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Subject: Comments Sought on Web-enabled International Flight Folder
Documentation Program from February 1, 2011 to March 7, 2011

NWS is seeking comments between February 1, 2011, and March 7, 2011, on the experimental Web-Enabled International Flight Folder Documentation Program (WebIFFDP) as a replacement for the facsimile-based International Flight Folder Documentation Program (IFFDP). WebIFFDP is available 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Before using the service, authorized users must visit and register by going to the following:

<http://aviationweather.gov/webiffdp/>

As a contracting state of the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO), the United States is obligated to provide flight documentation services to the international aviation community. Since October 1, 1998, in accordance with Chapter nine of Annex 3 to the Convention on Civil Aviation, the Aviation Weather Center (AWC) has provided the required meteorological information to airline operators and flight crew members for the purposes of dispatch planning, pre-flight briefing and en-route guidance. The information for the IFFDP currently is transferred via a facsimile service.

The proposed new WebIFFDP system offers users a Qualified Internet Communications Provider (QICP) certified website for obtaining international aviation weather information. QICP is a certification by the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) that a Website meets certain security, availability and transaction time standards. QICP WebIFFDP also introduces users to an enhanced web experience that includes custom Virtual Flight Folders. The web-based system will offer enhanced capabilities not available through a fax-based system.

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