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Subject: Solicitation of Comments through March 15, 2013 on the  
Experimental HPC Probabilistic Winter Weather Forecast (PWPF) Percentile  
Products

The National Centers for Environmental Prediction's (NCEP) Hydrometeorological Prediction Center (HPC) is soliciting comments on the Experimental HPC Probabilistic Winter Weather Forecast (PWPF) percentile products. The new percentile forecasts complement the existing probability of exceedance forecasts and are derived from the same probability distribution function. The percentile forecasts are available for snow and ice accumulations at the 5th, 10th, 25th, 50th, 75th, 90th and 95th percentile levels over the contiguous U.S. (CONUS).

Graphical representations of the products are online at:

[www.hpc.ncep.noaa.gov/pwpf/wwd\\_percentiles.php?fpd=24&ptype=snow](http://www.hpc.ncep.noaa.gov/pwpf/wwd_percentiles.php?fpd=24&ptype=snow)  
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The percentile data are available in Gridded Binary version two (GRIB2) format from the HPC file transfer protocol (ftp) server at:

<ftp://ftp.hpc.ncep.noaa.gov/pwpf/>

The electronic survey as listed on the HPC webpage can be found at:

[www.hpc.ncep.noaa.gov/pwpf/wwd\\_percentiles.php?fpd=24&ptype=snow](http://www.hpc.ncep.noaa.gov/pwpf/wwd_percentiles.php?fpd=24&ptype=snow)

This product is in the new and enhanced products/services catalog at:

<https://products.weather.gov/viewExperimental.php?selrow=490>

Comments regarding the HPC experimental PWWF percentiles should be sent by March 15, 2013, to:

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