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MEMORANDUM FOR: Management and Organization Division
Office of the Chief Financial Officer/
Chief Administrative Officer

FROM: Elliott Jacks
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SUBJECT: Certification of 10-503, Public WFO Public Weather Forecast
Products Specification, dated December 5, 2005 and
Certification of 10-506, Digital Data Products/ Services
Specification, dated January 2, 2004

The Office of Climate, Water, and Weather Services will temporarily re-certify National Weather Service Procedural Directives 10-503 , *Public WFO Public Weather Forecast Products Specification* and 10-506, *Digital Data Products /Services Specification* through June 30, 2008.

In order to provide clear articulation of our policy regarding grid production and maintenance, and to support a maximum level of consistency and collaboration, efforts have commenced to review and combine NWS Instructions 10-503 (*WFO Public Weather Forecast Products Specification*) and 10-506 (*Digital Data Products/Services Specification*) into a new Instruction (with name and number to be determined). The initial version of this new Instruction will clearly highlight the importance of the grids and will provide an appendix of specifications of how the individual elements and resulting output products are created for reference (as currently contained in the 10-506).


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