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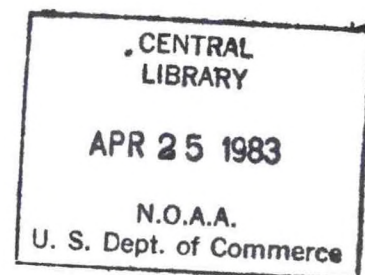
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I. GENERAL INFORMATION

A. Introduction

Program WXPLOT creates an hourly weather depiction chart for display on the GDM of an AFOS console. The station models used on the WXPLOT chart are similar to those of the NMC weather depiction plot NMCGPHPOW but are intended for use on a regional scale with greater data density.

One addition to the NMC station model is a single letter describing the flying weather at the station. If the observed ceiling and visibility meet the criteria for IFR weather, an "I" is plotted to the right of the station circle. Similarly, an "M" is plotted for marginal VFR weather. These characters depict the flying conditions at a glance and can greatly simplify the hand analysis of the chart.

WXPLOT is designed as an adjunct to the job stream for plotting hourly weather observations (SAO's) in conventional station model format on a regional basis (Appendix 1). The valuable information that the ceiling and visibility data provide to the aviation forecaster or briefer more than compensates for the small amount of time WXPLOT adds to the regional plotting job.

B. Program Environment

WXPLOT is intended to run in the background partition of the Data Processing and Control Minicomputer (DPCM) at a forecast office (WSFO). It is written in Data General's FORTRAN IV and requires approximately 12K of 16-bit core memory. Although the program could be made to execute in the limited core space available at a WSO, the disk files required by the entire regional plotting job are too large for a WSO's available disk space.

Disk storage for WXPLOT consists of three files: the program core image WXPLOT.SV (14,336 decimal bytes), the input file WXDATA.bb

(12 bytes per station, typically 2,400 decimal bytes), and the output file DPOF:WXPLOT.SC (about 20 bytes per station, maximum length 6000 decimal bytes). If plots for more than one background are used at a particular station, an additional WXDATA.bb will be created for each background.

Execution time for WXPLOT.SV is approximately 20 seconds. The additional output routines in program PLTGENW increase its execution time a small amount.

Only one I/O channel is required: the same channel is used to read the communications file SAOXXX, read the input data WXDATA.bb, and output the graphics file DPOF:WXPLOT.SC. All channels are fetched with a call to the UTIL.LB subroutine GCHN.

C. References

The regional plotting job stream was developed by Richard Thomas, now with the AFOS Operations Division, National Weather Service Headquarters. This is an extensive system of AFOS background programs to decode surface observations (SAO's), search a large master station directory STDIR.MS for the plotting coordinates of each station, and convert the observed data into NMC plotfile format. The plotfiles may then be plotted in conventional station models with program MODELUGF or in a model of specialized design with program PMOD. The REGPLOT program referenced in this documentation is MODELUGF with modifications by Mr. Thomas.

Program WXPLOT uses the present weather symbol plotting routine from program MODELUGF by Dr. Richard C. Chia of the Systems Development Office, National Weather Service Headquarters. The original subroutine CYMBL was modified slightly into subroutine WSYM.

II. APPLICATION PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

A. Functional Description

WXPLOT is designed to plot weather depiction models (ceiling, visibility, current weather or obstructions to vision) on a regional background (approximately 15 average-size states). Because data are only reformatted into a plotting model, no equations are used by the program. Criteria for determining the flying weather are as follows: an "I" for IFR is plotted if the ceiling is below one thousand feet and/or the visibility is less than three miles, an "M" for Marginal VFR is plotted if the ceiling is at or below 3 thousand feet and at or above one thousand feet and/or the visibility is less than or equal to five miles and greater than or equal to three miles. If the ceiling is above three thousand feet and the visibility is greater than five miles, no letter is plotted to the right of the station circle.

Input to program WXPLOT is from program PLTGENW. PLTGENW is a slightly modified version of PLTGEN, written by Richard Thomas. All of the variables plotted by WXPLOT plus the I and J coordinates of the stations are available in program PLTGEN; but some of the variables are not output, and there is no provision for cloud height in the NMC plotfile format. Therefore, PLTGENW outputs an intermediate file WXDATA.bb (where bb is the map background number) containing all of the information needed by WXPLOT.

WXPLOT requires file SAOXXX to determine the map background number. SAOXXX is created by program SAODEC and its complete format is described in the documentation for program SAODEC. The map background number used by WXPLOT is stored in the sixth word.

Output from program WXPLOT is to file DPOF:WXPLOT.SC. This file is then routed to database product NMCGFHPii, where ii is the map background number plus 50. Subroutine FSTOR from the background library BG.LB (or from the Topeka library TOP.LB) is used to store the output file into the AFOS database.

A console alert is generated to signal program completion.

B. Program Structure

The following meteorological variables are available to WXPLOT through the intermediate file WXDATA.bb: present weather in synoptic code (ww), visibility in SAODEC format (whole miles if positive, thousandths of a mile if negative), total cloud amount, ceiling indicator and ceiling height (lowest cloud layer if ceiling is unlimited, or zero for clear or missing). A single bit is used to indicate a surface temperature less than 36 degrees Fahrenheit. If the present weather symbol is a thunderstorm and this bit is set, a snowflake is plotted instead of a raindrop.

The first step performed by WXPLOT is to reformat the

visibility. If visibility is seven miles or greater, this step is skipped, and no visibility is plotted. Visibility in sixteenths of a mile is converted to a proper fraction.

Sky cover is reformatted next. The station circle is filled as follows:

Sky Cover	SAODEC Code	Station Circle (Oktas)
-----	-----	-----
Clear	C	0
Scattered	S	3
Broken	B	6
Overcast	O	8
Obscured	X	9
Missing	Any other	?

If sky cover is broken or greater, the height of the ceiling (if it exists) is plotted in hundreds of feet below the station circle. If the ceiling is unlimited because the sky cover is thin (-), no value is plotted. For scattered clouds, the height of the lowest scattered layer (in hundreds of feet) is plotted below the station circle.

Flying conditions are computed from ceiling and visibility. The value determined in accordance with the conditions specified in part II A of this documentation is plotted to the right of the station circle.

Visibility and the current weather symbol are plotted to the left of the station circle if both can fit in the space required by two special graphics characters. If the current weather symbol and the visibility require more space, the current weather is plotted in its proper position, and the visibility is centered above the station circle.

Subroutine WSYM determines the special characters required for the current weather symbol and returns all necessary code including the special character flags and line feeds.

Graphics formatting is handled by the following subroutines from TOP.LB: GPREP initializes the graphics array, GOFST (an entry point of GTEXT) plots the offset characters used in the station models, GTEXT plots the date/time group, GFMT adds extra bytes required by Universal Transmission Format and writes the disk output file. One call is made to subroutine GVEC to plot a dummy vector at the end of the graphics file. The word count included with this mode helps the AFOS display software locate the end of the valid data.

All disk input and output is performed by calls to UTIL.LB subroutines. The program also uses several character handling routines from UTIL.LB. The output file DPOF:WXPLOT.SC is stored in the AFOS database with subroutine FSTOR, and the operator is alerted

to program completion with subroutine FORKP. The latter two subroutines reside on BG.LB and have been duplicated on TOP.LB.

Input to WXPLOT is from file WXDATA.bb, where bb is the map background number. The first four words of WXDATA contain the date and time of the data. Data values follow in six-word blocks. There is no special end-of-file marker. The format of file WXDATA is detailed in Appendix 2.

Output from WXPLOT is to disk file DPOF:WXPLOT.SC. This file is in AFOS Universal Transmission Format and is routed to the AFOS database using product key NMCGPHPi, where ii is equal to the map background number plus 50.

WXPLOT.SV is a self-contained executable load module. No overlays are used. The load line is:

```
RLDR WXPLOT WSYM UTIL.LB TOP.LB FORT.LB
```

The load line for program PLTGENW is:

```
RLDR PLTGENW BNSCH INASC WXD UTIL.LB TOP.LB FORT.LB
```


III. PROGRAM TESTING AND IMPLEMENTATION

A. Procedures for Program Implementation

At a WSFO, applications software normally resides on DPOF. Before moving PLTGENW.SV and WXPLOT.SV to DPOF, the original PLTGEN.SV needs to be moved from, deleted or unlinked on both DPO and DPOF. After moving the new PLTGENW.SV and WXPLOT.SV to DPOF, create the following links on DPO:

```
DIR DPO
LINK PLTGEN.SV DPOF:PLTGENW.SV
LINK WXPLOT.SV DPOF:WXPLOT.SV
```

The SAO decoder program chains to PLTGEN.SV, so this alias needs to exist on the operations disk. Note that it links the execution flow to the new PLTGENW.SV on DPOF. PLTGENW.SV does not chain to any other programs. Other programs in the job stream must be contained in a MACRO file.

WXPLOT.SV is of no use without the other programs in the regional plot series. The following files are required to do a regional plot and weather depiction plot. All files must reside on DPO or have links on DPO directing RDOS to the resolution files.

```
SAODEC.SV
SAOD1.(SV,OL)
CCCLIST.nn
PLTGEN.SV linked to PLTGENW.SV
PLTGENW.SV
MBKINDEX
STDIR.MS
REGPLOT.(SV,OL) or MODELUGF.(SV,OL) or
  PMOD.SV and its associated files
WXPLOT.SV
```

The master station directory STDIR.MS is often linked to a newer directory named STDIR.RT. A flow chart detailing all files required and created by the regional plot job is presented in Appendix 1.

Plotting of the regional charts is normally executed through a MACRO file. The usual convention is to name the file PLOTxxx.MC, where xxx is the product designator of the chart to be plotted. To execute the plotting programs, the AFOS operator merely enters the command RUN:PLOTxxx. MACROS can be created with the text editor, the RDOS XFER command, or with the AFOS M:F/ command. The MACRO file for the creation of chart NMCGPHP16 would contain the following CLI commands:

```
SAODEC 16/B 16/C
REGPLOT NMCP16/F NMCGPHP16
WXPLOT
```

B. Sample Run for Testing

These programs operate on real-time input data (SAO's) available in the local station's database. Most hourly data are available about ten minutes after the hour, although waiting until H+30 may add a few more stations. Special observations entered after the hour are used only if the appropriate switch is set in the command line for program SAODEC. The plotting job is executed with a MACRO as described above. Sample output is presented in Appendices 3 and 4.

C. Error codes and Restrictions

System errors are handled through the UTIL.LB subroutine ERROR. Most of these errors will occur because of missing files when setting up the program. Unfortunately, ERROR's messages are not printed when a program is run from an ADM command. It is good practice, therefore, to initiate the program MACRO from the Printer Keyboard (Dasher) the first few runs.

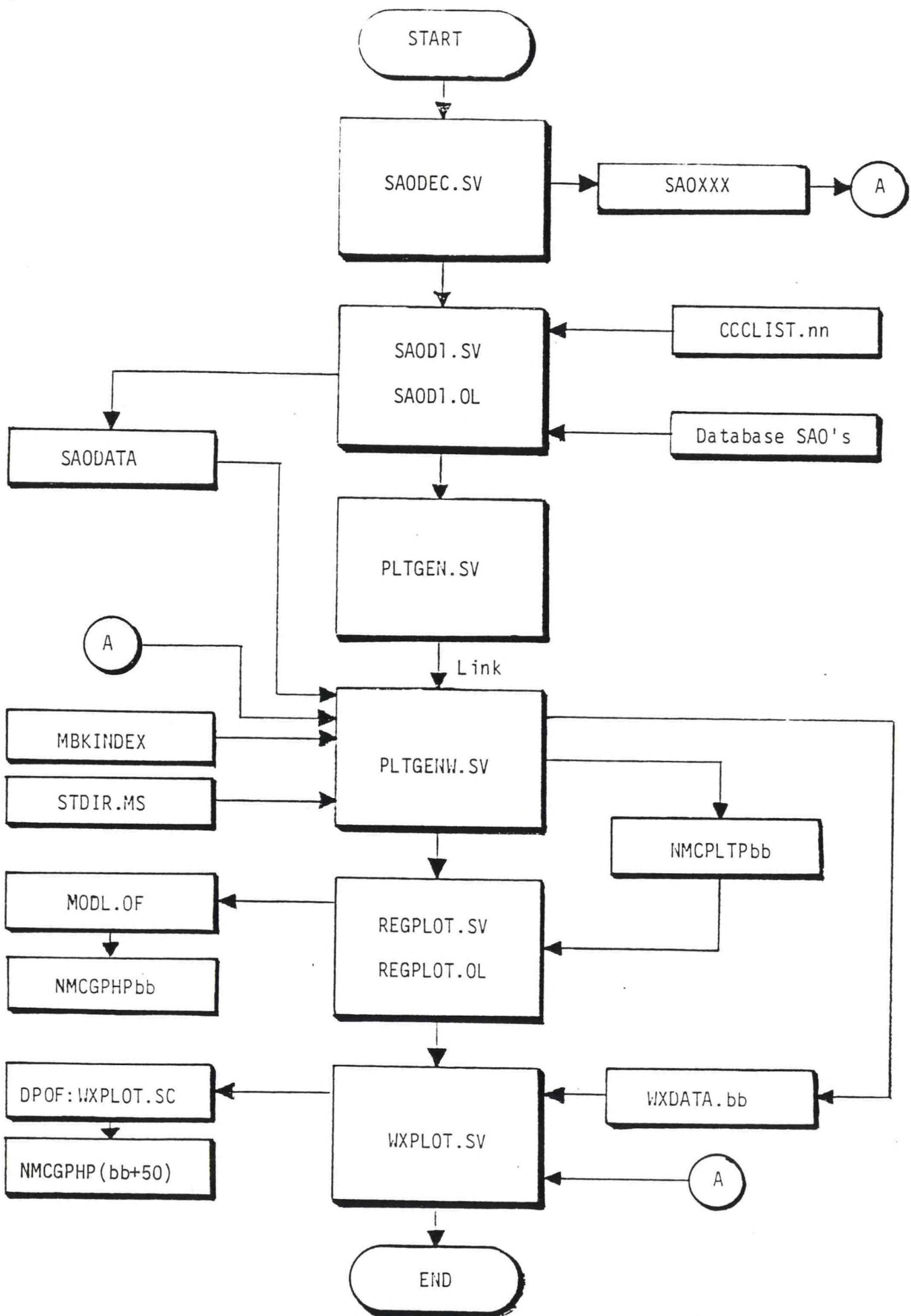
WXPLOT has built-in overflow protection. If the number of stations exceeds the maximum (about 300), additional reports are bypassed and processing continues. Thus, there are no fatal error conditions created by the input data.

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- APPENDIX 7 - Subroutine source listing: WSYM

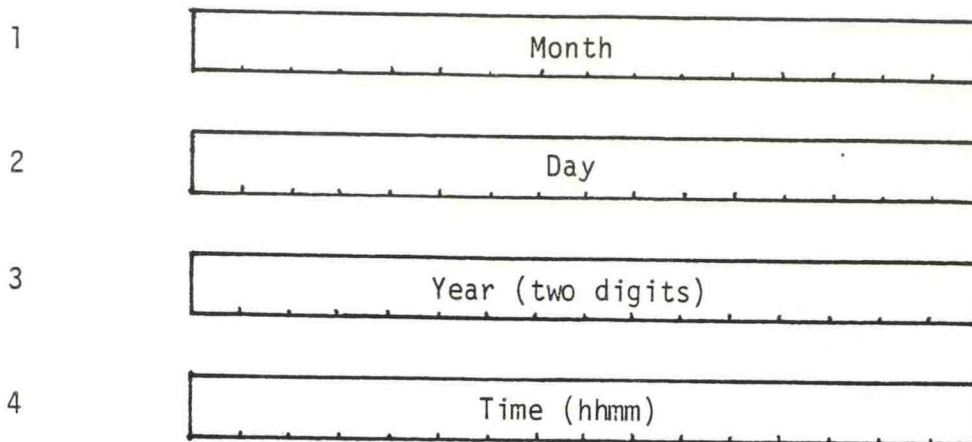
NOTE: Modifications to program PLTGEN are indicated by boxes on the source listing for PLTGENW.

APPENDIX 1

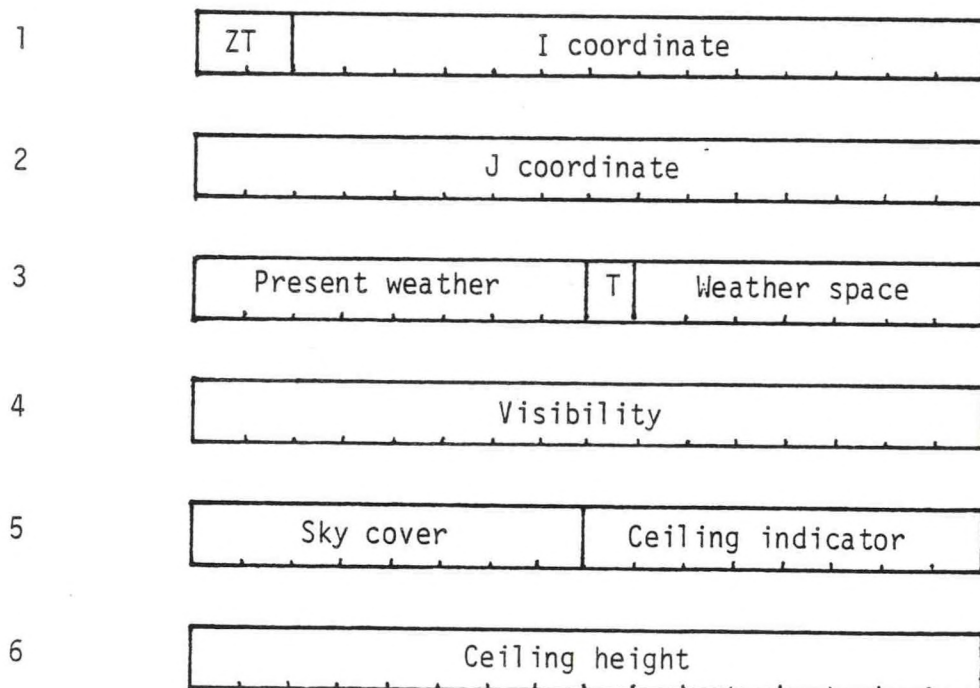


APPENDIX 2

FORMAT OF FILE WXDATA.bb



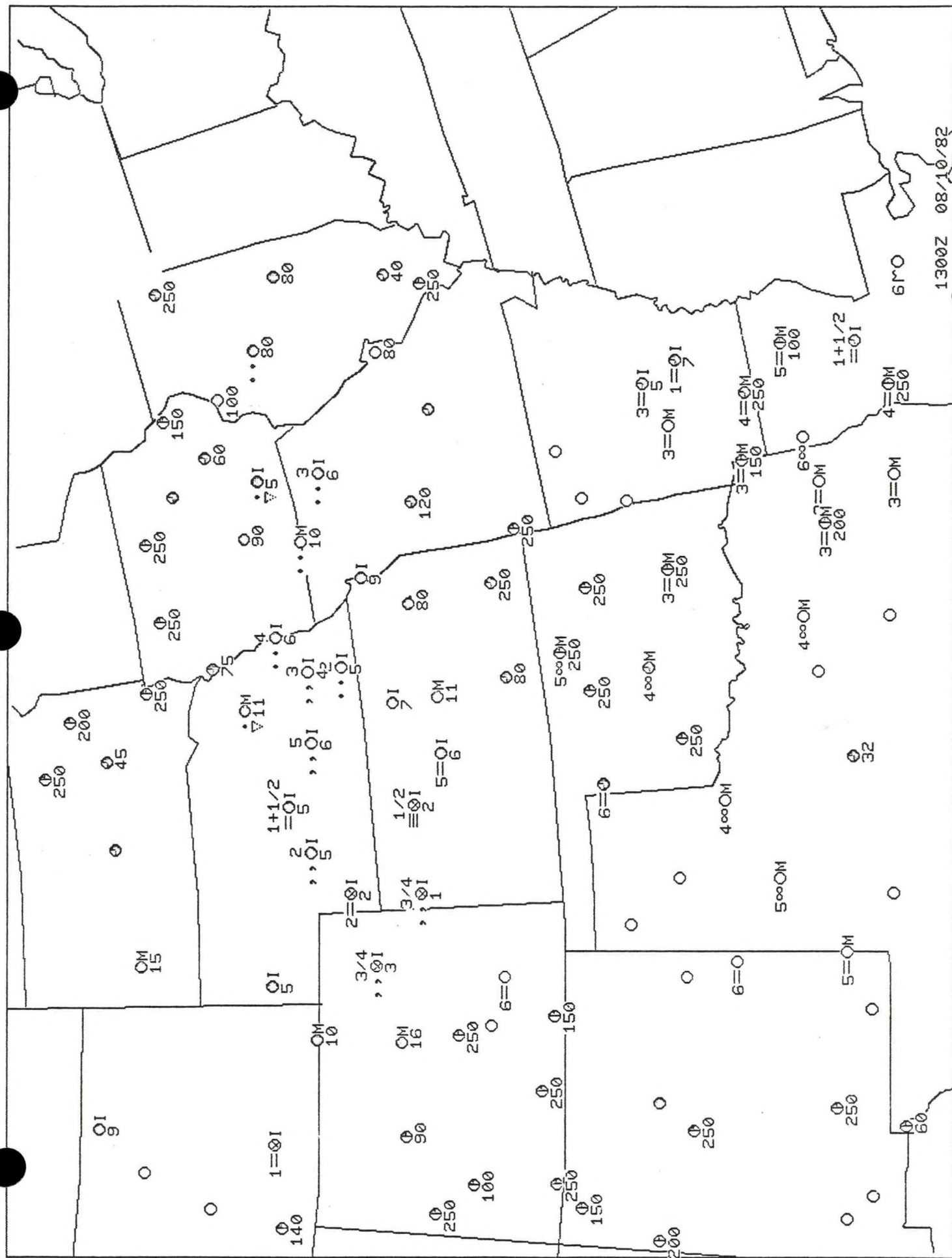
FOUR-WORD HEADER BLOCK

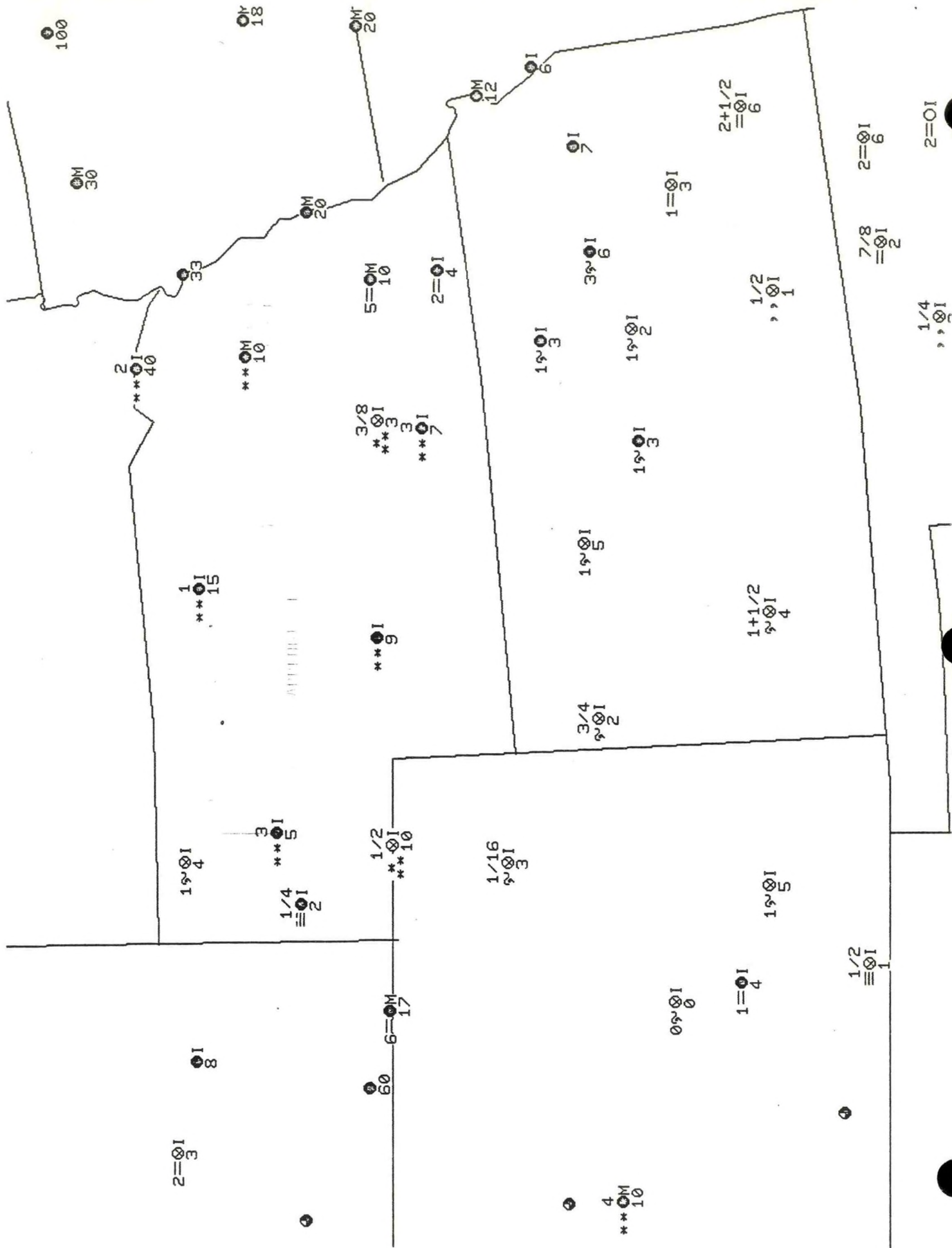


SIX-WORD DATA BLOCK

ZT = zoom threshold T = temperature flag

All values are binary except for sky cover and ceiling indicator, which are ASCII. Word 6 is zero for missing or clear.





APPENDIX 5

PLTGENW.FR

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C*** PLOTEILE GENERATOR *****

C MODIFIED VERSION TO OUTPUT WX DEPICTION, WSFO TOPEKA

C*** RICH THOMAS ,NMC

C*** THIS PROGRAM READS DATA DECODED BY SAODEC (IN FILE: SAODATA)

C*** AND REFORMATS IT IN PLOTFILE FORM FOR GRAPHIC CODING BY REGPLOT.SV

C*** COMMAND:

C PLTGEN

(NO OPTIONS, GETS CONTROLLING PARAMETERS FROM
WHICH WAS CREATED BY SAODEC.SV)

C
C
C

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COMMON /NWEA/NWX,NSYN,ISYN
DIMENSION NSYN(74),NWX(198)
DIMENSION IBUF(100),JBUF(90),ID(10),J(6),IC1(20)
DIMENSION ID1(7),IWID(7)
DIMENSION IC2(20),IC3(20),IAD(2),ISYN(100)
INTEGER SF
DATA ISYN/60K,60K,60K,61K,61K,61K,61K,61K,
162K,61K,61K,61K,61K,61K,61K,61K,61K,61K,
262K,62K,62K,62K,62K,64K,64K,64K,62K,62K,
362K,61K,62K,62K,61K,62K,61K,61K,61K,61K,62K,
461K,62K,62K,61K,61K,62K,62K,61K,61K,61K,62K,
561K,64K,63K,64K,61K,61K,61K,63K,61K,62K,61K,
664K,63K,64K,61K,61K,61K,63K,61K,62K,61K,64K,
763K,64K,61K,61K,61K,61K,63K,63K,63K,63K,63K,
863K,63K,63K,63K,63K,63K,62K,62K,62K,63K,
963K,63K,63K,63K,71K/
INUM(IA,IB,IC,ID,IE) = (((((IA-48)*10+(IB-48))*10+
1(IC-48))*10+(ID-48))*10+IE-48
CALL GCHN(JCHN,IER)
CALL OPENN(JCHN,'SAOXXX',0,IER)
CALL ERROR(IER,'PLTGEN-SAOXXX NOT FOUND')
NBYTES=16
CALL RDS(JCHN,JBUF,NBYTES,IER)
MBK=JBUF(6)
CALL KLOSE(JCHN,IER)
CALL GCHN(ICHN,IER)
CALL OPENN(ICHN,'MBKINDEX',0,IER)
CALL ERROR(IER,'MBKINDEX NOT FOUND')
NBYTES=40
CALL RDS(ICHN,IBUF,NBYTES,IER) ;GET PAST COMMS HEADER
IA=48
IB=48
IC=48
NBYTES=64
5 CALL RDS(ICHN,JBUF,NBYTES,IER)
IF(IER.EQ.9)GO TO 900
CALL ERROR(IER,'PLTGEN-RDS')
CALL UNPACK(JBUF,NBYTES,IBUF)
IM=INUM(IA,IB,IC,IBUF(1),IBUF(2))
IF(IM.EQ.MBK)GO TO 15
GO TO 5
15 IF1=1
JF=1
DO 10 K=20,51
10 IF(IBUF(K).EQ.40K)IBUF(K)=60K

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NF=INUM(IA,IB,IC,IBUF(20),IBUF(21))
IXP=INUM(IA,IB,IC,IBUF(23),IBUF(24))
SF=INUM(IA,IB,IC,IBUF(26),IBUF(27))
IREF=INUM(IBUF(29),IBUF(30),IBUF(31),IBUF(32),IBUF(33))
JREF=INUM(IBUF(35),IBUF(36),IBUF(37),IBUF(38),IBUF(39))
DO 11 K=41,45
  IF (IBUF(K).EQ.55K) IF1=-1
  IF (IBUF(K).EQ.55K) IBUF(K)=60K
11 CONTINUE
  DO 12 K=47,51
    IF (IBUF(K).EQ.55K) JF=-1
    IF (IBUF(K).EQ.55K) IBUF(K)=60K
12 CONTINUE
  IPOLE=INUM(IBUF(41),IBUF(42),IBUF(43),IBUF(44),IBUF(45))*IF1
  JPOLE=INUM(IBUF(47),IBUF(48),IBUF(49),IBUF(50),IBUF(51))*JF
  IF (IF1.EQ.-1) IBUF(41)=55K
  IF (JF.EQ.-1) IBUF(47)=55K
  CALL KLOSE(ICHN,IER)
  IOFF=IREF/2-IPOLE/4
  JOFF=JREF/2-JPOLE/4
  ID(1)='<0>N'
  ID(2)='<0>M'
  ID(3)='<0>C'
  ID(4)='<0>P'
  ID(5)='<0>L'
  ID(6)='<0>T'
  ID(7)='<0>P'
  ID(8)=IBUF(1)
  ID(9)=IBUF(2)
  ID(10)=56K
  NB=20
  CALL PACK(ID,NB,ID)
  ID(6)=20040K
  ID(7)=20040K
  ID(8)=20040K
  ID(9)=20040K
  ID(10)=20040K
  JBUF(1)=127K; W
  JBUF(2)=130K; X
  JBUF(3)=104K; D
  JBUF(4)=101K; A
  JBUF(5)=124K; T
  JBUF(6)=101K; A
  JBUF(7)=56K; .
  JBUF(8)=IBUF(1)
  JBUF(9)=IBUF(2)
  JBUF(10)=0
  CALL PACK(JBUF,10,IWID)
  CALL DELETE(IWID,IER)
  CALL CRAND(IWID,IER)
  CALL ERROR(IER,"PLTGENW -CRAND")
  CALL DELETE(ID,IER)
  CALL CRAND(ID,IER)
  CALL ERROR(IER,"PLTGEN-CRAND")
  CALL UNPACK(ID,9,IBUF)
  IBUF(10)=60K
  IBUF(11)=60K
  IBUF(12)=60K
  IBUF(13)=377K
  IBUF(14)=377K

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IBUF(15)=377K
IBUF(16)=377K
IBUF(17)=3
IBUF(18)=0
IBUF(19)=305K
IBUF(20)=200K
CALL GCHN(JCHN, IER)
CALL ERROR( IER, 'PLTGEN-JCHN')
CALL OPENN(JCHN, 'SAODATA', 0, IER)
CALL ERROR( IER, 'SAODATA NOT FOUND')
CALL GCHN(ICHN, IER)
CALL ERROR( IER, 'PLTGEN-ICHN')
CALL OPENN(ICHN, ID, 0, IER)
CALL ERROR( IER, 'PLTGEN-WRS1')
CALL GCHN(IWCH, IER)
CALL ERROR( IER, "PLTGEN-WCHAN")
CALL OPENN(IWCH, IWID, 0, IER)
CALL ERROR( IER, "PLTGEN-WOPN")
NBYTES=40
CALL PACK( IBUF, NBYTES, JBUF)
NBYTES=20
CALL WRS( ICHN, JBUF, NBYTES, IER)
CALL ERROR( IER, 'PLTGEN-WRITE')
IBUF(12)=61K
ISCALE=4000/NF
CALL INASC( ISCALE, J)
K=0
IF( ISCALE.LT.1000)GO TO 6
IBUF(13)=60K
IBUF(14)=J(1)
GO TO 7
6 IBUF(13)=60K
IBUF(14)=60K
K=-1
7 IBUF(15)=J(2+K)
IBUF(16)=J(3+K)
IBUF(17)=J(4+K)
IBUF(18)=62K
IBUF(19)=60K
IBUF(20)=64K
IBUF(21)=70K
IBUF(22)=61K
IBUF(23)=65K
IBUF(24)=63K
IBUF(25)=66K
IBUF(26)=IBUF(54)
IBUF(27)=IBUF(55)
IBUF(28)=IBUF(56)
IBUF(29)=IBUF(57)
IBUF(30)=IBUF(60)
IBUF(31)=IBUF(61)
IBUF(32)=IBUF(62)
IBUF(33)=IBUF(63)
IBUF(34)=IBUF(41)
IBUF(35)=IBUF(42)
IBUF(36)=IBUF(43)
IBUF(37)=IBUF(44)
IBUF(38)=IBUF(45)
IBUF(39)=IBUF(47)
IBUF(40)=IBUF(48)

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IBUF(41)=IBUF(49)
IBUF(42)=IBUF(50)
IBUF(43)=IBUF(51)
NBYTES=8
CALL RDS(JCHN,JBUF,NBYTES,IER)
CALL ERROR(IER,'PLTGEN-RDS')
NBYTES=8
CALL WRS(IWCH,JBUF,NBYTES,IER)
CALL ERROR(IER,"PLTGEN-WDTG")
IT=JBUF(4)/100
CALL INASC(IT,J)
IBUF(44)=J(1)
IBUF(45)=J(2)
CALL INASC(JBUF(2),J)
IBUF(46)=J(1)
IBUF(47)=J(2)
CALL INASC(JBUF(1),J)
IBUF(48)=J(1)
IBUF(49)=J(2)
CALL INASC(JBUF(3),J)
IBUF(50)=J(1)
IBUF(51)=J(2)
CALL INASC(JBUF(4),J)
IBUF(52)=IBUF(44)
IBUF(53)=IBUF(45)
CALL INASC(MOD(JBUF(4),100),J)
IBUF(54)=J(1)
IBUF(55)=J(2)
DO 9 K=44,55
IF (IBUF(K).NE.32)GO TO 9
IBUF(K)=IBUF(K-1)
IBUF(K-1)=60K
9 CONTINUE
IBUF(56)=15K
IBUF(57)=12K
IBUF(58)=61K
IBUF(59)=60K
IBUF(60)=60K
IBUF(61)=60K
IBUF(62)=54K
IBUF(63)=60K
IBUF(64)=60K
IBUF(65)=61K
IBUF(66)=65K
IBUF(67)=54K
IBUF(68)=61K
IBUF(69)=60K
IBUF(70)=60K
IBUF(71)=60K
IBUF(72)=60K
IBUF(73)=132K
IBUF(74)=54K
IBUF(75)=IBUF(52)
IBUF(76)=IBUF(53)
IBUF(77)=IBUF(54)
IBUF(78)=IBUF(55)
IBUF(79)=132K
IBUF(80)=56K;
IBUF(81)=56K
IBUF(82)=IBUF(48)

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IBUF(83)=IBUF(49)
IBUF(84)=57K
IBUF(85)=IBUF(46)
IBUF(86)=IBUF(47)
IBUF(87)=57K
IBUF(88)=IBUF(50)
IBUF(89)=IBUF(51)
IBUF(90)=73K
IBUF(91)=15K
IBUF(92)=12K
CALL GCHN(IDCH,IER)
CALL ERROR(IER,'PLTGEN-IDCH')
CALL OPENN(IDCH,'STDIR.MS',0,IER)
CALL ERROR(IER,"STATION DIRECTORY NOT FOUND")
NBYTE=30
CALL RDS(IDCH,JBUF,NBYTE,IER)
NREC=JBUF(1)
LREC=JBUF(2)
ISTAR=JBUF(3)
IDP=JBUF(4)
IDL=(JBUF(5)-JBUF(4))*2
IZM=JBUF(15)
ICMA=54K
ISC=73K
M=92
GO TO 78
20 NBYTES=M
CALL PACK(IBUF,NBYTES,JBUF)
CALL WRS(ICHN,JBUF,M,IER)
CALL ERROR(IER,'PLTGEN-WRITLINE')
21 NBYTES=96
CALL RDS(JCHN,JBUF,NBYTES,IER)
IF(IER.GE.9)GO TO 901
CALL ERROR(IER,'PLTGEN-READ')
IF(JBUF(1).EQ.101400K)GO TO 901
IF(JBUF(3).NE.1.OR.JBUF(3).GT.6)GO TO 21
J(3)=020040K
J(2)=JBUF(2)
J(1)=JBUF(1)
CALL BNSCH(IDCH,NREC,LREC,ISTAR,IDP,IDL,J,IAD,IC1,IC2,IC3,IC)
IF(IC.EQ.0)GO TO 21
GO TO (31,32,33),IC
31 IX=IC1(IXP)
JY=IC1(IXP+1)
IZOOM=IC1(IZM)
H=IC1(5)
GO TO 35
32 IX=IC2(IXP)
JY=IC2(IXP+1)
H=IC2(5)
IZOOM=IC2(IZM)
GO TO 35
33 IX=IC3(IXP)
JY=IC3(IXP+1)
H=IC3(5)
IZOOM=IC3(IZM)
35 IX=((IX-IOFF)*NF)/SF
JY=((JY-JOFF)*NF)/SF
TYPE IX,JY,IOFF,JOFF,NF,SF
IF(IZOOM.EQ.9)GO TO 21
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IF(IZOOM.GT.3)GO TO 21
IF(IX.LT.0.OR.IX.GT.2048)GO TO 21
IF(JY.LT.0.OR.JY.GT.1536)GO TO 21
IF(JBUF(3).EQ.9)GO TO 21
IF(JBUF(3).LE.4.AND.JBUF(3).NE.1)GO TO 21 ;ERROR CHECKS ON SAODATA
IF(JBUF(3).EQ.7)GO TO 21

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IWID(1)=ISHFT(IZOOM,14)+IX
IWID(2)=JY

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M=1
CALL INASC(IX,J)
DO 40 K=1,4
IBUF(M)=J(K)
40 M=M+1
IBUF(M)=ICMA
M=M+1
CALL INASC(JY,J)
DO 41 K=1,4
IBUF(M)=J(K)
41 M=M+1
IBUF(M)=ICMA
M=M+1
NBYTES=10
CALL UNPACK(JBUF(23),NBYTES,IC1)
CALL WXD(IC1,NWXTY,JBUF(21),JBUF(9))
IBUF(M)=IZOOM+48 ;PRIORITY
IBUF(M+1)=60K ;SIZE
IBUF(M+2)=60K ;ORIENTATION
IBUF(M+3)=60K ;WEATHER SPACE
IF(NWXTY.NE.-99)IBUF(M+3)=ISYN(NWXTY)

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IWID(3)=ISHFT(NWXTY,8)+(IBUF(M+3)-60K)
IF(JBUF(29).LE.35)CALL ISET(IWID(3),7); SNW FOR TSTMS
IWID(4)=JBUF(21)
DO 201 I=1,3
IWID(5)=ISHFT(JBUF(9),8)+JBUF(24-I*4)
IWID(6)=JBUF(23-I*4)
IF(JBUF(24-I*4).NE.40K)GO TO 42
201 CONTINUE
C NO CELING, FIND HEIGHT OF LOWEST CLOUD LAYER
DO 202 I=1,3
IWID(6)=JBUF(23-I*4)
IF(IWID(6).NE.0)GO TO 42
202 CONTINUE
42 NBYTES=12
CALL WRS(IWCH,IWID,NBYTES,IER)
CALL ERROR(IER,"PLTGEN-WX WRS")

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IBUF(M+4)=60K ;WIND
IBUF(M+5)=62K ;OB TYPE
IBUF(M+6)=ICMA
GO TO 200; *SKIP MIXING RATIO*
IF(JBUF(35).EQ.-99)GO TO 200
IF(JBUF(37).EQ.-99)GO TO 200
ALT=JBUF(35)/100.
TEMP=JBUF(36)+273.
TDPT=JBUF(37)+273.
PR=(ABS((ALT*33.8639)**.190284-.00008418204**H))**((1./190284)
E=6.11*(273./TDPT)**5.31*EXP(25.22*(1.-273./TDPT))
Q=.622*E/(PR-E)*1000.
JBUF(31)=Q
200 M=M+7
CALL INASC(JBUF(4),J)

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DO 45 K=1,4
  IBUF(M)=J(K)
45 M=M+1
  IBUF(M)=ICMA
  M=M+1
  NBYTES=4
  CALL UNPACK(JBUF(1),NBYTES,IBUF(M))
  M=M+4
  IBUF(M)=ICMA
  M=M+1
  IBUF(M)=115K; M FOR MISG
  IF(JBUF(9).EQ.'<0>C') IBUF(M)=60K
  IF(JBUF(9).EQ.'<0>X') IBUF(M)=71K
  IF(JBUF(9).EQ.'<0>O') IBUF(M)=70K
  IF(JBUF(9).EQ.'<0>B') IBUF(M)=66K
  IF(JBUF(9).EQ.'<0>S') IBUF(M)=63K
  IBUF(M+1)=ICMA
  M=M+2
  CALL INASC(JBUF(32),J) ;WIND DIR
  IF(J(1).EQ.32.AND.NWXTY.EQ.-99)GO TO 21
  IF(JBUF(32).GE.100)GO TO 46
  IF(J(1).EQ.32)GO TO 46
  J(3)=J(2)
  J(2)=J(1)
  J(1)=60K
  IF(JBUF(32).NE.0)GO TO 46
  J(3)=60K
  J(2)=60K
46 DO 47 K=1,3
  IBUF(M)=J(K)
47 M=M+1
  CALL INASC(JBUF(33),J) ;WIND SPEED
  IF(JBUF(33).GE.10)GO TO 48
  IF(J(1).EQ.32)GO TO 48
  J(2)=J(1)
  J(1)=60K
  IF(JBUF(33).EQ.0)J(2)=60K
48 DO 49 K=1,2
  IBUF(M)=J(K)
49 M=M+1
  IBUF(M)=ICMA
  M=M+1
  IF(JBUF(28).GE.10000)JBUF(28)=JBUF(28)-1000
  CALL INASC(JBUF(28),J) ;SLP=28 ALTIMETER=35
  DO 50 K=2,4
  IBUF(M)=J(K)
50 M=M+1
  IBUF(M)=ICMA
  M=M+1
  CALL INASC(JBUF(29),J) ;TEMP
  DO 51 K=1,3
  IBUF(M)=J(K)
51 M=M+1
  IBUF(M)=ICMA
  M=M+1
  CALL INASC(JBUF(30),J) ;DEW POINT
  DO 52 K=1,3
  IBUF(M)=J(K)
52 M=M+1
  IBUF(M)=ICMA

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M=M+1
IF (NWXTY.NE.100)GO TO 55
DO 53 K=1,5
IBUF(M)=IC1(K)
53 M=M+1
GO TO 60
55 CALL INASC(NWXTY,J)      ;WX TYPE      IBUF(M)=J(1)
IBUF(M)=J(1)
IBUF(M+1)=J(2)
M=M+2
60 IBUF(M)=ICMA
M=M+1
IBUF(M)=ICMA
M=M+1
CALL INASC(JBUF(42),J)
IBUF(M)=J(1)
IBUF(M+1)=J(2)
M=M+2
IBUF(M)=ICMA
M=M+1
CALL INASC(JBUF(41),J)
IBUF(M)=J(1)
IBUF(M+1)=ICMA
M=M+2
IBUF(M)=JBUF(44)
IBUF(M+1)=JBUF(45)
IBUF(M+2)=JBUF(46)
M=M+3
IBUF(M)=ICMA
M=M+1
CALL INASC(JBUF(43),J)
IF (JBUF(43).GT.99)GO TO 65
IF (JBUF(43).EQ.-99)GO TO 70
IF (JBUF(43).GE.10)GO TO 64
IBUF(M)=56K
IBUF(M+1)=60K
IBUF(M+2)=J(1)
M=M+3
GO TO 70
64 IBUF(M)=56K
IBUF(M+1)=J(1)
IBUF(M+2)=J(2)
M=M+3
GO TO 70
65 IBUF(M)=J(1)
IBUF(M+1)=56K
IBUF(M+2)=J(2)
IBUF(M+3)=J(3)
M=M+4
70 GO TO 77
DO 75 K=0,6
75 IBUF(M+K)=ICMA
M=M+7
CALL INASC(JBUF(31),J)
DO 76 K=1,3
IBUF(M)=J(K)
76 M=M+1
77 IBUF(M)=ISC
IBUF(M+1)=15K
IBUF(M+2)=12K

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      M=M+2
78  L=1
79  DO 80 K=L,M
      IF (IBUF(K).EQ.32)GO TO 81
80  CONTINUE
      GO TO 20
81  M1=M-1
      DO 82 J1=K,M1
82  IBUF(J1)=IBUF(J1+1)
      M=M-1
      L=K
      GO TO 79
900  IER=2
      CALL FORKE('PLTGEN','MBK NOT FOUND',IER)
      CALL ERROR(IER,'MBK NOT FOUND')
      STOP
901  IBUF(1)='<0>E'
      IBUF(2)='<0>N'
      IBUF(3)='<0>D'
      IBUF(4)=15K
      IBUF(5)=12K
      NBYTES=10
      CALL PACK(IBUF,NBYTES,JBUF)
      NBYTES=5
      CALL WRS(ICHN,JBUF,NBYTES,IER)
      IBUF(1)=101400K
      NBYTES=2
      CALL WRS(ICHN,IBUF,NBYTES,IER)
      CALL KLOSE(JCHN,IER)
      CALL KLOSE(ICHN,IER)
      CALL KLOSE(IDCH,IER)
      CALL KLOSE(IWCH,IER)
      DO 300 K=1,7
300  ID1(K)=ID(K)
      ID1(6)=0
      ID1(7)=0
C    CALL FORKO('PLTGEN',ID1,IER)
      STOP
      END

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C      PROGRAM WXPLOT
C
C      PLOT WEATHER DEPICTION MODEL ON REGIONAL PLOT BACKGROUND.
C      INPUT IS FROM FILE WXDATA.NN, WHICH IS OUTPUT FROM PROGRAM
C      PLTGENW WITH BACKGROUND NN SPECIFIED IN SAOXXX. OUTPUT IS
C      ROUTED TO THE AFOS DATA BASE, PRODUCT NMCGPHP(NN+50).
C
C      RLDR WXPLOT WSYM UTIL.LB TOP.LB FORT.LB
C
C      PARAMETER NS=3000
C      COMMON/WXC/JWD(5),JNMC(5),IOF(10)
C      DIMENSION IBUF(20),JBUF(20),IFILE(20),ITITL(16),IAR(NS),JVS(10)
C      DATA JWD/"WXDATA,"/JNMC/"NMCGPHP"/IOF/"DP0F:WXPLOT.SC",0/
C      GET INPUT PARAMETERS FROM SAOXXX
C      CALL GCHN(ICH,IER)
C      CALL OPENR(ICH,"SAOXXX",0,IER)
C      CALL ERROR(IER,"WXPLOT-SAOXXX NOT FOUND")
C      NB=16
C      CALL RDS(ICH,IBUF,NB,IER)
C      CALL ERROR(IER,"WXPLOT-SAOXXX ERROR")
C      MBK=IBUF(6)
C      CALL KLOSE(ICH,IER)
C      CREATE INPUT FILENAME
C      CALL UNPACK(JWD,7,IFILE)
C      IFILE(8)=MBK/10+60K
C      IFILE(9)=MOD(MBK,10)+60K
C      IFILE(10)=0
C      CALL PACK(IFILE,10,IFILE)
C      CALL GCHN(ICH,IER)
C      CALL OPENR(ICH,IFILE,0,IER)
C      CALL ERROR(IER,"WXPLOT-NO INPUT FILE")
C      NB=8
C      CALL RDS(ICH,JBUF,NB,IER); DATE/TIME GROUP
C      CALL ERROR(IER,"WXPLOT-NO INPUT DATA")
C      REFORMAT DTG
C      ITEMP=JBUF(4)
C      DO 203 I=1,4
C      ITITL(5-I)=MOD(ITEMP,10)+60K
C      ITEMP=ITEMP/10
C      DO 201 I=1,3
C      ITITL(I*3+5)=JBUF(I)/10+60K
C      ITITL(I*3+6)=MOD(JBUF(I),10)+60K
C      ITITL(5)=132K; Z
C      ITITL(6)=40K
C      ITITL(7)=40K
C      ITITL(10)=57K; /
C      ITITL(13)=57K
C      ITITL(16)=0
C      CALL PACK(ITITL,16,ITITL)
C      C PRODUCT KEY
C      CALL UNPACK(JNMC,7,IFILE)
C      MBK=MBK+50
C      IFILE(8)=MBK/10+60K
C      IFILE(9)=MOD(MBK,10)+60K
C      IFILE(10)=0

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CALL PACK(IFILE,10,IFILE)
CALL GPREP(IAR,IFILE,NW,NS,IER)
CALL GTEXT(1,IAR,3164,30,ITITL,NW,NS,1,IER)
C START READ LOOP
10 NB=12
CALL RDS(ICH,IBUF,NB,IER)
IF(IER.NE.1)GO TO 90; END OF DATA
IF(IBUF(4).EQ.-99)GO TO 10; SKIP IF NO VSBY
C
C REFORMAT VISIBILITY
C
IVSB=IBUF(4)
NVSB=0
IF(IVSB.GE.7)GO TO 40
JVSB(1)=IVSB+60K
NVSB=1
IF(IVSB.GE.0)GO TO 40
VSB=-IVSB/1000.
MILES=VSB
FRAC=VSB-MILES
IN=FRAC*16.+1/32.; NUMERATOR
DO 202 I=1,4
ID=2**((5-I); DENOMINATOR
IF(MOD(IN,2).NE.0)GO TO 20
IN=IN/2
202 CONTINUE
IN=0
20 N=1
IF(MILES.EQ.0)GO TO 22
JVSB(N)=MILES+60K
IF(IN.EQ.0)GO TO 40
N=N+1
JVSB(N)=53K; +
N=N+1
22 JVSB(N)=IN/10+60K
IF(JVSB(N).NE.60K)N=N+1
JVSB(N)=MOD(IN,10)+60K
N=N+1
JVSB(N)=57K; /
N=N+1
JVSB(N)=ID/10+60K
IF(JVSB(N).NE.60K)N=N+1
JVSB(N)=MOD(ID,10)+60K
NVSB=N
C
C COMPUTE SKY COVER
C
40 ITEMP=ISHFT(IBUF(5),-8)
ISKY=5; MISG
IF(ITEMP.EQ.103K)ISKY=16K; C
IF(ITEMP.EQ.123K)ISKY=23K; S
IF(ITEMP.EQ.102K)ISKY=1; B
IF(ITEMP.EQ.117K)ISKY=3; O
IF(ITEMP.EQ.130K)ISKY=4; X
C
C COMPUTE HEIGHT OF CEILING
C
ITEMP=IAND(IBUF(5),377K)
ICIG=-1; UNLIMITED
IF(ITEMP.NE.40K)ICIG=IBUF(6); HUNDREDS

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C
C      DETERMINE FLYING CONDITIONS
      IFLY=111K; I
      IF(ICIG.GE.0.AND.ICIG.LT.10.OR.IVSB.LT.3)GO TO 50
      IFLY=115K; M
      IF(ICIG.GE.0.AND.ICIG.LE.30.OR.IVSB.LE.5)GO TO 50
      IFLY=126K; V
50    IF(ISKY.EQ.5)IFLY=77K; ? FOR MISSING
C
C
C      COMPUTE CLOUD HEIGHT
      IHGT=-99; MISSING
      IF(ISKY.EQ.23K)IHGT=IBUF(6); LOWEST LAYER FOR SCT
      IF(ICIG.GE.0)IHGT=IBUF(6); CIG LAYER IF CEILING
C
C
C      PREPARE PLOTTING ROUTINE
      JWX=IAND(IBUF(3),177K); WX SPACE
      IF(JWX.GT.4)JWX=0
      IX=IAND(IBUF(1),37777K)*2
      JY=IBUF(2)*2
      IZT=ISHFT(IBUF(1),-14)+1
C
C
C      PLOT VISIBILITY ABOVE MODEL
      IF(NVSB.EQ.0)GO TO 120
      IF(NVSB.LE.1.AND.JWX.NE.2.AND.JWX.NE.4)GO TO 120
      ID=-(7*NVSB+2*(NVSB-1))/2
      JD=8
      JVSB(NVSB+1)=0
      CALL PACK(JVSB,NVSB+1,JVSB)
      CALL GOFST(1,IAR,IX,JY,ID,JD,JVSB,NW,NS-20,IZT,IER)
C
C
C      PLOT SKY, FLYING CONDITIONS, AND HEIGHT OF CLOUDS
120  N=1
      JBUF(N)=22K; SET S.C. FLAG
      JBUF(N+1)=ISKY
      JBUF(N+2)=21K; RESET S.C. FLAG
      N=N+3
      IF(IFLY.EQ.126K)GO TO 122; V
      JBUF(N)=IFLY
      N=N+1
122  IF(IHGT.LT.0)GO TO 128
      JBUF(N)=15K; NEW LINE
      N=N+1
      I=1
      CALL UBNDEC(IHGT,ITITL,I)
      IF(IHGT.LT.100)GO TO 124
      IF(JWX.GT.2)GO TO 123
      JBUF(N)=10K; BKSP
      N=N+1
123  JBUF(N)=ITITL(4)
      N=N+1
124  IF(IHGT.LT.10)GO TO 126
      JBUF(N)=ITITL(5)
      N=N+1
126  JBUF(N)=ITITL(6)
      N=N+1

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128 JBUF(N)=0
   CALL PACK(JBUF,N,JBUF)
   CALL GOFST(1,IAR,IX,JY,-5,-5,JBUF,NW,NS-20,IZT,IER)

C
C   PLOT VISIBILITY AND WEATHER
C

   IF(NVSB.GT.1.OR.JWX.EQ.2.OR.JWX.EQ.4) NVSB=0; VSB>6 OR ALREADY PLOTTED
   IF(NVSB.EQ.0.AND.JWX.EQ.0) GO TO 10; PLOTTING COMPLETE
   ID=-29
   IF(IAND(JWX,1).EQ.1) ID=-18; 1 OR 3
   IF(JWX.EQ.0) ID=-14
   JD=-5
   N=1
   IF(NVSB.EQ.0) GO TO 132
   IF(JWX.EQ.0) GO TO 136
   JBUF(N)=10K; BKSP
   N=N+1
136 JBUF(N)=JVSB(1)
   N=N+1
132 IFLAG=.FALSE.; FOR MDT OR HVY PCPN
   IBLK=1
   IF(JWX.EQ.0.OR.IBUF(3).LT.0) GO TO 134
   NWX=ISHFT(IBUF(3),-8); WX CODE
   IF(NWX.LT.50.OR.NWX.GT.79) GO TO 140
   NWX=MOD(NWX,10)
   IF(NWX.NE.3.AND.NWX.NE.5) GO TO 140
   IFLAG=.TRUE.
   IBUF(3)=IAND(IBUF(3),177600K)+2
   JD=-11
   GO TO 140
142 N=1
   IBUF(3)=IAND(IBUF(3),177400K)+1
   IF(NWX.EQ.5) IBUF(3)=IBUF(3)+2
   ID=-24
   JD=-5
   IFLAG=.FALSE.
   IBLK=0
140 CALL WSYM(IBUF(3),JBUF,N)
134 JBUF(N)=0
   CALL PACK(JBUF,N,JBUF)
   CALL GOFST(IBLK,IAR,IX,JY,ID,JD,JBUF,NW,NS-20,IZT,IER)
   IF(IFLAG) GO TO 142
   GO TO 10; FETCH NEXT REPORT

C
C   BUTTONUP
C

90 CALL KLOSE(ICH,IER)
   CALL GVEC(IAR,0,0,4,4,NW,NS,4,IER)
   CALL GFMT(IOF,IAR,NW,NS,IER)
   CALL ERROR(IER,"WXPLOT-OUTPUT ROUTINE")
   CALL FSTOR(IOF,0,IER)
   CALL FORKP("WXPLOT",IFILE,IER)
   IF(IER.EQ.1) GO TO 92
   CALL SPCHR("JOB COMPLETE. OUTPUT IN FILE <0>",IER)
   CALL UNPACK(IOF,20,JBUF)
   CALL SPCHR(JBUF,IER)
   CALL SPCHR(15K,IER)
   CALL TYPED(NW)
   CALL SPCHR(" WORDS USED<15>",IER)
92 CALL RESET
   call EXIT
   END

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      SUBROUTINE WSYM(IWX,JWRD,L)
C     BORROWED FROM MODELUGF (SUBROUTINE CYMBL)
      DIMENSION JWRD(1)
      JW=IAND(IWX,177K)
      IW=ISHFT(IWX,-8)
      I93=0
      I95=0
      IF(ITEST(IWX,7)) I93=1
      IF(ITEST(IWX,7)) I95=1
      JWRD(L)=22K
      L=L+1
      LFLAG=1
      IW0=IW/10+1
      IW1=IW-IW/10*10+1
      IF (IW.GE.30) GOTO 19
      JWRD(L)=IW+30K
      IF (IW.LT.20) GOTO 500
      JWRD(L+1)=61K
      IF (IW.LT.25) GOTO 500
      IF (IW.EQ.28) GOTO 145
      IF (IW.EQ.29) GOTO 191
      JWRD(L)=IW+24K
      JWRD(L+1)=62K
      IF (IW.EQ.27) JWRD(L)=64K
      GOTO 500
19    JWRD(L+1)=71K
      GOTO (500,500,500,30,40,50,60,70,80,90), IW0
30    GOTO (131,131,135,134,134,135,136,136,136,136), IW1
131   JWRD(L)=67K
      GOTO 500
134   JWRD(L)=72K
      GOTO 500
135   JWRD(L+1)=IW+27K
35    JWRD(L)=70K
      GOTO 500
136   JWRD(L)=IW+27K
      GOTO 500
40    GOTO (140,141,144,145,144,145,146,147,148,148), IW1
140   JWRD(L)=110K
      JWRD(L+1)=123K
      GOTO 500
141   JWRD(L)=77K
      GOTO 500
144   JWRD(L)=100K
      GOTO 500
145   JWRD(L)=65K
      GOTO 500
146   JWRD(L+1)=100K
      GOTO 35
147   JWRD(L+1)=65K
      GOTO 35
148   JWRD(L)=IW+21K
      GOTO 500
50    GOTO (150,151,152,151,150,151,156,156,152,150), IW1
151   JWRD(L+1)=IW0+46K

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150 JWRD(L)=IW0+46K
    GOTO 500
152 JWRD(L)=IW+17K
    GOTO 500
156 JWRD(L)=IW+14K
    GOTO 500
60  GOTO (150,151,162,151,150,151,166,166,168,169),IW1
162 JWRD(L)=117K
    GOTO 500
166 JWRD(L)=IW+4
    GOTO 500
168 JWRD(L)=57K
    GOTO 500
169 JWRD(L)=56K
    GOTO 500
70  GOTO (150,151,148,151,150,151,176,176,176,176),IW1
176 JWRD(L)=IW-2
    GOTO 500
80  GOTO (180,180,162,168,168,169,169,187,187,190),IW1
180 JWRD(L)=55K
    GOTO 500
187 JWRD(L)=64K
    GOTO 500
90  GOTO (190,192,192,193,194,195,187,195,198,187),IW1
190 JWRD(L)=120K
    GOTO 500
194 I93=I93+2
193 JWRD(L+1)=124K+I93
191 JWRD(L)=51K
    GOTO 500
192 JWRD(L+1)=IW-12K
    GOTO 191
195 JWRD(L)=55K+I95
    GOTO 500
198 JWRD(L)=67K
500 L=L+1
    IF (JW/2*2.EQ.JW) L=L+1
    IF (JW.LE.2) RETURN
    JWRD(L)=13
    JWRD(L+1)=66K
    GOTO (800,800,620,800,800,800,650,660,670,680,690),IW0
620 JWRD(L+2)=63K
    L=L+3
    GOTO 800
650 IF (IW.EQ.54) JWRD(L+1)=103K
    IF (IW.EQ.59) JWRD(L+1)=111K
660 IF (IW.EQ.69) JWRD(L+1)=57K
670 IF (IW.EQ.64 .OR. IW.EQ.74) JWRD(L+1)=IW+17K
    IF (IW1.EQ.6) JWRD(L+1)=IW0+46K
    GOTO 648
680 GOTO (648,681,648,648,681,648,681,648,681,648),IW1
681 JWRD(L+1)=116K
    GOTO 648
690 JWRD(L+1)=51K
    GOTO (681,800,800,800,800,800,648,648,697,648,697),IW1
697 JWRD(L+1)=130K
648 L=L+2
800 RETURN
    END

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