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PUBLIC INFORMATION STATEMENT...TECHNICAL IMPLEMENTATION NOTICE 99-01 NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE HEADQUARTERS WASHINGTON DC 400 PM EST MON JAN 25 1999

- TO: NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE /NWS/ EMPLOYEES FAMILY OF SERVICES /FOS/ SUBSCRIBERS FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION /FAA/ CUSTOMERS AND EMPLOYEES OTHER CUSTOMERS OF NWS AVIATION PRODUCTS
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SUBJECT: OPERATIONS MANUAL LETTER 9-98...REVISED IN-FLIGHT ADVISORY PLOTTING CHART...EFFECTIVE MARCH 1 1999

NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE /NWS/ OPERATIONS MANUAL LETTER /OML/ 9-98...FILED WITH WEATHER SERVICE OPERATIONS MANUAL /WSOM/ CHAPTERS D-20...AVIATION AREA FORECASTS...D-22...IN-FLIGHT AVIATION WEATHER ADVISORIES AND D-25...SUPPORT TO AIR TRAFFIC FACILITIES...CONTAINS A REVISED IN-FLIGHT ADVISORY PLOTTING CHART WITH THE REFERENCE POINTS FOR IN-FLIGHT ADVISORIES. IT ALSO PROVIDES THE LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE...IN DEGREES /DEG/ AND MINUTES OF A DEGREE /MIN/...FOR EACH OF THE REFERENCE POINTS.

NWS FORECASTERS SHALL BEGIN USING THE POINTS ON THE NEW REFERENCE CHART ON MARCH 1 1999.

BOTH THE CHART AND A TEXT FILE CONTAINING THE REFERENCE POINTS WITH THE LATITUDE /LAT/ AND LONGITUDE /LON/ FOR EACH OF THE POINTS ARE DOWNLOADABLE FROM THE NWS AVIATION WEATHER CENTER /AWC/ WEBPAGE AT /USE LOWER CASE/:

HTTP://WWW.AWC-KC.NOAA.GOV BY CLICKING ON..."NEW ADVISORY PLOTTING CHART." THE INFORMATION IS ALSO VIEWABLE AND DOWNLOADABLE FROM THE AWC PRODUCTS PAGE AT /USE LOWER CASE/:

HTTP://WWW.AWC-KC.NOAA.GOV/AVIATION WEATHER CENTER.HTML AFTER CLICKING ON EITHER AIRMAN'S METEOROLOGICAL INFORMATION /AIRMETS/ OR DOMESTIC SIGNIFICANT METEOROLOGICAL INFORMATION /SIGMETS/ THEN..."NEW CHART/EFFECTIVE MARCH 1 1999/".

IMPORTANT...SINCE THE OML WAS PUBLISHED...ERRORS IN A NUMBER OF REFERENCE POINTS ON THE NEW CHART HAVE BEEN FOUND:

ABI: LAT SHOULD BE 32 DEG 29 MIN ENE: LAT SHOULD BE 43 DEG 26 MIN MIA: LAT SHOULD BE 25 DEG 48 MIN...LON SHOULD BE -80 DEG 18 MIN MSY: LAT SHOULD BE 30 DEG 00 MIN...LON SHOULD BE -90 DEG 16 MIN PDX: LAT SHOULD BE 45 DEG 36 MIN...LON SHOULD BE -122 DEG 05 MIN PHX: LAT SHOULD BE 33 DEG 42 MIN...LON SHOULD BE -112 DEG 05 MIN SBY: LON SHOULD BE -75 DEG 31 MIN MKG: IS ON THE REVISED REFERENCE CHART BUT NOT IN THE LISTING...LAT IS 43 DEG 10 MIN...LON -86 DEG 02 MIN.

AS OF JANUARY 25 1999...THE LAT/LON INFORMATION IN THE DOWNLOADABLE FILE FROM AWC WAS CORRECT FOR ALL REFERENCE POINTS ON THE CHART. THE NWS OFFICE OF METEOROLOGY IS WORKING TO ISSUE PEN AND INK AND PAGE CHANGE CORRECTIONS TO THE OML.

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS CONCERNING THE NEW REFERENCE CHART...CONTACT:

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