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PUBLIC INFORMATION STATEMENT...SERVICE CHANGE NOTICE 99-88 NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE HEADQUARTERS WASHINGTON DC 920 AM EDT FRI SEP 24 1999

TO: FAMILY OF SERVICES /FOS/ SUBSCRIBERS

NOAA WEATHER WIRE SERVICE /NWWS/ SUBSCRIBERS OTHER NWS CUSTOMERS...PARTNERS AND EMPLOYEES

FROM: THERESE Z. PIERCE

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SUBJECT: CHANGES TO THE MARINE FORECAST PROGRAM FOR ALASKA...EFFECTIVE NOVEMBER 10 1999

EFFECTIVE WEDNESDAY...NOVEMBER 10 1999...AT 3:00 A.M. ALASKA STANDARD TIME...1100 COORDINATED UNIVERSAL TIME /UTC/...THE NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE WILL BE MAKING SEVERAL CHANGES TO THE MARINE FORECAST PROGRAM:

PART 1. THE ANCHORAGE ALASKA FORECAST OFFICE WILL BEGIN ISSUING A NEW COASTAL ZONE MARINE FORECAST TWICE A DAY FOR UNALASKA BAY. THE INTERNATIONAL PORT OF DUTCH HARBOR IS LOCATED ON THIS BAY.

THE FOLLOWING APPLIES:

AREA 12A1 - UNALASKA BAY
UNIVERSAL GEOGRAPHIC CODE /UGC/ - PKZ123

THIS FORECAST WILL BE INCLUDED WITH THE MARINE FORECAST COLLECTIVE...WORLD METEOROLOGICAL ORGANIZATION /WMO/ HEADING - FZAK65 PANC /NOAA WEATHER WIRE SERVICE /NWWS/ ID ANCCWF065/...MARINE FORECASTS FOR SOUTHWEST ALASKA COASTAL WATERS AND THE ALEUTIAN ISLANDS.

PART 2. THE NWS IN ALASKA WILL ADD AN ADDITIONAL WIND WARNING CATEGORY.

THE NEW CATEGORY IS HURRICANE FORCE WIND. A WARNING FOR HURRICANE FORCE WIND WILL BE ISSUED WHEN SUSTAINED WIND CONDITIONS ARE FORECAST TO REACH OR EXCEED $64\ \text{KNOTS}$.

PART 3. THE FOLLOWING THREE MARINE FORECASTS WILL BE TERMINATED AS STAND ALONE PRODUCTS. THEY WILL BE INCORPORATED INTO THE MARINE COLLECTIVES AS SHOWN:

MARINE FORECAST WMO HEADING /NWWS ID/

AREA 15 - PRIBILOF ISLANDS NEAR-SHORE WATERS FZAK48 PASN /ANCCWFSNP/

THIS MARINE FORECAST WILL BE INCORPORATED IN THE FOLLOWING MARINE FORECAST COLLECTIVE:

MARINE FORECAST FOR SOUTHWEST ALASKA FZAK65 PANC COASTAL WATERS AND THE ALEUTIAN ISLANDS /ANCCWF065/

AREA 9A - NORTON SOUND FROM SLEDGE ISLAND TO FZAK49 PAOM NUNAKTUK ISLAND /ANCCWFOME/

AREA 10A - KOTZEBUE SOUND FZAK49 PAOT /ANCCWFOTZ/

THESE MARINE FORECASTS WILL BE INCORPORATED IN THE FOLLOWING MARINE FORECAST COLLECTIVE:

MARINE FORECASTS FOR THE WESTERN AND ARCTIC FZAK66 PAFA ALASKAN COASTAL WATERS /FAICWF066/

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS OR CONCERNS...PLEASE CONTACT:

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