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PUBLIC INFORMATION STATEMENT...SERVICE CHANGE NOTICE 97-05  
NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE HEADQUARTERS WASHINGTON DC  
330 PM EDT MON SEP 29 1997

TO: FAMILY OF SERVICES /FOS/ SUBSCRIBERS  
NOAA WEATHER WIRE SERVICE /NWS/ SUBSCRIBERS  
OTHER NWS CUSTOMERS...PARTNERS AND EMPLOYEES

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CHIEF...CUSTOMER SERVICE CORE

SUBJECT: SHORT-FUSED COUNTY WARNING TRANSFER NOTICE 97-05: BIRMINGHAM AL  
WEATHER SERVICE FORECAST OFFICE/S SHORT-FUSED COUNTY WARNING AREA  
EXPANDS...EFFECTIVE DECEMBER 2 1997

EFFECTIVE TUESDAY...DECEMBER 2 1997...AT 1000 A.M. CENTRAL STANDARD TIME  
/1600 COORDINATED UNIVERSAL TIME /UTC//...THE NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE  
/NWS/ WILL TRANSFER SHORT-FUSED WARNING RESPONSIBILITY FOR TEN /10/  
COUNTIES /SEE TABLE 1/ IN ALABAMA TO THE BIRMINGHAM /BHM/ ALABAMA WEATHER  
SERVICE FORECAST OFFICE /WSFO/ FROM THE WEATHER SERVICE OFFICE /WSO/ IN  
HUNTSVILLE /HSV/ ALABAMA. FOR THESE COUNTIES...WSFO BHM WILL ISSUE SHORT-  
FUSED WARNING PRODUCTS /TABLE 2/ AND RELATED PRODUCTS THAT GIVE FOLLOWUP  
INFORMATION ON THE WARNINGS /TABLE 3/. FOR HOLDERS OF THE NWS OPERATIONS  
MANUAL CHAPTER C-47 /COUNTY WARNING AREAS/...THIS IS THE 5TH UPDATE FOR  
1997.

BECAUSE OF THIS COUNTY WARNING TRANSFER...SUBSCRIBERS TO THE NOAA WEATHER  
WIRE SERVICE /NWS/ AND THE FAMILY OF SERVICES /FOS/ MUST TAKE APPROPRIATE  
ACTION TO RECEIVE THE SHORT-FUSE WARNINGS AND RELATED PRODUCTS FOR THE TEN  
/10/ COUNTIES USING THE BHM IDENTIFIER /TABLES 2 AND 3/ INSTEAD OF THE HSV  
IDENTIFIER. FOR EXAMPLE...IF YOU HAVE BEEN RECEIVING SEVERE THUNDERSTORM  
WARNINGS USING THE PRODUCT BHMSVRHSV...YOU WILL HAVE TO CHANGE YOUR  
PRODUCT IDENTIFIER TO BHMSVRBHM. THE UNIVERSAL GEOGRAPHIC CODES  
/UGCS/...HOWEVER...WILL REMAIN UNCHANGED /AS SHOWN IN TABLE 1/.

TABLE 1: COUNTIES TRANSFERRED TO BHM. C = COUNTY CODE; Z = ZONE CODE

COUNTY	UGC C	UGC Z	FROM:	TO:
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COLBERT	ALC033-	ALZ002-	HSV	BHM
DEKALB	ALC049-	ALZ010-	HSV	BHM
FRANKLIN	ALC059-	ALZ003-	HSV	BHM
JACKSON	ALC071-	ALZ009-	HSV	BHM
LAUDERDALE	ALC077-	ALZ001-	HSV	BHM
LAWRENCE	ALC079-	ALZ004-	HSV	BHM
LIMESTONE	ALC083-	ALZ005-	HSV	BHM
MADISON	ALC089-	ALZ006-	HSV	BHM
NARSHALL	ALC095-	ALZ008-	HSV	BHM
MORGAN	ALC103-	ALZ007-	HSV	BHM

