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Subject: Amended: Soliciting Comments for Experimental Graphicast Product: Public Comment Period Deadline Extended to December 31, 2012

Comment Period extended to December 31, 2012 to solicit additional user feedback on the utility of the Graphicast.

The NWS is requesting user feedback on an experimental Graphicast product through December 31, 2012. The National Hurricane Center's (NHC's) Tropical Analysis and Forecast Branch (TAFB) is providing an experimental daily Graphicast of significant marine weather for its offshore and high seas areas of responsibility. The parameters include:

- -Surface (10-m) winds
- -Significant wave heights
- -Primary swell height, period and direction
- -Mean Sea Level Pressure (MSLP) of synoptic scale features
- -Foq
- -Volcanic ash
- -Significant precipitation

This experimental product will be generated by TAFB daily at approximately 0000 Coordinated Universal Time (UTC) and posted to the NHC website:

http://www.nhc.noaa.gov/marine forecasts.shtml

A comprehensive description of the gridded marine forecast product is posted at:

http://www.nhc.noaa.gov/aboutgraphicast.shtml

The catalog entry in the New and Enhanced Products and Services Catalog is posted at:

http://products.weather.gov

Users are encouraged to provide feedback on this experimental product by using the brief survey and comment form online at:

http://www.weather.gov/survey/nws-survey.php?code=tafb-graphicasts

A link to all NHC experimental products is also provided at:

http://www.nhc.noaa.gov/aboutexperimental.shtml

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