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TECHNICAL IMPLEMENTATION NOTICE 08-70
NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE HEADQUARTERS WASHINGTON DC
1135 AM EDT WED SEP 3 2008

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

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CHIEF... AVIATION SERVICES BRANCH

SUBJECT: ELIMINATION OF ROUTINE USE OF ABOVE GROUND LEVEL /AGL/
IN AVIATION WEATHER CENTER ISSUED CHICAGO AND
DALLAS-FORT WORTH AREA FORECASTS:
EFFECTIVE NOVEMBER 5 2008

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

ON WEDNESDAY NOVEMBER 5 2008 THE AVIATION WEATHER CENTER WILL
CEASE ROUTINELY USING ABOVE GROUND LEVEL /AGL/ FORECAST CLOUD
HEIGHTS IN ALL PORTIONS OF THE CHICAGO AND DALLAS-FORT WORTH
AREA FORECASTS. THE CLOUD HEIGHTS IN THE CHICAGO AND DALLAS-FORT
WORTH AREA FORECASTS WILL BECOME MEAN SEA LEVEL /MSL/ TO BE
CONSISTENT WITH THE BOSTON...MIAMI...SALT LAKE CITY...AND SAN
FRANCISCO AREA FORECASTS.

IN LIMITED SITUATIONS AND AT FORECASTER DISCRETION CLOUD HEIGHTS
IN AREA FORECASTS MAY BE ISSUED AS AGL AND LABELED AS SUCH.

PRODUCTS AFFECTED BY THE CHANGE FROM AGL TO MSL ARE:
CHI AREA FORECAST WMO HEADER FAUS43 KKCI
DFW AREA FORECAST WMO HEADER FAUS44 KKCI

FOR QUESTIONS CONCERNING THIS CHANGE...PLEASE CONTACT:

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TECHNICAL IMPLEMENTATION NOTICES ARE ONLINE AT /USE LOWER CASE/:

[HTTP://WWW.WEATHER.GOV/OS/NOTIF.HTM](http://www.weather.gov/os/notif.htm)

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