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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 /FAA/ CUSTOMERS FAMILY OF SERVICES /FOS/ SUBSCRIBERS OTHER CUSTOMERS OF NWS AVIATION FORECASTS
- FROM: KEVIN JOHNSTON 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 /AWC/ WILL CEASE ROUTINELY USING ABOVE GROUND LEVEL /AGL/ FORECAST CLOUD HEIGHTS IN ALL PORTIONS OF THE CHICAGO AND DALLAS-FORT WORTH AREA FORECASTS /FAS/. THE CLOUD HEIGHTS IN THE CHICAGO AND DALLAS-FORT WORTH FAS WILL BECOME MEAN SEA LEVEL /MSL/ TO BE CONSISTENT WITH THE BOSTON...MIAMI...SALT LAKE CITY AND SAN FRANCISCO FAS.

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: WORLD METEOROLOGICAL ORGANIZATION /WMO/ HEADER FAUS43 KKCI

- DFW AREA FORECAST: WMO HEADER FAUS44 KKCI

FOR QUESTIONS CONCERNING THIS CHANGE...PLEASE CONTACT:

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