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A Local Law to amend the administrative code of the City of New York, in relation to requiring the commissioner of the Office of Emergency Management to create rules and regulations regarding the Emergency Operations Center.

Be it enacted by the Council as follows:

Section 1. Chapter 1 of title 30 of the administrative code of the city of New York is amended to add a new section 30-104 to read as follows:

§30-104. Rules regarding Emergency Operations Center.

a. The commissioner, or his designee, shall promulgate rules detailing under what weather conditions, as defined by the National Weather Service, and pursuant to what timetable, the Office of Emergency Management will open the Emergency Operations Center. These conditions shall include, but not be limited to:

1. Winter Storm Outlook; 2. Blizzard Watch; 3. Winter Storm Watch; 4. Blizzard Warning; 5. Winter Storm Warning; 6. Winter Weather Advisory; 7. Blowing Snow Advisory; 8. Heavy Snow Warning; 9. Snow Advisory; 10. Freezing Rain Advisory; 11. Ice Storm Warning; 12. Heat Advisory; 13. Heat Wave; 14. Excessive Heat Watch; 15. Excessive Heat Warning; 16. Nor'easter; 17. Tropical Cyclone; 18. Tropical Depression; 19. Tropical Storm; 20. Tropical Storm Watch; 21. Tropical Storm Warning; 22. Hurricane; 23. Hurricane Watch; 24. Hurricane Warning; and 25. Storm Surge.

b. For each of the weather conditions enumerated in paragraphs one through eleven of subdivision (a) of this section, the commissioner shall report to the Council and the Mayor, pursuant to subdivision (g) of section 15 of chapter 1 of the New York City Charter, on: 1. the date of the weather condition; 2. whether the

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Emergency Operations Center was opened; 3. if the Emergency Operations Center was not opened, the reason (s) why it was not opened; and 4. if the Emergency Operations Center was opened, the length of time it was open and a list of the Commissioners or other qualified designees that staffed the Emergency Operations Center at such time.

§2. This local law shall take effect on the same day as the local law amending the New York City Charter relating to the annual snow preparedness and response report.

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