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PUBLIC INFORMATION STATEMENT...SERVICE CHANGE NOTICE 02-26
NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE HEADQUARTERS WASHINGTON DC
1100 AM EDT THU APR 18 2002

TO: FAMILY OF SERVICES /FOS/ SUBSCRIBERS
NOAA WEATHER WIRE SERVICE /NWS/ SUBSCRIBERS
EMERGENCY MANAGERS WEATHER INFORMATION NETWORK /EMWIN/
SUBSCRIBERS
NOAAPORT SUBSCRIBERS
OTHER NWS CUSTOMERS...PARTNERS AND EMPLOYEES

FROM: THERESE PIERCE
CHIEF...MARINE AND COASTAL SERVICES BRANCH

SUBJECT: MARINE PROGRAM IN ALASKA

REFERENCE: [SERVICE CHANGE NOTICE 02-21](#)...DATED APRIL 3 2002

IMPLEMENTATION OF SOME OF THE RECENTLY ANNOUNCED CHANGES TO THE NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE MARINE FORECAST PROGRAM...ANNOUNCED IN [SERVICE CHANGE NOTICE 02-21](#)...DATED APRIL 3 2002...WILL BE DELAYED IN ALASKA. DUE TO THE VAST WATER AREAS INVOLVED...THE ADVENT OF THE NEW INTERACTIVE FORECAST PREPARATION SYSTEM /IFPS/ IS NECESSARY FOR THIS IMPLEMENTATION. IFPS IS CURRENTLY SCHEDULED TO BE FULLY OPERATIONAL IN ALASKA IN 2003. SPECIFICALLY...THE CURRENT MARINE PRODUCT FORMAT AND TIME PERIOD COVERED WILL CONTINUE IN ALASKA.

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS...PLEASE CONTACT:

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