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PUBLIC INFORMATION STATEMENT...COMMENT REQUEST  
NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE HEADQUARTERS WASHINGTON DC  
202 PM EDT TUE AUG 29 2006

TO: NOAAPORT SUBSCRIBERS  
NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE /NWS/ CUSTOMERS AND PARTNERS  
USERS OF GREAT LAKES WEATHER FORECASTS  
NWS EMPLOYEES

FROM: THERESE Z. PIERCE  
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SUBJECT: SOLICITING COMMENTS FOR EXPERIMENTAL GREAT LAKES PORT FORECAST  
PRODUCT BEGINNING OCTOBER 3 2006

FROM OCTOBER 3 2006 THROUGH JANUARY 31 2007...NWS WILL BE SEEKING COMMENTS  
ON THE EXPERIMENTAL GREAT LAKES PORT FORECAST PRODUCT.

EFFECTIVE TUESDAY OCTOBER 3 AT 0001 COORDINATED UNIVERSAL TIME /UTC/...THE  
WEATHER FORECAST OFFICES /WFOS/ SERVING THE UNITED STATES GREAT LAKES WILL  
IMPLEMENT AN EXPERIMENTAL PORT FORECAST. EACH PORT FORECAST WILL BE  
PRESENTED IN TWO FORMATS: A CODED MAFOR FORMAT AND A TABULAR FORMAT.

THESE PRODUCTS WILL BE ISSUED DAILY AROUND 0200 UTC...0800 UTC...1400 UTC  
AND 2000 UTC. PRODUCTS ARE FOR THE FOLLOWING LAKES AND PORTS USING NEW  
WORLD METEOROLOGICAL ORGANIZATION /WMO/ HEADERS AND NEW ADVANCED WEATHER  
INTERACTIVE PROCESSING SYSTEM /AWIPS/ IDS. USERS MUST ADD THE FOLLOWING  
PRODUCT HEADERS TO THEIR DATABASES TO BEGIN RECEIVING THESE PRODUCTS:

LAKE SUPERIOR	WMO HEADING	AWIPS ID
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TWO HARBORS MINNESOTA	FZUS53 KDLH	CPFDLH
DULUTH HARBOR MINNESOTA	FZUS53 KDLH	CPFDLH
PRESQUE ISLE HARBOR	FZUS53 KMQT	CPFMQT
WHITEFISH POINT MICHIGAN	FZUS53 KAPX	CPFAPX
THE SOO LOCKS MICHIGAN	FZUS53 KAPX	CPFAPX

LAKE MICHIGAN	WMO HEADING	AWIPS ID
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ESCANABA HARBOR MICHIGAN	FZUS53 KMQT	CPFMQT
FRANKFORT MICHIGAN	FZUS53 KAPX	CPFAPX
STURGEON BAY ENTRANCE	FZUS53 KGRB	CPFGRB
GREEN BAY WISCONSIN	FZUS53 KGRB	CPFGRB
MILWAUKEE HARBOR WISCONSIN	FZUS53 KMKX	CPFMKX
CALUMET RIVER ENTRANCE	FZUS53 KLOT	CPFLOT
BURNS HARBOR INDIANA	FZUS53 KLOT	CPFLOT
ST. JOSEPH HARBOR MICHIGAN	FZUS53 KIWX	CPFIWX
GRAND HAVEN HARBOR MICHIGAN	FZUS53 KGRR	CPFGRR

LAKE HURON -----	WMO HEADING -----	AWIPS ID -----
CALCITE HARBOR MICHIGAN	FZUS53 KAPX	CPFAPX
ALPENA HARBOR MICHIGAN	FZUS53 KAPX	CPFAPX
PORT OF SAGINAW MICHIGAN	FZUS53 KDTX	CPFDTX
PORT HURON MICHIGAN	FZUS53 KDTX	CPFDTX

THE DETROIT RIVER -----	WMO HEADING -----	AWIPS ID -----
PORT OF DETROIT	FZUS53 KDTX	CPFDTX

LAKE ERIE -----	WMO HEADING -----	AWIPS ID -----
TOLEDO HARBOR	FZUS51 KCLE	CPFCLC
CLEVELAND HARBOR	FZUS51 KCLE	CPFCLC
ASHTABULA HARBOR	FZUS51 KCLE	CPFCLC
BUFFALO HARBOR	FZUS51 KBUF	CPFBUF

LAKE ONTARIO -----	WMO HEADING -----	AWIPS ID -----
ROCHESTER HARBOR	FZUS51 KBUF	CPFBUF
OSWEGO HARBOR	FZUS51 KBUF	CPFBUF

THE PORT FORECASTS WILL BE DISSEMINATED VIA THE GREAT LAKES DIGITAL MARINE WEATHER DISSEMINATION SYSTEM /DMAWDS/...AND ON THE HOMEPAGES OF THE GREAT LAKES WFOS. ACCESS TO EACH OF THE GREAT LAKES WFO WEBPAGES IS AVAILABLE THROUGH THE MAIN NWS WEBSITE AT /USE LOWER CASE/:

[HTTP://WWW.WEATHER.GOV](http://www.weather.gov)

THE PORT FORECASTS WILL PROVIDE A FORECAST FOR A VALID TIME PERIOD OF 24 HOURS. MORE DETAILED INFORMATION ON THESE PORT FORECASTS IS PROVIDED IN THE PRODUCT DESCRIPTION DOCUMENT POSTED ONLINE AT /USE LOWER CASE/:

[HTTP://PRODUCTS.WEATHER.GOV/VIEWLISTE.PHP](http://products.weather.gov/viewliste.php)

THIS IS AN EXPERIMENTAL SERVICE. USERS OF THE PRODUCT ARE ENCOURAGED TO PROVIDE FEEDBACK BY USING THE BRIEF SURVEY AND COMMENT FORM AVAILABLE ONLINE AT /USE LOWER CASE/:

[HTTP://WWW.WEATHER.GOV/SURVEY/NWS-SURVEY.PHP?CODE=CPF](http://www.weather.gov/survey/nws-survey.php?code=CPF)

FOR QUESTIONS REGARDING THIS NEW SERVICE...PLEASE CONTACT:

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