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PUBLIC INFORMATION STATEMENT...SERVICE CHANGE NOTICE 01-11 NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE HEADQUARTERS WASHINGTON DC 130 PM EST TUE MAR 6 2001

TO: FAMILY OF SERVICES /FOS/ SUBSCRIBERS

NOAA WEATHER WIRE SERVICE /NWWS/ SUBSCRIBERS OTHER NWS PARTNERS...USERS AND EMPLOYEES

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TEAM LEADER FOR DATA MANAGEMENT OFFICE OF OPERATIONAL SYSTEMS

SUBJECT: END-STATE WMO/AWIPS IDENTIFIERS GO INTO EFFECT FOR 302 HIGH PRIORITY EASTERN REGION PRODUCTS...EFFECTIVE MAY 8 2001

ON TUESDAY MAY 8 2001...AT NOON EDT OR 1600 COORDINATED UNIVERSAL TIME /UTC/...23 NWS WEATHER FORECAST OFFICES /WFOS/ IN THE EASTERN U.S. WILL COMPLETE THEIR TRANSITION TO END-STATE WORLD METEOROLOGICAL ORGANIZATION /WMO/ COMMUNICATION HEADINGS FOR 302 HIGH PRIORITY PRODUCTS. THE SECOND LINE OF THE COMMUNICATION HEADING...KNOWN AS THE ADVANCED WEATHER INTERACTIVE PROCESSING SYSTEM /AWIPS/ IDENTIFIER...WILL ALSO BE FINALIZED TO REFLECT MODERN SITE LOCATION IDENTIFIERS.

IF A MODERATE OR GREATER RISK OF SEVERE WEATHER OR FLOODING IS POSTED FOR ANY AREA OF THE U.S. ON MAY 8 BY THE NATIONAL CENTERS FOR ENVIRONMENTAL PREDICTION...AN ALTERNATE TRANSITION DATE OF MAY 10 2001 AT NOON EDT WILL BE USED.

TO ASSIST NWS CUSTOMERS AND EMPLOYEES WITH THIS TRANSITION...A SPECIAL WEB SITE HAS BEEN CONSTRUCTED. THE SITE LISTS ALL OF THE CRITICAL PRODUCTS IN MULTIPLE GROUPINGS TO ACCOMMODATE A VARIETY OF CUSTOMER NEEDS. THE WEBSITE ADDRESS IS /USE LOWER CASE/:

HTTP://WWW.NWS.NOAA.GOV/ER/HQ/WMO/WMO MAIN.HTM

ALL CHANGES FROM CURRENT HEADINGS ARE HIGHLIGHTED IN COLOR...AND ARE CONVENIENTLY SORTED BY PRODUCT CATEGORY...WMO HEADER...WFO NAME AND THE STATE TO WHICH THE PRODUCT APPLIES. THE PRODUCT LIST CAN ALSO BE DOWNLOADED FROM THIS WEB SITE INTO A TEXT FILE WHICH CAN BE IMPORTED INTO ANY SPREADSHEET FOR CUSTOMER-SPECIFIED SORTING. SEE TABLE 1 FOR A SAMPLE HEADING CHANGE.

TABLE 1. SAMPLE WMO/AWIPS ID CHANGE

IT IS EXTREMELY IMPORTANT THAT ALL USERS OF NWS PRODUCTS ORIGINATING FROM THE EASTERN U.S. REFER TO THIS WEB SITE...AND MAKE SURE THAT THEIR COMMUNICATION SYSTEM DIRECTORIES EXACTLY MATCH THE WMO HEADINGS

LISTED...AS OF NOON ON MAY 8 2001. FAILURE TO DO SO WILL PREVENT WARNING OR OTHER HIGH PRIORITY MESSAGES FROM REACHING THEIR INTENDED AUDIENCE.

IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS ABOUT THIS TRANSITION...PLEASE CALL ONE OF THE NWS EASTERN REGION OFFICE CONTACTS IN BOHEMIA NEW YORK:

RICK WATLING: 631-244-0123 ANDY NASH: 631-244-0125 LAURIE HOGAN: 631-244-0114

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

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