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TECHNICAL IMPLEMENTATION NOTICE 04-08
NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE HEADQUARTERS WASHINGTON DC
245 PM EST THU FEB 5 2004

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
NWS...OFFICE OF CLIMATE...WATER AND WEATHER SERVICES

SUBJECT: BACKUP OF AVIATION WEATHER CENTER PRODUCTS SCHEDULED FROM 2000
UTC ON FEBRUARY 25 2004 UNTIL 0400 UTC ON FEBRUARY 26 2004

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

ON WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 25 2004...THE AIR FORCE WEATHER AGENCY /AFWA/ AT
OFFUTT AIR FORCE BASE WILL ASSUME...IN A PLANNED BACKUP TEST...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 AVIATION WEATHER CENTER /AWC/.

DURING THE BACKUP TEST...A FORECASTER AT THE AWC IN KANSAS CITY WILL BE
COORDINATING CLOSELY WITH THE AFWA FORECASTER. AWC WILL BE ABLE TO RESUME
FORECASTING SERVICES OR INTERVENE ANYTIME DURING THE TEST IF NECESSARY.

DURING THE BACKUP TEST...THE AREA FORECAST /FA/ AND CONVECTIVE SIGMET
/WST/ WILL BE PREPARED AND TRANSMITTED BY FORECASTERS ON DUTY AT AWC.

THE AFWA WILL PREPARE AND ISSUE:

AIRMET S...WORLD METEOROLOGICAL ORGANIZATION /WMO/ HEADING WAUS1 <KBOS
KMIA KFTW KCHI KSLC AND KSFO>
AIRMET T...WMO HEADING WAUS1 <KBOS KMIA KFTW KCHI KSLC AND KSFO>
AIRMET Z...WMO HEADING WAUS1 <KBOS KMIA KFTW KCHI KSLC AND KCHI>
NON-CONVECTIVE SIGMET...WMO HEADING WSUS1 <KBOS KMIA KFTW KCHI KSLC AND
KSFO>

A REMINDER MESSAGE WILL BE APPENDED TO THE AREA FORECASTS ISSUED ON THE
MIDNIGHT SHIFT THE NIGHT BEFORE THE TEST BEGINS.

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

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