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PUBLIC INFORMATION STATEMENT...SERVICE CHANGE NOTICE 03-74 NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE HEADQUARTERS WASHINGTON DC 445 PM EST TUE DEC 2 2003

- TO: FAMILY OF SERVICES /FOS/ SUBSCRIBERS NOAA WEATHER WIRE SERVICE /NWWS/ SUBSCRIBERS EMERGENCY MANAGERS WEATHER INFORMATION NETWORK /EMWIN/ SUBSCRIBERS NOAAPORT SUBSCRIBERS OTHER NWS CUSTOMERS...PARTNERS AND EMPLOYEES
- FROM: THERESE Z. PIERCE CHIEF...MARINE AND COASTAL SERVICES BRANCH

SUBJECT: CHANGE IN SCHEDULED ISSUANCE TIME OF ALASKA REGION OFFSHORE MARINE FORECASTS...EFFECTIVE JANUARY 13 2004

REFER TO <u>SERVICE CHANGE NOTICE 03-61</u> FOR RELATED CHANGES BEING IMPLEMENTED IN ALASKA ALSO ON JANUARY 13 2004.

EFFECTIVE AT 4 PM ALASKA STANDARD TIME ON TUESDAY JANUARY 13 2004...OR 0100 COORDINATED UNIVERSAL TIME /UTC/ ON JANUARY 14 2004...THE NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE FORECAST OFFICES IN ALASKA WILL CHANGE THE SCHEDULED RELEASE TIME OF THE OFFSHORE MARINE FORECAST...AS SHOWN IN TABLE 1. THIS CHANGE MEANS CUSTOMERS WILL RECEIVE ALL ROUTINELY ISSUED MARINE FORECASTS IN ALASKA AT A CONSISTENT TIME...4 AM AND 4 PM ALASKA LOCAL TIME.

NOTE...ALASKA OFFSHORE MARINE FORECASTS ARE CURRENTLY ISSUED UNDER THE WORLD METEOROLOGICAL ORGANIZATION /WMO/ HEADING FZPN01 PANC...ADVANCED WEATHER INTERACTIVE PROCESSING SYSTEM /AWIPS/ ID OFFANC...AT 3 AM AND 3 PM LOCAL ALASKA TIME. THESE FORECASTS ARE BEING MODERNIZED AND DIVIDED INTO THE WMO HEADINGS SHOWN IN TABLE 1 ALSO ON THE SAME EFFECTIVE DATE OF JANUARY 13 2004. THAT CHANGE WAS ANNOUNCED IN <u>SERVICE CHANGE NOTICE 03-</u> 61...MOST RECENTLY ISSUED ON OCTOBER 15 2003.

FOR MORE INFORMATION...PLEASE REFER TO THE FOLLOWING WEBSITE /USE LOWER CASE LETTERS/:

HTTP://WWW.ARH.NOAA.GOV/CHANGES

TABLE 1. OFFSHORE MARINE FORECAST PRODUCTS AND SCHEDULED DELIVERY TIMES...EFFECTIVE JANUARY 13 2004

NEW	NEW	ISSUANCE TIMES		
WMO HEADING	AWIPS ID	LOCAL	UTC STANDARD	UTC DAYLIGHT
FZAK61 PAFC	OFFAER	4 AM/PM	1300/0100 UTC	1200/0000 UTC
FZAK62 PAFC	OFFALU	4 AM/PM	1300/0100 UTC	1200/0000 UTC
FZAK67 PAJK	OFFAJK	4 AM/PM	1300/0100 UTC	1200/0000 UTC

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS ABOUT THIS CHANGE...YOU MAY CONTACT:

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