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TECHNICAL IMPLEMENTATION NOTICE 08-54 CORRECTED
NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE HEADQUARTERS WASHINGTON DC
250 PM EDT MON JUN 23 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 SCHEDULED: JUNE 25 2008

CORRECTED THE DATE AND TIME IN THE SAMPLE TAF HEADER LINE.

REFER TO: [SERVICE CHANGE NOTICE /SCN/ 08-15](#) AND [TECHNICAL IMPLEMENTATION NOTICE /TIN/ 08-37](#).

NWS WILL PROVIDE A MONTHLY TEST TERMINAL AERODROME FORECAST /TAF/ SO USERS CAN CHECK AND EVALUATE THEIR ABILITY TO DECODE THE NEW DATE AND TIME FORMAT. GENERALLY...NWS WILL PRODUCE TEST TAF PRODUCTS WITH THE 30-HOUR TAF FORMAT ON THE LAST WEDNESDAY OF EACH MONTH THROUGH OCTOBER 2008 AT 1400 COORDINATED UNIVERSAL TIME /UTC/.

NWS WILL PROVIDE REMINDERS OF THE TEST TAF 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. THE NEXT MONTHLY TEST WILL OCCUR JUNE 25 2008.

A LINK TO THE TAF TESTBED AND TAF FORMAT EXAMPLES IS AVAILABLE AT /USE LOWER CASE/:

[HTTP://WWW.WEATHER.GOV/OS/AVIATION/TAF TESTBED.SHTML](http://www.weather.gov/os/aviation/taf_testbed.shtml)

THE 30-HOUR TEST TAF FOR JUNE SHOULD LOOK AS FOLLOWS:

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FTXX90 KWBC 251400
KABC 251400 2514/2618 00000KT 3SM BR SCT060 BKN150
FM251430 23006KT P6SM SCT040 BKN200
FM251800 25005KT P6SM VCTS SCT040CB
TEMPO 2520/2624 2SM TSRA BR BKN040CB
FM260000 VRB03KT P6SM BKN050 BKN200
FM260600 VRB03KT 3SM BR SCT250 FM261200 23006KT P6SM SKC=
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USERS WILL NEED TO CODE THEIR SYSTEMS FOR FTXX90 KWBC TO SEE THIS TAF.

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

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