

MEMORANDUM

10 JUNE 1999

FROM: WM. A. ORVIS ,AA METEOROLOGIST, EMPLOYEE #174345

TO: W. QUALLEY, MANAGER, AA WEATHER SERVICES


SUBJ: REQUEST FOR STATEMENT TO NTSB

REF: (A) YOUR E-MAIL OF 10 JUN

1. PER YOUR REQUEST FOR MY STATEMENT REGARDING MY ACTIONS ON THUNDERSTORM WATCH OVER ARKANSAS ON THE NIGHT OF 1 JUNE, 1999 THE FOLLOWING IS SUBMITTED:

A. I WORKED THE ENROUTE DESK THAT EVENING THRU 2300CDT. I PROVIDED GRAPHIC FORECAST SNAPSHOTS OF THUNDERSTORM ACTIVITY VIA COMPANY FLIGHT PLANNING GUIDANCE CHARTS. I ALSO ISSUED A NOTICE TO ALL DISPATCHERS OF THE NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICES SEVERE THUNDERSTORM WATCH #357 FOR AR AT 02/0239Z. I THEN FOLLOWED UP THAT NOTICE WITH MY OWN COMPANY THUNDERSTORM SIGMEC FOR AN AREA COVERING WESTERN HALF OF AR VALID THRU 02/0800Z.

B. I WAS UNAWARE OF ANY ACTION TAKEN BY THE LITTLE ROCK, NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE OFFICE. THAT INFORMATION, NOR SIMILAR LOCAL WARNINGS FOR ANY OTHER AREAS ARE NOT NORMALLY RECEIVED BY THE AA WEATHER SERVICES OFFICE.


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