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TECHNICAL IMPLEMENTATION NOTICE 08-75  
NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE HEADQUARTERS WASHINGTON DC  
450 PM EDT WED OCT 1 2008

TO: SUBSCRIBERS:  
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SUBJECT: WIND PROFILER DATA PRODUCTS TEMPORARILY  
DISCONTINUED

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1 2008 ALL NWS WIND PROFILER PRODUCTS WILL  
BE UNAVAILABLE FOR APPROXIMATELY 3 TO 5 WEEKS.

THE SUSPENSION IN AVAILABILITY OF WIND PROFILER DATA IS  
NECESSARY BECAUSE OF RECENTLY IDENTIFIED IT SECURITY  
THREATS. THE WIND PROFILER NETWORK CURRENTLY OPERATES ON  
OBSOLETE EQUIPMENT THAT CAN NOT SUPPORT NECESSARY IT  
SECURITY METHODS. INTERCONNECTION TO MAJOR NWS SYSTEMS  
EXTENDS THE VULNERABILITY TO OTHER NWS IT SYSTEMS.

NWS IS WORKING ON AN ALTERNATE PLAN WITHIN NOAA /WITH THE  
METEOROLOGICAL ASSIMILATION DATA INGEST SYSTEM GROUP IN NOAA  
RESEARCH/ THAT WILL ALLOW HOURLY WIND PROFILER DATA TO BE  
AVAILABLE FROM EACH SITE. NWS IS CONTINUING TO WORK TO MAKE  
SIX MINUTE DATA AVAILABLE AND WILL UPDATE PROGRESS AT A  
LATER DATE.

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