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PUBLIC INFORMATION STATEMENT...SERVICE CHANGE NOTICE 02-09 NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE HEADQUARTERS WASHINGTON DC 400 PM EST MON FEB 4 2002

- TO: FAMILY OF SERVICES /FOS/ SUBSCRIBERS NOAA WEATHER WIRE SERVICE /NWWS/ SUBSCRIBERS EMERGENCY MANAGERS WEATHER INFORMATION NETWORK /EMWIN/ SUBSCRIBERS NOAAPORT SUBSCRIBERS OTHER NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE CUSTOMERS...PARTNERS AND EMPLOYEES
- FROM: JAMES E. LEE CHIEF...FIRE AND PUBLIC WEATHER SERVICES BRANCH

SUBJECT: DIGITAL FORECAST PRODUCT FROM THE NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE OFFICE IN GRAND RAPIDS MICHIGAN...EFFECTIVE MARCH 21 2002

ON THURSDAY MARCH 21 2002...AT 400 PM EST...THE NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE IN GRAND RAPIDS MICHIGAN /GRR/ WILL BEGIN ISSUING AN EXPERIMENTAL PRODUCT CALLED THE DIGITAL FORECAST PRODUCT.

THE DIGITAL FORECAST IS A PRODUCT WHICH DISPLAYS FORECAST WEATHER PARAMETERS IN 3-HOUR AND 12-HOUR INTERVALS. THE DIGITAL FORMAT OF THIS PRODUCT PROMOTES QUICK VISUAL SCANNING OF SELECTED WEATHER ELEMENTS AND FACILITATES EASE OF USE WITH COMPUTERS. IT ALLOWS THE USER TO OBTAIN THE WEATHER PARAMETER/S/ OF CHOICE.

THE WORLD METEOROLOGICAL ORGANIZATION /WMO/ HEADER FOR THIS PRODUCT WILL BE FOUS53 KGRR. THE ADVANCED WEATHER INTERACTIVE PROCESSING SYSTEM /AWIPS/ IDENTIFIER WILL BE RDFGRR. CUSTOMERS WILL NEED TO ADD THESE IDENTIFIERS TO THEIR COMMUNICATION SYSTEMS IF THEY WISH TO RECEIVE THE DIGITAL FORECAST.

THE FOLLOWING IS AN EXAMPLE OF THE DIGITAL FORECAST PRODUCT...ISSUED BY THE NWS OFFICE IN KANSAS CITY/PLEASANT HILL MISSOURI:

FOUS53 KEAX 311920 RDFMCI DIGITAL FORECAST NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE KANSAS CITY/PLEASANT HILL MO 318 PM EDT THU AUG 31 2000 KSZ025-103>105-MOZ021-028>030-037-038-010518-ATCHISON KS-CLAY-CLINTON-JACKSON-JOHNSON KS-LAFAYETTE-LEAVENWORTH-PLATTE-RAY-WYANDOTTE-INCLUDING THE CITIES OF ... ATCHISON KS... KANSAS CITY... OLATHE 318 PM EDT THU AUG 31 2000 \backslash FRI 09/01/00 \backslash SAT 09/02/00 POP 12HR 20 0 0 0 10 OPF 12HR 0 0 \cap 0 MAX QPF Ο 0 0 0 SNOW 12HR 00-00 00-00 00-00 54 MN/MX 49 77 75 53 71 73 69 60 55 52 52 61 71 75 72 64 60 57 61 67 75 72 TEMP 36 36 39 42 44 45 46 48 49 48 49 51 52 52 55 57 57 57 DEWPT 28 26 33 51 66 77 80 62 46 38 44 63 75 83 81 70 54 59 RH WIND SPD 8 10 5 5 2 2 2 10 12 12 8 5 5 2 2 10 12 12 8 8 8 8 /SUN 09/03/00 /MON 09/04/00 /TUE 09/05/00 / 09 15 21 03 09 15 21 03 09 15 21 03 09 EDT DOD 19UD 10 $4 \cap$ 10 10 30 30

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RAIN SHWRS	С	С	С	С	С	С
TSTMS	С	С	С	С	S	

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FURTHER DETAILS ON HOW TO INTERPRET THIS PRODUCT CAN BE FOUND ON THE PLEASANT HILL FORECAST OFFICE WEBSITE AT /USE LOWER CASE/:

WWW.CRH.NOAA.GOV/EAX/RDFEXPLAIN.HTM

... OR CONTACT THE GRAND RAPIDS MICHIGAN FORECAST OFFICE AT THE NUMBER LISTED BELOW.

IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS ABOUT THESE PRODUCTS...PLEASE CALL DAN HOUSER OR MIKE HEATHFIELD AT THE GRAND RAPIDS MICHIGAN FORECAST OFFICE AT 616-949-0643.

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

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

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