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PUBLIC INFORMATION STATEMENT...TECHNICAL IMPLEMENTATION NOTICE 03-28
NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE HEADQUARTERS WASHINGTON DC
430 PM EDT THU JUN 12 2003

TO: NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE /NWS/ OFFICES
FAMILY OF SERVICES /FOS/ SUBSCRIBERS
OTHER CUSTOMERS OF NCEP MODEL FORECASTS

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SUBJECT: QUARTERLY SUPERCOMPUTER BACKUP TEST PLANNED DURING THE 1200 UTC
MODEL CYCLE ON JULY 9 2003

NOTE: THE FOLLOWING CHANGES HAVE NO IMPACT ON NOAA WEATHER WIRE
SUBSCRIBERS.

ON WEDNESDAY JULY 9 2003...THE NATIONAL CENTERS OF ENVIRONMENTAL
PREDICTION /NCEP/ WILL EXERCISE ITS BACKUP MODEL DISSEMINATION SYSTEM.
THIS EXERCISE WILL BE CONDUCTED DURING THE 1200 COORDINATED UNIVERSAL TIME
/UTC/ MODEL CYCLE. DURING THIS TEST...NO NCEP MODEL GUIDANCE WILL BE
AVAILABLE. INSTEAD...LOOK-ALIKE PRODUCTS FROM FLEET NUMERICAL
OCEANOGRAPHICAL CENTER /FNOC/...AIR FORCE WEATHER AGENCY
/AFWA/...FORECAST SYSTEMS LABORATORY /FSL/...AND THE UNITED KINGDOM
METEOROLOGICAL OFFICE /UKMET/ WILL BE DISSEMINATED. AT THE CONCLUSION OF
THIS TEST /APPROXIMATELY 1800 UTC/...NCEP WILL DISSEMINATE NESTED GRID
MODEL /NGM/ AND GLOBAL FORECAST SYSTEM /GFS/ MODEL OUTPUT STATISTICS /MOS/
OUTPUT.

FURTHER INFORMATION ON THE TYPE OF PRODUCTS AVAILABLE FROM THE BACKUP
PROCESSING AND THEIR APPROXIMATE DELIVERY TIMES CAN BE FOUND AT THE
FOLLOWING WEBSITE /USE LOWER CASE EXCEPT FOR NCO AND PMB/:

[HTTP://WWW.NCEP.NOAA.GOV/NCO/PMB/NWPROD/OSOBACKUP/NCEP_BACKUP.HTML](http://www.ncep.noaa.gov/nco/pmb/nwprod/osobackup/ncep_backup.html)

IF WEATHER CONDITIONS PRECLUDE PERFORMING THIS EXERCISE ON JULY 9
2003...WE WILL ATTEMPT THIS AGAIN THE NEXT DAY...JULY 10 2003.

AS ALWAYS...NCEP APPRECIATES YOUR PATIENCE DURING THESE EXERCISES...WHICH
ARE NECESSARY TO ASSURE THE CONTINUED FLOW OF MODEL GUIDANCE IN THE EVENT
OF AN OUTAGE AT THE NCEP SUPER COMPUTER FACILITY.

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS CONCERNING THE NCEP SUPER COMPUTER BACKUP
TEST...PLEASE CONTACT:

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[HTTPS://WWW.WEATHER.GOV/NOTIFICATION/ARCHIVE](https://www.weather.gov/notification/archive)

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