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SERVICE CHANGE NOTICE 07-09 NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE HEADQUARTERS WASHINGTON DC 135 PM EDT TUE MAR 7 2007

- 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
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SUBJECT: NEW PRODUCTS AND NEW FORMAT FOR TROPICAL CYCLONE HIGH DENSITY OBSERVATION DATA FROM NATIONAL OCEANIC AND ATMOSPHERIC ADMINISTRATION /NOAA/ P-3 AIRCRAFT: EFFECTIVE ON JUNE 1 2007

AN ENHANCED CAPABILITY OFFERED BY ALL P-3 SURVEILLANCE AIRCRAFT FOR THE 2007 HURRICANE SEASON WILL BE THE COLLECTION AND TRANSMISSION OF HIGH DENSITY/HIGH ACCURACY DATA COLLECTIVELY REFERRED TO AS HIGH DENSITY OBSERVATIONS /HDOB/.

IN 2006...SURVEILLANCE DATA AVAILABLE FROM NOAA P-3 AIRCRAFT WAS PROVIDED UNDER WORLD METEOROLOGICAL ORGANIZATION /WMO/ HEADERS URNT40 KWBC AND URPN40 KWBC FOR THE ATLANTIC BASIN AND THE PACIFIC HURRICANE BASINS RESPECTIVELY. TRANSMISSION OF DATA USING THESE WMO HEADERS WILL BE DISCONTINUED EFFECTIVE JUNE 1 2007.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1 2007...NOAA WILL BEGIN ISSUANCE OF THREE NEW PRODUCTS FOR THE TRANSMISSION OF HDOB. USERS WHO WISH TO CONTINUE RECEIVING THIS DATA WILL NEED TO MAKE THE FOLLOWING CHANGES IN THEIR WMO COMMUNICATIONS DATABASES:

BASIN	WMO HEADING/ACTION
ATLANTIC	URNT15 KWBC/ADD
EASTERN AND CENTRAL PACIFIC	URPN15 KWBC/ADD
WESTERN PACIFIC	URPA15 KWBC/ADD

THESE NEW PRODUCTS WILL BE PROVIDED ON THE FAMILY OF SERVICES /FOS/...EMERGENCY MANAGERS WEATHER INFORMATION NETWORK /EMWIN/...NOAAPORT AND NOAA WEATHER WIRE SERVICE /NWWS/.

IN ADDITION TO THE COMMENCEMENT OF NEW PRODUCT HEADERS...THERE WILL BE A CHANGE IN THE HDOB MESSAGE FORMAT.

HDOB MESSAGE FORMATS ARE PROVIDED IN NATIONAL HURRICANE OPERATIONS PLAN /NHOP/ APPENDIX G. THE 2006 NHOP...ALONG WITH THE 2006 HDOB MESSAGE FORMAT...IS CURRENTLY PROVIDED ONLINE AT /USE LOWER CASE/:

HTTP://WWW.OFCM.GOV/NHOP

THE 2007 NHOP WILL BE POSTED ONLINE BY JUNE 1 2007...ALONG WITH THE 2007 NEW HDOB MESSAGE FORMAT.

USERS WISHING TO READ ABOUT THE NEW HDOB MESSAGE FORMAT MAY GO TO /USE LOWER CASE/:

WWW.NHC.NOAA.GOV/ABOUTHDOBS 2007.SHTML

USERS WISHING TO VIEW A SAMPLE HDOB IN THE NEW DATA FORMAT MAY GO TO /USE LOWER CASE/:

WWW.NHC.NOAA.GOV/HDOBS SAMPLE 2007.SHTML

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS...PLEASE CONTACT:

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