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SERVICE CHANGE NOTICE 10-31 NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE HEADQUARTERS WASHINGTON DC 715 AM EDT FRI JUN 18 2010

TO: NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE /NWS/ OFFICES

FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION /FAA/ CUSTOMERS

FAMILY OF SERVICES /FOS/ SUBSCRIBERS OTHER USERS OF NWS AVIATION FORECASTS

FROM: CYNTHIA ABLEMAN

CHIEF...AVIATION SERVICES BRANCH

SUBJECT: CHANGE OF NAME AND IDENTIFIER FOR THE GAGE OK VHF OMNIDIRECTIONAL RADIO RANGE /VOR/ AVIATION RADIO NAVIGATION SITE: EFFECTIVE AUGUST 31 2010

NOTE: THE FOLLOWING CHANGES HAVE NO IMPACT ON NOAA WEATHER WIRE SUBSCRIBERS.

EFFECTIVE TUESDAY AUGUST 31 AT 1800 COORDINATED UNIVERSAL TIME /UTC/...100 PM CENTRAL DAYLIGHT TIME...NWS WILL CHANGE THE VOR NAME AND 3-LETTER IDENTIFIER AT GAGE OKLAHOMA FROM GAGE /GAG/ TO MITBEE /MMB/. VORS ARE USED BY PILOTS FOR NAVIGATION AND ALSO USED IN AVIATION WEATHER FORECASTS AND SIGMETS AS REFERENCE POINTS DEFINING THE AREA OF A WEATHER HAZARDS.

ON JUNE 3 2010...THE FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION /FAA/ CHANGED THE NAME OF THE GAGE OKLAHOMA VOR FROM GAGE /GAG/ TO MITBEE /MMB/. SINCE NWS USES VOR LOCATIONS TO DEFINE AREAL COVERAGE OF WEATHER HAZARDS IN ADDITION TO THEIR USE AS NAVIGATION AIDS...THE NWS WILL CEASE USING /GAG/ AND WILL USE /MMB/ TO REFERENCE THE VOR AT GAGE OKLAHOMA. THIS NAME CHANGE ONLY AFFECTS THE VOR AT GAGE OKLAHOMA. THE GAGE OKLAHOMA AIRPORT WILL RETAIN THE FOUR-LETTER IDENTIFIER KGAG.

BELOW ARE EXAMPLES OF A CURRENT AND NEW CONVECTIVE SIGNET USING THE GAGE OKLAHOMA VOR AS A REFERENCE POINT:

CURRENT CONVECTIVE SIGMET:
WSUS32 KKCI 311155
SIGC
-MKCC WST 311155
CONVECTIVE SIGMET 29C
VALID UNTIL 1355Z
TX OK KS
FROM 10W LBL-30NNW GAG-40SSW GAG-30NW AMA-10W LBL
AREA TS MOV FROM 27025KT. TOPS TO FL440.

NEW CONVECTIVE SIGMET...EFFECTIVE AUGUST 31 2010: WSUS32 KKCI 311155 SIGC -MKCC WST 161155 CONVECTIVE SIGMET 29C VALID UNTIL 1355Z TX OK KS FROM 10W LBL-30NNW MMB-40SSW MMB-30NW AMA-10W LBL AREA TS MOV FROM 27025KT. TOPS TO FL440.

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