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TECHNICAL IMPLEMENTATION NOTICE 08-27 NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE HEADQUARTERS WASHINGTON DC 845 AM EDT FRI MAR 28 2008

TO: NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE /NWS/ OFFICES

FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION /FAA/ CUSTOMERS

FAMILY OF SERVICES /FOS/ SUBSCRIBERS WORLD AREA FORECAST SYSTEM /WAFS/ USERS OTHER USERS OF NWS AVIATION FORECASTS

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SUBJECT: BACKUP TEST OF THE INTERNATIONAL CIVIL AVIATION ORGANIZATION /ICAO/ WASHINGTON WORLD AREA FORECAST CENTER /WAFC/ HIGH AND MEDIUM LEVEL SIGNIFICANT WEATHER PRODUCTS: APRIL 23 2008

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

ON WEDNESDAY APRIL 23 2008...FROM 1400 COORDINATED UNIVERSAL TIME /UTC/ UNTIL APPROXIMATELY 2100 UTC...THE WAFC LONDON IN THE UNITED KINGDOM WILL ASSUME...IN A PLANNED OPERATIONAL BACKUP TEST...FORECAST AND ISSUANCE RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE HIGH LEVEL SIGNIFICANT WEATHER /SWH/ AND MEDIUM LEVEL SIGNIFICANT WEATHER /SWM/ BINARY UNIVERSAL FORM FOR THE REPRESENTATION OF METEOROLOGICAL DATA /BUFR/ AND PORTABLE NETWORK GRAPHIC /PNG/ PRODUCTS NORMALLY PREPARED BY WAFC WASHINGTON AT THE AVIATION WEATHER CENTER /AWC/ IN KANSAS CITY MISSOURI.

WAFC LONDON WILL PREPARE AND ISSUE AT 1900 UTC THE FOLLOWING BUFR PRODUCTS VALID AT 1200 UTC APRIL 24 2008:

| SWH BUFR DATA | WMO HEADINGS |
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| SWH JETSTREAM | JUWE96 KKCI |
| SWH CLEAR AIR TURBULENCE | JUCE00 KKCI |
| SWH CUMULONIMBUS CLOUD | JUBE99 KKCI |
| SWH TROPOPAUSE HEIGHT | JUTE97 KKCI |
| SWH TROP CYCLONE AND VOLCANIC ERUPTION | JUVE00 KKCI |

WAFC LONDON WILL PREPARE AND ISSUE AT 2100 UTC THE FOLLOWING BUFR AND PNG PRODUCTS VALID AT 1200 UTC APRIL 24 2008. PLEASE NOTE THAT THE 2100 UTC ISSUANCE TIME IS ONE HOUR LATER THAN THE NORMAL ISSUANCE TIME.

| SWM BUFR DATA | WMO HEADINGS |
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| SWM TROPOPAUSE HEIGHT | JUOE00 KKCI |
| SWM JETSTREAM | JUTE00 KKCI |
| SWM IN-CLOUD ICING/TURBULENCE | JUNE00 KKCI |
| SWM CLEAR AIR TURBULENCE | JUME00 KKCI |

| SWH/SWM PNG CHARTS | WMO HEADINGS |
|--------------------|--------------|
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| A | PGEE05 KKCI |
| B1 | PGIE05 KKCI |
| F | PGGE05 KKCI |
| Н | PGAE05 KKCI |
| I | PGBE05 KKCI |
| J | PGJE05 KKCI |
| M | PGDE29 KKCI |
| NAT | PGNE14 KKCI |

DURING THE BACKUP TEST...THE WAFC WASHINGTON WILL BE ABLE TO RESUME FORECASTING SERVICES OR INTERVENE ANYTIME IF NECESSARY.

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

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