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TECHNICAL IMPLEMENTATION NOTICE 08-26  
NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE HEADQUARTERS WASHINGTON DC  
115 PM EST TUE MAR 25 2008

TO: NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE /NWS/ OFFICES  
FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION /FAA/ CUSTOMERS  
FAMILY OF SERVICES /FOS/ SUBSCRIBERS  
OTHER USERS OF NWS AVIATION FORECASTS

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SUBJECT: TEST TAFS TO ENSURE PROPER DECODING OF 30-HOUR TAF FORMAT TEST  
DATE: POSTPONED UNTIL APRIL 30 2008

REFER TO: [SERVICE CHANGE NOTICE /SCN/ 08-15](#) AND [TECHNICAL IMPLEMENTATION NOTICE /TIN/ 08-19](#).

THE ORIGINAL TEST DATE WAS SCHEDULED FOR MARCH 26 2008. DUE TO TECHNICAL DIFFICULTIES...TESTING OF THE 30-HOUR TERMINAL AERODROME FORECAST /TAF/ WILL BE DELAYED UNTIL APRIL 30 2008.

A MONTHLY TEST TAF WILL BE PROVIDED FOR USERS TO CHECK AND EVALUATE THEIR ABILITY TO DECODE THE NEW DATE AND TIME FORMAT. GENERALLY...TEST TAF PRODUCTS WITH THE 30-HOUR TAF FORMAT WILL BE PRODUCED THE LAST WEDNESDAY OF EACH MONTH THROUGH OCTOBER 2008 AT 1400 COORDINATED UNIVERSAL TIME /UTC/.

REMINDERS OF THE TEST TAF WILL BE PROVIDED THREE DAYS BEFORE THE SCHEDULED TEST DAY. IF CRITICAL WEATHER OCCURS ON THE TEST DAY...THE TEST WILL BE POSTPONED UNTIL THE NEXT NON-CRITICAL WEATHER DAY.

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS REGARDING THIS TECHNICAL IMPLEMENTATION NOTICE...PLEASE REFER TO [SCN 08-15](#)...OR CONTACT:

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