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Bulletin 3 - **FINAL**

TROPICAL STORM FLORENCE

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Hurricane Summary:

Hurricane Florence has been downgraded to a Tropical Storm, yet it remains hazardous. Significant rainfall is expected in the Carolinas over the coming days, which will result in widespread flooding and hazards to life and property.

Because the storm weakened to category 1 at landfall, damage to telecommunications infrastructure was minimal. Therefore, the immediate need for medium/long-haul message traffic services is also minimal at present.

There remains a possibility that widespread power outages and flooding could result in some isolated disruptions to telecommunications common carrier systems. Therefore, specialized connectivity may be required in the coming days. However, this does not warrant continued full-scale activation of RRI personnel.

All RRI personnel are asked to remain aware of subsequent events. However, all RRI networks may return to their normal schedule of operations.

FORMAL SYSTEM ACTIVATION REQUESTS

Radio Relay International remains ready and available to assist EmComm organizations or individual radio amateurs requiring specialized support for either operational or welfare message traffic. When requesting communications support, please review the activation request procedures contained in the

IMPORTANT POINTS

- **RRI will transition to standby status on Saturday, September 15 at 1230Z (151230Z Sep 2018).**
- **Normal IATN functions will resume.**
- **Bulk traffic should NOT be originated to North Carolina or South Carolina until further notice.**

Radio Relay International *Draft National Emergency Communications Plan* Section II. Requests for activation may be sent to:

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SUMMARY:

We would like to thank the many RRI radio operators, as well as our REACT partners, who were mobilized and prepared to assist with the Hurricane Florence response. Your support of our public service mission is greatly appreciated.

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