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SERVICE CHANGE NOTICE 08-26
NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE HEADQUARTERS WASHINGTON DC
1110 AM EDT MON APR 7 2008

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SUBJECT: DISCONTINUATION OF THE VALID TIME EVENT CODE /VTEC/ IN THE COASTAL
WATERS FORECAST /CWF/ AND NEARSHORE MARINE FORECAST /NSH/: EFFECTIVE AUGUST
5 2008

REFER TO: [SERVICE CHANGE NOTICE /SCN/ 08-27](#): TRANSMITTED APRIL 7 2008

ON TUESDAY AUGUST 5 2008 AT 1800 COORDINATED UNIVERSAL TIME /UTC/...THE CWF
AND NSH PRODUCTS WILL NO LONGER CARRY OPERATIONAL VTEC. OPERATIONAL VTEC
WILL BE CARRIED IN THE MARINE WEATHER MESSAGE /MWW/ PRODUCT. THE MWW
PRODUCT WILL SERVE AS THE DEDICATED LONG DURATION MARINE
WATCH/WARNING/ADVISORY BULLETIN AND WILL CONTAIN ALL THE VTEC INFORMATION
PREVIOUSLY ISSUED IN THE CWF AND NSH. SELECTED WFOS HAVE BEEN ISSUING THE
MWW EXPERIMENTALLY SINCE AUGUST 1 2007.

PLEASE SEE [SCN 08-27](#)...DATED APRIL 7 2008...FOR MORE INFORMATION ON THE NEW
OPERATIONAL MWW PRODUCT: EFFECTIVE AUGUST 5 2008.

MORE DETAILED INFORMATION ON THE MWW PRODUCT AND AN EXAMPLE OF THE NEW
FORMAT IS AVAILABLE ONLINE AT /USE LOWER CASE/:

[HTTP://WWW.WEATHER.GOV/OS/MWW](http://www.weather.gov/os/mww)

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