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PUBLIC INFORMATION STATEMENT...COMMENT REQUEST...AMENDED NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE HEADQUARTERS WASHINGTON DC 1049 AM EDT MON JUL 9 2007

TO: NOAAPORT SUBSCRIBERS

NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE /NWS/ CUSTOMERS...PARTNERS AND

EMPLOYEES

USERS OF GREAT LAKES WEATHER FORECASTS

FROM: THERESE Z. PIERCE

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SUBJECT: AMENDED: SOLICITING COMMENTS FOR EXPERIMENTAL GREAT LAKES CODED PORT FORECAST PRODUCT BEGINNING OCTOBER 3 2006 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30 2008

AMENDED TO EXTEND PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30 2008.

FROM OCTOBER 3 2006 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30 2008...THE NWS IS SEEKING COMMENTS ON THE EXPERIMENTAL GREAT LAKES PORT FORECAST PRODUCT.

BEGINNING OCTOBER 3 2006... THE WEATHER FORECAST OFFICES SERVING THE UNITED STATES GREAT LAKES IMPLEMENTED AN EXPERIMENTAL PORT FORECAST. EACH PORT FORECAST IS PRESENTED IN TWO FORMATS: A CODED MARINE FORECAST /MAFOR/FORMAT AND A TABULAR FORMAT.

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

LAKE SUPERIOR	WMO HEADING	AWIPS HEADING
PRESQUE ISLE HARBOR	FZUS53 KDLH FZUS53 KDLH FZUS53 KMQT FZUS53 KAPX FZUS53 KAPX	CPFDLH CPFMQT CPFAPX
LAKE MICHIGAN	WMO HEADING	AWIPS HEADING
	FZUS53 KGRB FZUS53 KMKX FZUS53 KLOT FZUS53 KLOT FZUS53 KIWX	CPFAPX CPFGRB CPFMKX CPFLOT CPFLOT CPFIWX

LAKE HURON	WMO HEADING	AWIPS HEADING
CALCITE HARBOR MICHIGAN ALPENA HARBOR MICHIGAN PORT OF SAGINAW MICHIGAN PORT HURON MICHIGAN	FZUS53 KAPX FZUS53 KAPX FZUS53 KDTX FZUS53 KDTX	CPFAPX CPFDTX
THE DETROIT RIVER	WMO HEADING	AWIPS HEADING
PORT OF DETROIT	FZUS53 KDTX	CPFDTX
LAKE ERIE	WMO HEADING	AWIPS HEADING
TOLEDO HARBOR CLEVELAND HARBOR ASHTABULA HARBOR BUFFALO HARBOR	FZUS51 KCLE FZUS51 KCLE FZUS51 KCLE FZUS51 KBUF	CPFCLE CPFCLE
LAKE ONTARIO	WMO HEADING	AWIPS HEADING
ROCHESTER HARBOR OSWEGO HARBOR	FZUS51 KBUF FZUS51 KBUF	

THE PORT FORECASTS ARE DISSEMINATED VIA THE GREAT LAKES DIGITAL MARINE WEATHER DISSEMINATION SYSTEM /DMAWDS/...AND ON THE HOMEPAGES OF THE GREAT LAKES WEATHER FORECAST OFFICES /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

THE PORT FORECASTS 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

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

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