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SUBJECT: Change of Identifier for New York Oceanic Flight  
    Information Region (FIR), effective April 14, 2016  
NOTE: The following changes have no impact on NOAA  
    Weather Wire Service subscribers.  

Effective April 14, 2016, at 1500 Coordinated Universal Time  
(UTC), 1100 a.m. Eastern Daylight Time, the NWS will begin using  
the recently implemented 3-letter identifier ZWY for the New  
York Oceanic Flight Information Region (FIR) in all NWS  
products. This will replace the previously used ZNY identifier  
for the New York Oceanic FIR. The New York FIR over land will  
continue to be referenced via the ZNY identifier.  

FIRs are geographical areas referenced by air traffic  
controllers and in weather forecasts and warnings. The  
descriptions and GIS files for the FIRs are maintained by the  
International Civil Aviation Organization.  

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