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SUBJECT: Change of Identifier for New York Oceanic Flight  
Information Region (FIR), effective April 14, 2016

NOTE: The following changes have no impact on NOAA  
Weather Wire Service subscribers.

Effective April 14, 2016, at 1500 Coordinated Universal Time (UTC), 1100 a.m. Eastern Daylight Time, the NWS will begin using the recently implemented 3-letter identifier ZWY for the New York Oceanic Flight Information Region (FIR) in all NWS products. This will replace the previously used ZNY identifier for the New York Oceanic FIR. The New York FIR over land will continue to be referenced via the ZNY identifier.

FIRs are geographical areas referenced by air traffic controllers and in weather forecasts and warnings. The descriptions and GIS files for the FIRs are maintained by the International Civil Aviation Organization.

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