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TECHNICAL IMPLEMENTATION NOTICE 04-23 NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE HEADQUARTERS WASHINGTON DC 1055 AM EDT WED JUN 9 2004

- 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
- FROM: PAUL HIRSCHBERG CHIEF...SCIENCE PLANS BRANCH OFFICE OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

SUBJECT: QUARTERLY SUPERCOMPUTER BACKUP TEST ON JULY 14 2004

ON WEDNESDAY...JULY 14 2004 AT 1200 COORDINATED UNIVERSAL TIME /UTC/...THE NATIONAL CENTERS FOR ENVIRONMENTAL PREDICTION /NCEP/ WILL EXERCISE ITS BACKUP MODEL DISSEMINATION SYSTEM. THIS EXERCISE WILL BE CONDUCTED DURING THE 1200 UTC MODEL CYCLE. DURING THIS TEST...NO NCEP MODEL GUIDANCE WILL BE AVAILABLE. INSTEAD...LOOK-ALIKE PRODUCTS FROM FLEET NUMERICAL OCEANOGRAPHICAL CENTER /FNMOC/...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 1900 UTC/...NCEP WILL DISSEMINATE NESTED GRID MODEL /NGM/ AND GLOBAL FORECAST SYSTEM /GFS/ MODEL OUTPUT STATISTICS /MOS/ OUTPUT.

IF WEATHER CONDITIONS PRECLUDE PERFORMING THIS EXERCISE ON JULY 14 2004...WE WILL ATTEMPT THIS AGAIN THE FOLLOWING DAY...JULY 15 2004.

FUTHER 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/:

HTTP://WWW.NCO.NCEP.NOAA.GOV/PMB/NCEPBK/NCEP BACKUP.HTML

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 SUPERCOMPUTER FACILITY.

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

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