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TO: FAMILY OF SERVICES /FOS/ SUBSCRIBERS
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SUBJECT: HAZCOLLECT NON-WEATHER EMERGENCY MESSAGE TESTING FROM NOVEMBER 7
TO 22 2006

A HAZCOLLECT FIELD OPERATIONAL DEMONSTRATION IS SCHEDULED FROM NOVEMBER 7
TO NOVEMBER 22 2006. HAZCOLLECT IS A SYSTEM DEVELOPED BY NWS TO RELAY
EMERGENCY MESSAGES FROM NON-NWS SOURCES USING DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND
SECURITY AND NWS SYSTEMS.

HAZCOLLECT TESTING WILL SEND NON-WEATHER RELATED EMERGENCY TEXT PRODUCTS
WITH THE FOLLOWING WORLD METEOROLOGICAL ORGANIZATION /WMO/ HEADINGS:

WOUSII CCCC FOR PRODUCTS IN THE CONTIGUOUS UNITED STATES
WOAKII CCCC FOR PRODUCTS IN ALASKA
WOCA42 TJSJ FOR PRODUCTS IN PUERTO RICO AND THE VIRGIN ISLANDS
WOHW40 PHFO... WOGM40 PGUM AND WOZS40 NSTU FOR PRODUCTS IN THE PACIFIC
AREA

ADVANCED WEATHER INTERACTIVE PROCESSING SYSTEM /AWIPS/ IDENTIFIERS
/NNNXXX/ WILL BE INCLUDED IN EACH PRODUCT WHERE NNN IS THE AWIPS PRODUCT
CATEGORY AND XXX IS THE IDENTIFIER OF THE RELAYING NWS OFFICE OR THE TWO-
LETTER UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE /USPS/ ID OF THE AFFECTED STATE OR
TERRITORY. THE FOLLOWING AWIPS IDENTIFIER PRODUCT CATEGORIES /NNN/ ARE
AUTHORIZED FOR USE IN EACH OF THE PRODUCTS IDENTIFIED BY THE WMO HEADINGS
DESCRIBED ABOVE:

AWIPS NNN	MASS NEWS DISSEMINATOR /MND/ PRODUCT TYPE LINE
ADR	ADMINISTRATIVE MESSAGE/FOLLOWUP STATEMENT
AVA	AVALANCHE WATCH
AVW	AVALANCHE WARNING
CAE	CHILD ABDUCTION EMERGENCY
CDW	CIVIL DANGER WARNING
CEM	CIVIL EMERGENCY MESSAGE
EQW	EARTHQUAKE WARNING
EVI	EVACUATION IMMEDIATE
FRW	FIRE WARNING

HMW	HAZARDOUS MATERIALS WARNING
LEW	LAW ENFORCEMENT WARNING
LAE	LOCAL AREA EMERGENCY
TOE	911 TELEPHONE OUTAGE EMERGENCY
NUW	NUCLEAR POWER PLANT WARNING
RHW	RADIOLOGICAL HAZARD WARNING
SPW	SHELTER IN PLACE
VOW	VOLCANO WARNING

PLEASE PREPARE FOR TRANSMISSION OF TEST MESSAGES BETWEEN NOVEMBER 7 AND NOVEMBER 22 2006. ALMOST ALL TEST MESSAGES WILL BE SENT AS PRODUCT CATEGORY ADR TO MINIMIZE IMPACT ON USERS OF NWS INFORMATION AND NON-WEATHER EMERGENCY MESSAGES. MESSAGES WILL BE SENT ACCORDING TO THE SCHEDULE BELOW. TEST MESSAGES WILL BE ONE OF TWO TYPES:

A NATIONAL TEST MESSAGE TO ORIGINATE WEDNESDAY NOVEMBER 8 AT ABOUT 1815 COORDINATED UNIVERSAL TIME /UTC/ OR 115 PM EASTERN STANDARD TIME TO TEST DISTRIBUTION OF EMERGENCY MESSAGES OF NATIONAL SIGNIFICANCE. THE NATIONAL TEST MESSAGE WILL BE DISSEMINATED UNDER WMO HEADINGS INCLUDED IN THE LIST ABOVE AND WITH AN ASSOCIATED AWIPS IDENTIFIER ADRXX WHERE XX IS THE TWO-LETTER USPS ID OF A STATE OR TERRITORY.

LOCAL TEST MESSAGES TO ORIGINATE BY LOCAL OR STATE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT PERSONNEL IN THE VICINITY OF EACH OF THE LISTED NWS OFFICES. MULTIPLE LOCAL TEST PRODUCTS ARE PLANNED IN FLORIDA...SOUTHERN GEORGIA AND SOUTHWEST ALABAMA ON NOVEMBER 7 AND 8. A LOCAL TEST MESSAGE IS PLANNED IN THE AREA OF EACH OF THE TEST LOCATIONS LISTED BELOW AT ABOUT 1000 AM LOCAL TIME EACH DAY MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY STARTING ON THE RESPECTIVE DATES AND CONTINUING THROUGH NOVEMBER 22. LOCAL NWS OFFICES WILL ISSUE LOCAL PUBLIC INFORMATION STATEMENTS ONE OR MORE DAYS BEFORE TESTING BEGINS.

TALLAHASSEE FL	NOVEMBER 7
PADUCAH KY	NOVEMBER 13
SACRAMENTO CA	NOVEMBER 13
MONTEREY CA	NOVEMBER 13

VARIOUS PARAMETERS OF THE TEST MESSAGES WILL CHANGE...SUCH AS MESSAGE TYPE...CREATION TIME...SOURCE AND NWS OFFICE...AND TEST MESSAGE NUMBER. HAZCOLLECT TEST MESSAGES ARE INTENDED TO BE DISTRIBUTED OVER ALL NWS SYSTEMS FOR WHICH NON-WEATHER EMERGENCY MESSAGES ARE CURRENTLY SCHEDULED. THE ADR ADMINISTRATIVE MESSAGE/FOLLOW UP STATEMENT IS INTENDED TO BE BROADCAST ON THE NOAA WEATHER RADIO ALL HAZARDS NETWORK BUT IN MOST GEOGRAPHIC AREAS OF THE COUNTRY...LOCAL AND STATE EMERGENCY ALERT SYSTEM /EAS/ PLANS DO NOT INTEND FOR THE ADR MESSAGE TO BE BROADCAST. A SAMPLE TEST MESSAGE FOLLOWS.

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BULLETIN - EAS ACTIVATION REQUESTED
ADMINISTRATIVE MESSAGE/FOLLOW UP STATEMENT
NWS TEST HQ NATIONAL COG SILVER SPRING MD
RELAYED BY NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE STATE COLLEGE PA
115 PM EST WED NOV 8 2006

THIS MESSAGE IS FOR TEST PURPOSES ONLY. THIS IS TEST MESSAGE NUMBER 1.

THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE IS TRANSMITTED AT THE REQUEST OF THE NWS TEST HQ
NATIONAL COG.

THIS IS A TEST MESSAGE. THIS IS A TEST OF THE CAPABILITY TO RELAY
EMERGENCY MESSAGES FROM NON-NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE SOURCES USING
DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY AND NWS SYSTEMS. THIS TEST MESSAGE MAY BE
RELAYED BY EMERGENCY ALERT SYSTEM PARTICIPATING STATIONS IN ACCORDANCE
WITH LOCAL AND STATE EAS PLANS.

THIS IS A TEST MESSAGE. DO NOT TAKE ACTION BASED ON THIS TEST MESSAGE.

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END SAMPLE TEST MESSAGE.

INFORMATION ON THE HAZCOLLECT PROGRAM CAN BE FOUND AT THE HAZCOLLECT WEB
SITE AT /USE LOWER CASE/:

[HTTP://WWW.NWS.NOAA.GOV/OS/HAZCOLLECT](http://www.nws.noaa.gov/os/HAZCOLLECT)

NON-WEATHER RELATED EMERGENCY MESSAGES ARE ORIGINATED BY LOCAL...STATE OR
FEDERAL CIVIL AUTHORITIES AND AT THEIR REQUEST MAY BE RELAYED BY THE
NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE IN NON-WEATHER RELATED TEXT PRODUCTS...AND OVER
NOAA WEATHER RADIO ALL HAZARDS /NWR/ AND THE EAS. THE NATIONAL WEATHER
SERVICE DOES NOT INITIATE NON-WEATHER RELATED EMERGENCY MESSAGES. NWS
INSTRUCTION 10-518 INCLUDES THE SPECIFICATIONS FOR THESE PRODUCTS. NWS
INSTRUCTION 10-518 APPENDIX C DEFINES CONTENT GUIDELINES FOR EACH NON-
WEATHER EMERGENCY MESSAGE TYPE.

NWS INSTRUCTION 10-518 IS AVAILABLE ON THE INTERNET AT /USE LOWER CASE/:

[HTTPS://WWW.NWS.NOAA.GOV/DIRECTIVES/SYM/PD01005018CURR.PDF](https://www.nws.noaa.gov/directives/sym/PD01005018CURR.PDF)

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[HTTPS://WWW.WEATHER.GOV/NOTIFICATION/ARCHIVE](https://www.weather.gov/notification/archive)

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