SERVICE CHANGE NOTICE 10-31
NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE HEADQUARTERS WASHINGTON DC
715 AM EDT FRI JUN 18 2010

TO: NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE /NWS/ OFFICES
FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION /FAA/ USERS
FAMILY OF SERVICES SUBSCRIBERS
OTHER USERS OF NWS AVIATION FORECASTS

FROM: CYNTHIA ABLEMAN
CHIEF...AVIATION SERVICES BRANCH

SUBJECT: CHANGE OF NAME AND IDENTIFIER FOR THE GAGE OK VHF OMNIDIRECTIONAL
RADIO RANGE /VOR/ AVIATION RADIO NAVIGATION SITE: EFFECTIVE AUGUST 31 2010

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

EFFECTIVE TUESDAY AUGUST 31 AT 1800 COORDINATED UNIVERSAL TIME /UTC/...100
PM CENTRAL DAYLIGHT TIME...NWS WILL CHANGE THE VOR NAME AND 3-LETTER
IDENTIFIER AT GAGE OKLAHOMA FROM GAGE /GAG/ TO MITBEE /MMB/. VORS ARE
USED BY PILOTS FOR NAVIGATION AND ALSO USED IN AVIATION WEATHER FORECASTS
AND SIGMETS AS REFERENCE POINTS DEFINING THE AREA OF A WEATHER HAZARDS.

ON JUNE 3 2010...THE FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION /FAA/ CHANGED THE
NAME OF THE GAGE OKLAHOMA VOR FROM GAGE /GAG/ TO MITBEE /MMB/. SINCE NWS
USES VOR LOCATIONS TO DEFINE AREAL COVERAGE OF WEATHER HAZARDS IN ADDITION
TO THEIR USE AS NAVIGATION AIDS...THE NWS WILL CEASE USING /GAG/ AND WILL
USE /MMB/ TO REFERENCE THE VOR AT GAGE OKLAHOMA. THIS NAME
CHANGE ONLY AFFECTS THE VOR AT GAGE OKLAHOMA. THE GAGE OKLAHOMA AIRPORT
WILL RETAIN THE FOUR-LETTER IDENTIFIER KGAG.

BELOW ARE EXAMPLES OF A CURRENT AND NEW CONVECTIVE SIGMET USING THE GAGE
OKLAHOMA VOR AS A REFERENCE POINT:

CURRENT CONVECTIVE SIGMET:
WSUS32 KKCI 311155
SIGC
-MKCC WST 311155
CONVECTIVE SIGMET 29C
VALID UNTIL 1355Z
TX OK KS
FROM 10W LBL-30NNW GAG-40SSW GAG-30NW AMA-10W LBL
AREA TS MOV FROM 27025KT. TOPS TO FL440.
NEW CONVECTIVE SIGMET...EFFECTIVE AUGUST 31 2010:
WSUS32 KKCI 311155
SIGC
-MKCC WST 161155
CONVECTIVE SIGMET 29C
VALID UNTIL 1355Z
TX OK KS
FROM 10W LBL-30NNW MMB-40SSW MMB-30NW AMA-10W LBL
AREA TS MOV FROM 27025KT. TOPS TO FL440.

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