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Subject: Soliciting comments through June 6, 2016 on the Experimental AWC PIREP Online Submission Form

Effective April 12, 2016, 1500 Coordinated Universal Time (UTC), the NWS Aviation Weather Center (AWC) in Kansas City, MO, will make the experimental Pilot Report (PIREP) Online Submission Form available to users on an experimental basis to solicit feedback. The PIREP online submission form is a means by which pilots, operators and dispatchers may submit pilot reports electronically.

Users will be required to register before accessing the PIREP Submit form. Validation of user accounts will consider whether the applicant has the following:

-Pilot's license -Email address ending in .gov or .mil -Group ID number for airlines

Pilot license information will be obtained from the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) public registry:

http://registry.faa.gov

All other requests will be evaluated on a case-by-case basis.

The AWC PIREP Online Submission Form will be available at:

www.aviationweather.gov/airep/submit

The AWC PIREP Online Submission Form is supplemental to the FAA Aeronautical Information System Replacement (AIS-R), the current means of collecting PIREPs. The AWC PIREP form enables registered users to directly enter pertinent inflight weather information; thereby increasing the overall number of PIREPs available to the NWS, FAA and aviation community. PIREPs assist pilots, dispatchers and flight planners with flight plan preparation, situational awareness and operational decision making. In addition, PIREPs are integrated into the NWS forecast production process to help improve the accuracy of the forecasts. PIREPs submitted via the website will be automatically formatted, distributed and displayed graphically on:

http://www.aviationweather.gov.

The FAA, pursuant to Title 49 United States Code Section 44720, established requirements for this weather information and service necessary for the safe and efficient conduct of operations in the National Airspace System (NAS).

The Service Description Document can be found at:

http://products.weather.gov/PDD/PIREP submit SDD.pdf

Comments will be accepted through June 6, 2016, via the following electronic survey:

http://www.nws.noaa.gov/survey/nws-survey.php?code=PIREP

If you have any questions regarding the experimental AWC PIREP Online Submission Form, please contact:

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