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NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE HEADQUARTERS WASHINGTON DC
515 PM EST THU NOV 6 2003

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

FROM MARK ANDREWS
CHIEF...AVIATION SERVICES BRANCH
OFFICE OF CLIMATE...WATER...AND WEATHER SERVICES

SUBJECT BACKUP OF AVIATION WEATHER CENTER PRODUCTS SCHEDULED
FROM 2000 UTC ON NOVEMBER 19 2003 UNTIL 0400 UTC ON
NOVEMBER 20 2003

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

ON WEDNESDAY NOVEMBER 19 2003 AT 2000 COORDINATED UNIVERSAL TIME
/UTC/...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 AREA FORECAST /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 AFWA IS PROVIDING AWC BACKUP. INFORMATION FOR AREAS OF
ACTIVE THUNDERSTORMS WILL BE ISSUED AS NON-CONVECTIVE SIGMETS.

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

DURING THE BACKUP TEST...THE AFWA WILL PREPARE AND ISSUE...

AIRMET S...WMO HEADING WAUS1 <KBOS KMIA KFTW KCHI KSLC AND KSFO>
AIRMET T...WMO HEADING WAUS1 <KBOS KMIA KFTW KCHI KSLC AND KSFO>
AIRMET Z...WMO HEADING WAUS1 <KBOS KMIA KFTW KCHI KSLC AND KCHI>
NON-CONVECTIVE SIGMET...

WMO HEADING 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 OR CONCERNS ABOUT THE AWC BACK-UP
TEST... CONTACT

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