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NATIONAL TECHNICAL IMPLEMENTATION MESSAGE 01-32  
NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE HEADQUARTERS WASHINGTON DC  
11:00 AM EST NOV 26 2001

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

FROM: THERESE Z. PIERCE  
CHIEF...INTEGRATED HYDROMETEOROLOGICAL  
SERVICES CORE NWS...OFFICE OF METEOROLOGY

SUBJECT: BACKUP OF AVIATION WEATHER CENTER PRODUCTS  
SCHEDULED FROM 1300 UTC ON NOVEMBER 28 2001  
UNTIL 2100 UTC ON NOVEMBER 28 2001

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

THIS WEDNESDAY NOVEMBER 28 2001...THE AIR FORCE WEATHER  
AGENCY/AFWA/AT OFFUTT AIR FORCE BASE WILL ASSUME...IN  
A PLANNED BACK-UP TEST...FORECAST AND WARNING RESPONSIBILITY  
FOR THE SIGMETS AND AIRMETS/SIERRA...ZULU...TANGO/ IN THE  
BOSTON...MIAMI...FORT WORTH...CHICAGO...SALT LAKE CITY AND  
SAN FRANCISCO FA AREAS...WHICH ARE NORMALLY PREPARED BY  
THE AVIATION WEATHER CENTER/AWC. IN ACCORDANCE WITH  
PUBLISHED BACKUP PROCEDURES...CONVECTIVE SIGMETS WILL NOT BE  
ISSUED DURING THE PERIOD THAT AFWA IS PROVIDING AWC BACKUP.  
INFORMATION FOR AREAS OF ACTIVE THUNDERSTORMS WILL BE ISSUED  
AS NON-CONVECTIVE SIGMETS. THE BACK-UP WILL TAKE PLACE FOR  
THE 8-HOUR PERIOD BEGINNING AT 1300 UTC/0700CST.

DURING THE BACK-UP TEST A FORECASTER AT THE AWC IN KANSAS CITY  
WILL BE COORDINATING CLOSELY WITH THE AFWA FORECASTER. AWC  
WILL BE ABLE TO RESUME FORECASTING SERVICES OR INTERVENE ANYTIME  
DURING THE TEST IF NECESSARY. DURING BACKUP TEST THE AREA  
FORECAST/FA/WILL BE PREPARED AND TRANSMITTED BY THE FORECASTER  
ON DUTY AT AWC.

THE AFWA WILL PREPARE AND ISSUE

AIRMET "S" ...WMO HEADER WAUS1 KBOS KMIA KFTW KCHI KSLC AND KSFO  
AIRMET "T" ...WMO HEADER WAUS1 KBOS KMIA KFTW KCHI KSLC AND KSFO  
AIRMET "Z" ...WMO HEADER WAUS1 KBOS KMIA KFTW KCHI KSLC AND KCHI  
NON-CONVECTIVE SIGMET...WMO HEADER WSUS1 KBOS KMIA KFTW KCHI KSLC  
AND KSFO

A REMINDER MESSAGE WILL BE APPENDED TO THE AREA FORECASTS ISSUED  
ON THE MIDNIGHT SHIFT THE NIGHT BEFORE THE TEST BEGINS.

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS CONCERNING THE AWC BACK-UP TEST...CONTACT

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