODUCTS AS BEING ENCODED
IN GRIB2 FORMAT VERSUS GRIB1 FORMAT. AFTER THIS CHANGE THESE HPC
PRODUCTS WILL HAVE AN L IN THE FIRST CHARACTER OF THEIR WMO
HEADER INSTEAD OF A Y. A LIST OF THE OLD AND CORRESPONDING NEW
WMO HEADERS CAN BE FOUND AT THE FOLLOWING WEBSITE /USE LOWER CASE
LETTERS/:

[HTTP://WWW.NCO.NCEP.NOAA.GOV/PMB/CHANGES/HPCGRIDS.SHTML](http://www.nco.ncep.noaa.gov/pmb/changes/hpcgrids.shtml)

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS CONCERNING THIS WMO HEADER
CHANGE...PLEASE CONTACT:

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