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PUBLIC INFORMATION STATEMENT...SERVICE CHANGE NOTICE 00-88 NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE HEADQUARTERS WASHINGTON DC 320 PM EDT THU SEP 21 2000

- TO: FAMILY OF SERVICES /FOS/ SUBSCRIBERS NOAA WEATHER WIRE SERVICE /NWWS/ SUBSCRIBERS OTHER NWS CUSTOMERS...PARTNERS AND EMPLOYEES
- FROM: PAUL STOKOLS...ACTING CHIEF FIRE AND PUBLIC WEATHER SERVICES BRANCH

SUBJECT: NEW FORMAT AND WMO HEADER FOR VIRGINIA STATE FORECAST PRODUCT...EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 16 2000

ON MONDAY OCTOBER 16 2000...AT 400 PM EDT...THE NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE OFFICE AT WAKEFIELD VIRGINIA WILL BEGIN ISSUING A NEW TYPE OF STATE FORECAST FOR VIRGINIA. THE NEW FORECAST WILL PROVIDE MORE SPECIFIC INFORMATION FOR VARIOUS CITIES AND TOWNS IN A TABULAR FORMAT...OUT TO FIVE DAYS. A NARRATIVE STATE FORECAST WILL FOLLOW THE TABULAR DATA FOR 60 DAYS...THEN BE PHASED OUT ON DECEMBER 16 2000.

FORECASTS FOR ADDITIONAL CITIES OR TOWNS CAN EASILY BE ADDED TO THE TABULAR VERSION TO SUIT SPECIFIC BROADCAST AREAS...AS CAN FORECASTS FOR RECREATIONAL AREAS OR OTHER SITES OF WIDESPREAD INTEREST.

CUSTOMERS CURRENTLY RECEIVING THE STATE FORECAST PRODUCT FOR VIRGINIA...UNDER WORLD METEOROLOGICAL ORGANIZATION /WMO/ HEADER FPUS61 KLWX WILL NEED TO CHANGE TO FPUS61 KAKQ TO CONTINUE RECEIVING THIS PRODUCT. THE NINE-CHARACTER PRODUCT INFORMATION LIST /PIL/ IDENTIFIER ...WBCSFPVA...REMAINS UNCHANGED.

THE FOLLOWING IS AN EXAMPLE OF THE NEW STATE FORECAST...

FPUS61 KAKQ 152030 SFPVA

VAZALL-160900-STATE FORECAST FOR VIRGINIA NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE WAKEFIELD VA 430 PM EDT TUE AUG 15 2000

ROWS INCLUDE... PREDOMINANT DAYTIME WEATHER FORECAST TEMPERATURES...DAYTIME HIGH...NIGHTTIME LOW...DAYTIME PROBABILITY OF PRECIPITATION -- INDICATES MISSING VALUES FCST FCST FCST FCST FCST WED THU FRI SAT SUN AUG 16 AUG 17 AUG 18 AUG 19 AUG 20

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...CENTRAL AND SOUTHEAST VIRGINIA INCLUDING RICHMOND AND HAMPTON ROADS...

FARMVILLE VA	PTCLDY	SUNNY	PTCLDY	PTCLDY	PTCLDY
	85/65	87/65	86/69	83/67	83
	POP 40	POP 10	POP 40	POP 10	POP 10
NEWPORT NEWS VA	PTCLDY	SUNNY	PTCLDY	PTCLDY	PTCLDY
	85/69	87/70	86/71	84/70	83
	POP 40	POP 10	POP 40	POP 10	POP 10
NORFOLK VA	PTCLDY	SUNNY	PTCLDY	PTCLDY	PTCLDY
	85/69	88/70	87/71	85/70	83
	POP 40	POP 10	POP 40	POP 10	POP 10
RICHMOND VA	PTCLDY	SUNNY	PTCLDY	PTCLDY	PTCLDY
	85/66	88/69	86/69	84/67	84
	POP 40	POP 10	POP 40	POP 10	POP 10

...NORTHERN VIRGINIA INCLUDING THE NORTHERN SHENANDOAH VALLEY...

CHARLOTTESVILLE VA	PTCLDY	PTCLDY	PTCLDY	PTCLDY	PTCLDY
	84/63	91/65	90/65	87/64	85
	POP 40	POP 0	POP 40	POP 10	POP 10
RESTON VA /DULLES/	PTCLDY	PTCLDY	PTCLDY	PTCLDY	PTCLDY
	81/63	88/63	89/65	86/63	83
	POP 40	POP 0	POP 40	POP 10	POP 10

...THE HIGHLANDS...SOUTHERN SHENANDOAH VALLEY...ROANOKE VALLEY AND SOUTHSIDE VIRGINIA...

BLACKSBURG VA	PTCLDY	PTCLDY	PTCLDY	PTCLDY	PTCLDY
	78/65	80/66	84/66	84/65	82
	POP 40	POP 10	POP 40	POP 10	POP 10
DANVILLE VA	PTCLDY	PTCLDY	PTCLDY	PTCLDY	PTCLDY
	86/64	87/66	88/66	86/67	84
	POP 40	POP 10	POP 40	POP 10	POP 10
LYNCHBURG VA	PTCLDY	PTCLDY	PTCLDY	PTCLDY	PTCLDY
	84/62	85/63	86/65	86/64	84
	POP 40	POP 10	POP 40	POP 10	POP 10
ROANOKE VA	PTCLDY	PTCLDY	PTCLDY	PTCLDY	PTCLDY
	85/63	86/64	86/64	86/63	84
	POP 40	POP 10	POP 40	POP 10	POP 10

...EXTREME SOUTHWEST VIRGINIA...

CLINTWOOD VA	TSTMS	PTCLDY	PTCLDY	PTCLDY	PTCLDY
	76/63	78/64	82/64	82/63	80
NARRATIVE:	POP 40	POP 20	POP 40	POP 10	POP 10

.TONIGHT...PARTLY CLOUDY WITH SCATTERED SHOWERS AND THUNDERSTORMS. LOWS IN THE 60S. .WEDNESDAY...PARTLY CLOUDY. HIGHS LOW TO MID 80S. .WEDNESDAY NIGHT...MOSTLY CLEAR. LOWS IN THE LOWER 60S NORTH...MID TO UPPER 60S ELSEWHERE. .THURSDAY...SUNNY. HIGHS IN THE MID TO UPPER 80S.

.EXTENDED FORECAST... .FRIDAY...PARTLY CLOUDY WITH SCATTERED SHOWERS AND THUNDERSTORMS. LOWS MID 60S TO AROUND 70. HIGHS 85 TO 90. .SATURDAY...PARTLY CLOUDY. LOWS MID 60S TO AROUND 70. HIGHS IN THE MID 80S. .SUNDAY...PARTLY CLOUDY. LOWS MID 60S TO AROUND 70. HIGHS IN THE LOWER TO MID 80S.

END OF EXAMPLE

IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS ABOUT THIS NEW PRODUCT...PLEASE CALL BILL SAMMLER /757-899-5732 X223/ OR TONY SIEBERS /757-899-5730 X222/ AT THE NWS OFFICE IN WAKEFIELD.

NATIONAL SERVICE CHANGE NOTICES ARE ONLINE AT /USE LOWER CASE LETTERS/:

HTTPS://WWW.WEATHER.GOV/NOTIFICATION/ARCHIVE

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