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- 1. Terminal control facilities have the option to limit the AWW, convective SIGMET, SIGMET, or CWA broadcast as follows: local control and approach control positions may opt to broadcast SIGMET or CWA alerts only when any part of the area described is within 50 miles of the airspace under their jurisdiction.
- **2.** In areas where HIWAS is available, ARTCC, Terminal ATC, and FSS facilities no longer broadcast Inflight Weather Advisories as described above in paragraph a. See paragraphs b1 and b2 below.
- b. Hazardous Inflight Weather Advisory Service (HIWAS). HIWAS is an automated, continuous broadcast of inflight weather advisories, provided by FSS over select VOR outlets, which include the following weather products: AWW, SIGMET, Convective SIGMET, CWA, AIRMET (text [WA] or graphical [G-AIRMET] products), and urgent PIREP. HIWAS is available throughout the conterminous United States as an additional source of hazardous weather information. HIWAS does not replace preflight or inflight weather briefings from FSS. Pilots should call FSS if there are any questions about weather that is different than forecasted or if the HIWAS broadcast appears to be in error.
- **1.** Where HIWAS is available, ARTCC and terminal ATC facilities will broadcast, upon receipt,

a HIWAS alert once on all frequencies, except emergency frequencies. Included in the broadcast will be an alert announcement, frequency instruction, number, and type of advisory updated; for example, AWW, SIGMET, Convective SIGMET, or CWA.

EXAMPLE-

Attention all aircraft. Hazardous weather information (SIGMET, Convective SIGMET, AIRMET (text [WA] or graphical [G-AIRMET] product), Urgent Pilot Weather Report [UUA], or Center Weather Advisory [CWA], Number or Numbers) for (geographical area) available on HIWAS or Flight Service frequencies.

2. Upon notification of an update to HIWAS, FSS will broadcast a HIWAS update announcement once on all frequencies except emergency frequencies. Included in the broadcast will be the type of advisory updated; for example, AWW, SIGMET, Convective SIGMET, CWA, etc.

EXAMPLE-

Attention all aircraft. Hazardous weather information for (geographical area) available from Flight Service.

3. HIWAS availability is notated with VOR listings in the Chart Supplement U.S., and is shown by symbols on IFR Enroute Low Altitude Charts and VFR Sectional Charts. The symbol depiction is identified in the chart legend.

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