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SERVICE CHANGE NOTICE 06-21 NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE HEADQUARTERS WASHINGTON DC 937 AM EDT THU MAY 18 2006

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FROM: THERESE Z. PIERCE

CHIEF...MARINE AND COASTAL WEATHER SERVICES BRANCH

SUBJECT: CHANGE IN TIME FORMAT USED IN THE TROPICAL CYCLONE FORECAST/ADVISORY /TCM/ AND THE AVIATION TROPICAL CYCLONE ADVISORY /TCA/PRODUCTS...EFFECTIVE JUNE 29 2006

EFFECTIVE JUNE 29 2006 AT 1400 COORDINATED UNIVERSAL TIME /UTC/...THE TIME FORMAT IN THE ISSUANCE DATE/TIME LINE OF THE TCM AND TCA MASS NEWS DISSEMINATOR /MND/ HEADER BLOCKS CHANGES FROM USING THE COORDINATED UNIVERSAL TIME /Z/ ABBREVIATION TO THE /UTC/ ABBREVIATION. EXAMPLES OF THE OLD AND NEW PRODUCTS ARE BELOW.

THE NORMAL 75-DAY NOTIFICATION PERIOD ASSOCIATED WITH SERVICE CHANGE NOTICES INTRODUCING MINOR CHANGES TO PRODUCT FORMAT WAS WAIVED. SOFTWARE MODIFICATIONS WERE DELAYED AND PUSHING THE EFFECTIVE DATE TO AUGUST MOVES THE CHANGE TO THE MOST ACTIVE PART OF THE HURRICANE SEASON.

OLD MND HEADER BLOCK...TCM HURRICANE INIKI FORECAST ADVISORY NUMBER 24 NWS CENTRAL PACIFIC HURRICANE CENTER HONOLULU HI CP102002 0300Z MON SEP 23 2002

NEW MND HEADER BLOCK...TCM HURRICANE INIKI FORECAST ADVISORY NUMBER 24 NWS CENTRAL PACIFIC HURRICANE CENTER HONOLULU HI CP102002 0300 UTC MON SEP 23 2002

OLD MND HEADER BLOCK...TCA
TROPICAL STORM PATRICIA ICAO ADVISORY NUMBER 23
NWS TPC/NATIONAL HURRICANE CENTER MIAMI FL AL162003
0300Z SUN OCT 26 2003

NEW MND HEADER BLOCK...TCA TROPICAL STORM PATRICIA ICAO ADVISORY NUMBER 23 NWS TPC/NATIONAL HURRICANE CENTER MIAMI FL AL162003 0300 UTC SUN OCT 26 2003 NOTE...THERE ARE NO CHANGES TO WORLD METEOROLOGICAL ORGANIZATION /WMO/HEADINGS OR ADVANCED WEATHER INTERACTIVE PROCESSING SYSTEM /AWIPS/IDENTIFIERS AND NO ACTIONS ARE REQUIRED FOR CONTINUED RECEIPT OF THESE PRODUCTS.

IF THERE IS AN ACTIVE STORM AT 1400 UTC ON JUNE 29 2006 IN THE ATLANTIC...EASTERN PACIFIC...OR CENTRAL PACIFIC HURRICANE BASINS...THE CHANGE WILL BE DELAYED BY INCREMENTS OF 24 HOURS UNTIL A TIME WHEN THERE ARE NO ACTIVE STORMS. FOR EXAMPLE...IF PRODUCTS ARE BEING ISSUED ON TROPICAL STORM ALBERTO...THE CHANGE TO THE TCM AND TCA WOULD BE DELAYED UNTIL AT LEAST 1400 UTC JUNE 30 2006...AND DELAYED FURTHER IF ALBERTO REMAINED ACTIVE.

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

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