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FROM: Captain James Crocker, NOAA
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SUBJECT: Transition of Manual Radiosonde Observations to
 Automated Radiosonde Observations at Oakland, CA, on
 or about July 31, 2020

Effective on or about July 31, 2020, radiosonde observations (RAOB) from Oakland, CA, WMO# 72493, Station ID KOAK, will be transitioned from the manually launched Lockheed Martin 1680 MHz LMS6 radiosonde to the Vaisala 403 MHz RS41-SGPA radiosonde using the Vaisala Autosonde as the launch vehicle.

During the transition period of up to 30 days, dual radiosonde flights may be performed until the Vaisala Autosonde System is declared operational for the regularly scheduled observations of 00Z and 12Z.

For additional information on the message requirements, see WMO 306 Manual on Codes (International Codes):

- Volume I.1 Part A - Alphanumeric Codes
- Volume I.2 Part B - Binary Codes
- Volume II Regional Codes and National Coding Practices (WMO Region IV)

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