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Agenda Item 8: Regional Implementation of World Area Forecast System (WAFS)

1) implementation issues associated with cessation of ISCS-G2

UPDATE TO THE WIFS REGISTRATION PROCESS

(Presented by the United States of America)

SUMMARY

This Information Paper provides an update to the World Area Forecast System (WAFS) Internet File Service (WIFS) process for users to request an Identification and Password as called out by CNS/MET SG/14-WP/36. This paper relates to:

Strategic Objectives:

- A. Safety – Enhance global civil aviation safety
- D. Efficiency – Enhance the efficiency of aviation operations

Global Plan Initiatives:

- GPI-18 Aeronautical information
- GPI-19 Meteorological Systems

1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 In the CNS/MET SG/14-WP/36 (WIFS Update), discussion point #2.6 stated that users needed an identification and password to access WIFS, and it provided guidance on the process to follow to request this access. Since the development of WP/36, this mechanism to request access has changed.

2. DISCUSSION

2.1.1 WP/36 stated that “Users will need an identification and password to access WIFS. Requests for access should be directly sent to associated email specified account on the form, or directly to Mr. Steven Albersheim, Steven.Albersheim@faa.gov . Requests should

follow the format and information contained in the WIFS User Guide, or it that can be found on the WIFS web-site, and an example of this authorization form can be found in Appendix B”.

2.2 At the time the WP/36 was written, the plan was to require users to fill out a Portable Document Format (PDF) registration form, and an example of that form was presented in Appendix B. This form was then to be emailed by the user to Mr. Steven Albersheim.

2.3 However, since then, the WIFS web-site now hosts an on-line form, and a snapshot of this is presented in Figure 1 below. When a user submits this form, it will automatically be sent to various FAA personnel (including Mr. Steven Albersheim) as part of the approval process. This online form now supercedes the need for users to submit a request using the PDF form.

2.4 It should also be noted, that over time the fields on this on-line form may change.

The screenshot shows the WIFS Internet File Service (WIFS) registration form. The page header includes the NOAA logo, the title "WIFS Internet File Service (WIFS) Aviation Weather Center CAWS System", and navigation links for Home, News, Organization, and Search. A secondary navigation bar contains links for Description, Documents, Products, Support, Vendors, WIFS Transition, Changes, Advisories, and Contact Us. The main content area is titled "WIFS Registration Form" and contains the following sections and fields:

- New or Updated Registration:** A dropdown menu set to "New".
- Date (mm-dd-yyyy):** A text field containing "07/15/2010".
- General Information:**
 - Enter state name:** Text field with "Example".
 - Enter state ID:** Text field with "EXAM".
 - Enter WAFAC:** Dropdown menu set to "US".
- WorkStation Information:**
 - WorkStation e-mail address:** Text field with "wafy@example.com".
 - WorkStation Phone:** Text field with "(123) 456-7890".
 - WorkStation Address (Street number):** Text field with "23423 ABC Street".
 - Enter WorkStation City State, Postal Code:** Text field with "Justan, Exemple 45322".
 - WorkStation Vendor:** Text field with "Coropor".
 - WorkStation Operating System:** Text field with "Windows XP".
- Point of Contact Information:**
 - First Name:** Text field with "John".
 - Last Name:** Text field with "Smith".
 - POC e-mail address:** Text field with "john@example.com".
 - Enter POC Phone:** Text field with "(123) 456-7890".
 - Address (Street Number):** Text field with "23423 ABC Street".
 - Enter City State, Postal Code:** Text field with "Justan, Exemple 45622".
- Comments (Other Information):** A large text area containing the text "This is an example, not a real user application."

At the bottom of the form is a "Submit Registration" button.

Figure 1 WIFS On-line Registration Form

3. RECOMMENDATION

- 3.1 The meeting is invited to note the information in this paper.
