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- TO: FAMILY OF SERVICES /FOS/ SUBSCRIBERS NOAA WEATHER WIRE SERVICE /NWWS/ SUBSCRIBERS EMERGENCY MANAGERS WEATHER INFORMATION NETWORK /EMWIN/ SUBSCRIBERS NOAAPORT SUBSCRIBERS OTHER NWS PARTNERS...USERS AND EMPLOYEES
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SUBJECT: NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL SATELLITE...DATA AND INFORMATION SERVICE POLAR SATELLITE MICROWAVE PRODUCTS TO BE ADDED TO NOAAPORT: EFFECTIVE JULY 24 2007

EFFECTIVE TUESDAY JULY 24 2007...BEGINNING AT APPROXIMATELY 1500 COORDINATED UNIVERSAL TIME /UTC/...THE NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL SATELLITE...DATA AND INFORMATION SERVICE /NESDIS/ AND NWS WILL BEGIN DISSEMINATION OF POLAR SATELLITE /MICROWAVE BASED/ PRODUCTS VIA NOAAPORT.

THIS ADDITION CONSISTS OF TWO PRODUCTS /I.E...TWO PARAMETERS/...TOTAL PRECIPITABLE WATER /TPW/ ESTIMATES AND RAINFALL RATE ESTIMATES.

ONE VERSION OF THESE PRODUCTS IS GENERATED BASED ON THE ADVANCED MICROWAVE SOUNDING UNIT /AMSU/ FROM THE NESDIS POLAR ORBITING OPERATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL SATELLITES /POES/ AND ON THE EUROPEAN METEOROLOGICAL OPERATIONAL SATELLITE PROGRAMME /METOP/...WHEN THE METOP SPACECRAFT BECOMES FULLY OPERATIONAL IN MAY 2007.

A SECOND VERSION OF THESE PRODUCTS IS GENERATED BASED ON THE SPECIAL SENSOR MICROWAVE IMAGER /SSMI/ FROM THE DEFENSE METEOROLOGICAL SATELLITE PROGRAM /DMSP/.

BEGINNING WITH THE F-16 DMSP SPACECRAFT...THE SPECIAL SENSOR MICROWAVE IMAGER SOUNDER /SSMIS/ WILL REPLACE THE SSMI AS A BASIS FOR THESE PRODUCTS. INITIALLY...MICROWAVE SENSOR DATA FROM THE FOLLOWING SPACECRAFT AND INSTRUMENTS WILL BE USED IN THE GENERATION OF THESE PRODUCTS AS FOLLOWS:

ECRAFT	INSTRUMENT	
NOAA-15	AMSU	
NOAA-17	AMSU	
NOAA-18	AMSU	
F-13	SSMI	
F-14	SSMI	
	ECRAFT NOAA-15 NOAA-17 NOAA-18 F-13 F-14	

WHEN METOP-A BECOMES OPERATIONAL...ITS PRODUCTS WILL REPLACE NOAA-17 AMSU PRODUCTS. NOAA-16 AND F-15 PRODUCTS WILL ALSO BE RESTORED AND ADDED TO THE PRODUCT SUITE. THUS...IN THE FUTURE...IT IS ANTICIPATED THAT THESE PRODUCTS WILL BE BASED ON SENSOR DATA FROM THE FOLLOWING SPACECRAFT AND INSTRUMENTS:

SPACE	ECRAFT	INSTRUMENT	
POES	NOAA-15	AMSU	
POES	NOAA-16	AMSU	
POES	NOAA-18	AMSU	
METOP-A		AMSU	
DMSP	F-13	SSMI	
DMSP	F-14	SSMI	
DMSP	F-15	SSMI	

OVER TIME...AS OLDER SPACECRAFT ARE RETIRED...DATA FROM NEWER SPACECRAFT AND INSTRUMENTS MAY BE BROUGHT ON LINE.

THE NOAAPORT-PRODUCED MICROWAVE PRODUCTS WILL BE PROVIDED FOR FOUR GEOGRAPHICAL REGIONS AS SHOWN BELOW IN TABLE 1. EACH TYPE OF PRODUCT WILL BE DISTRIBUTED AT A FREQUENCY OF APPROXIMATELY ONE PER HOUR. EACH PRODUCT WILL CONTAIN COMPOSITES OF MULTIPLE RECENT ORBITS. THE APPROXIMATE HORIZONTAL RESOLUTION OF THESE PRODUCTS WILL BE 8 KILOMETERS.

TABLE 1. PARAMETERS...INSTRUMENT...GEOGRAPHICAL REGIONS...WORLD METEOROLOGICAL ORGANIZATION /WMO/ HEADINGS AND APPROXIMATE PER-PRODUCT DATA VOLUMES

PARAMETER	INSTRUMENT	SECTOR	WMO HEADING	SIZE
TPW	AMSU	SUPERNATIONAL	TITN17 KNES	1550 KB
TPW	AMSU	ALASKA NATIONAL	TITB17 KNES	886 KB
TPW	AMSU	HAWAII NATIONAL	TITI17 KNES	2990 KB
TPW	AMSU	PUERTO RICO NATIONAL	TITQ17 KNES	886 KB
TPW	SSMI	SUPERNATIONAL	TIDN17 KNES	1550 KB
TPW	SSMI	ALASKA NATIONAL	TIDB17 KNES	886 KB
TPW	SSMI	HAWAII NATIONAL	TIDI17 KNES	2990 KB
TPW	SSMI	PUERTO RICO NATIONAL	TIDQ17 KNES	886 KB
RAINFALL RATE	AMSU	SUPERNATIONAL	TITN29 KNES	1550 KB
RAINFALL RATE	AMSU	ALASKA NATIONAL	TITB29 KNES	886 KB
RAINFALL RATE	AMSU	HAWAII NATIONAL	TITI29 KNES	2990 KB
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RAINFALL RATE	SSMI	PUERTO RICO NATIONAL	TIDQ29 KNES	886 KB

THE SUPERNATIONAL SECTORS COVER THE CONTIGUOUS U.S. /CONUS/ AREA AND THEY WILL BE DISSEMINATED VIA THE NOAAPORT GOES DVB CHANNEL /JOINING EXISTING NESDIS IMAGERY/. THE OUTSIDE THE CONUS SECTORS /I.E. ALASKA...HAWAII AND PUERTO RICO/ WILL BE DISSEMINATED VIA THE OCONUS DVB CHANNEL /ALSO CALLED THE FOURTH DVB CHANNEL/. THE FORMAT OF THESE PRODUCTS IS SIMILAR TO THAT OF EXISTING NOAAPORT SATELLITE IMAGERY ON THOSE DVB CHANNELS...AND IS DESCRIBED IN THE INTERFACE CONTROL DOCUMENT FOR THE ADVANCED WEATHER INTERACTIVE PROCESSING SYSTEM /AWIPS/ AND NESDIS /USE LOWER CASE FOR ICD AND CH/:

HTTP://WWW.NWS.NOAA.GOV/NOAAPORT/DOCUMENT/ICD%20CH5-2005-1.PDF

PRECIPITABLE WATER PRODUCT EXAMPLES CAN BE FOUND AT /USE LOWER CASE EXCEPT FOR PS...TROP...DATA AND RT/:

HTTP://WWW.SSD.NOAA.GOV/PS/TROP/DATA/RT/NWATL-AMPW-LOOP.HTML

THE RAINFALL RATE PRODUCTS WILL PROVIDE COVERAGE OVER THE LAND AND MARINE AREAS...EXCEPT WHERE THERE IS SNOW ON THE GROUND OR SEA ICE. INITIALLY...THE TOTAL PRECIPITABLE WATER PRODUCTS WILL PROVIDE COVERAGE FOR MARINE AREAS ONLY...THOUGH THIS COVERAGE WILL LATER BE AUGMENTED TO INCLUDE LAND COVERAGE AS WELL.

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS CONCERNING THE NOAAPORT ACTIVATION OF THESE PRODUCTS...PLEASE CONTACT:

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IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS CONCERNING THE TECHNICAL DETAILS OF THESE PRODUCTS OR THEIR GENERATION...PLEASE CONTACT:

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HTTPS://WWW.WEATHER.GOV/NOTIFICATION/ARCHIVE

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