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PUBLIC INFORMATION STATEMENT...TECHNICAL IMPLEMENTATION NOTICE 02-11 NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE HEADQUARTERS WASHINGTON DC 1225 PM EDT TUE JUL 9 2002

- TO: NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE /NWS/ OFFICES FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION /FAA/ CUSTOMERS FAMILY OF SERVICES /FOS/ SUBSCRIBERS OTHER CUSTOMERS OF NWS AVIATION FORECASTS
- FROM: MARK ANDREWS CHIEF...AVIATION SERVICES BRANCH

SUBJECT: QUARTERLY AVIATION BACKUP TEST PLANNED SCHEDULED FROM 2000 UTC ON JULY 10 2002 UNTIL 0400 UTC ON JULY 11 2002

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

ON WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON JULY 10 2002...THE AVIATION WEATHER CENTER /AWC/ IN KANSAS CITY MISSOURI WILL CONDUCT ITS QUARTERLY BACKUP TEST FROM 2000 COORDINATED UNIVERSAL TIME /UTC/ UNTIL 0400 UTC ON JULY 11 2002. THE AIR FORCE WEATHER AGENCY /AFWA/ AT OFFUTT AIR FORCE BASE WILL ASSUME FORECAST AND WARNING RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE SIGMETS AND AIRMETS /SIERRA...ZULU...TANGO/ IN THE BOSTON...MIAMI...FORT WORTH...CHICAGO...SALT LAKE CITY AND SAN FRANCISCO AREA FORECAST /FA/ AREAS...WHICH ARE NORMALLY PREPARED BY THE AWC. IN ACCORDANCE WITH PUBLISHED BACKUP PROCEDURES...CONVECTIVE SIGMETS WILL NOT BE ISSUED DURING THE PERIOD THAT AFWA IS PROVIDING AWC BACKUP. INFORMATION FOR AREAS OF ACTIVE THUNDERSTORMS WILL BE ISSUED AS NON-CONVECTIVE SIGMETS.

NO FAS WILL BE ISSUED FOR THE BOSTON...MIAMI... FORT WORTH...CHICAGO...SALT LAKE CITY AND SAN FRANCISCO FA AREAS BETWEEN 2000 UTC ON JULY 10TH AND 0400 UTC ON JULY 11TH. EVENING FAS WILL BE ISSUED AT 0400 UTC.

A REMINDER MESSAGE WILL BE APPENDED TO ALL AWC ALPHANUMERIC PRODUCTS ON THE EVENING AND MIDNIGHT SHIFT THE NIGHT BEFORE THE BACKUP TEST BEGINS.

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS CONCERNING THE AWC BACKUP TEST...CONTACT:

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