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

FROM: MARK ANDREWS
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SUBJECT: BACKUP OF AVIATION WEATHER CENTER PRODUCTS SCHEDULED FROM 2100 UTC ON NOVEMBER 4 2004 UNTIL 0500 UTC ON NOVEMBER 5 2004

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

ON WEDNESDAY NOVEMBER 4 2004 FROM 2100 COORDINATED UNIVERSAL TIME /UTC/ UNTIL 0500 UTC ON NOVEMBER 5 2004...THE AIR FORCE WEATHER AGENCY /AFWA/ AT OFFUTT AIR FORCE BASE WILL ASSUME...IN A PLANNED BACK-UP TEST...ADVISORY 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/ REGIONS...WHICH ARE NORMALLY PREPARED BY THE AVIATION WEATHER CENTER /AWC/.

DURING THE BACKUP 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 THE BACKUP TEST...THE AREA FORECAST /FA/ WILL BE PREPARED AND TRANSMITTED BY FORECASTERS ON DUTY AT AWC.

AFWA WILL PREPARE AND ISSUE THE FOLLOWING AVIATION ADVISORIES...

CONVECTIVE SIGMET...WORLD METEOROLOGICAL ORGANIZATION /WMO/
HEADERS WSUS40 KMKC...WSUS41 MKMC...WSUS42 KMKC.

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 CONCERNING THE AWC BACK-UP
TEST...CONTACT:

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