

# N43RF ERROR SUMMARY

## HURRICANE 2009 HURRICANE BILL

Flight ID: 090819I2

<u>Sensor or system</u>	<u>Number or Name</u>
INE (for wind derivation)	INE1
Accelerometer	ACC1
Temperature Probe	TT1
Dew Point Probe	TDM2X (EDGETECH)
Static Pressure	PSF
Dynamic Pressure	PQF1
Vert. Wind	ALTI1X
Constants File	n43_hur09v2.adc
Project Directory	/acdata/2009/hur09/P3

Notes:

There were three instances after takeoff of erroneous or missing inertial data being skipped in the creation of the netCDF file resulting in data gaps:

01:07:21 - 01:07:26Z  
01:53:41Z  
02:29:41Z

The two second-long gaps did not cause any subsequent disruption to the data. However, for the six second gap, there was one second of erroneous data that followed resulting in the need for the following data to be patched using the substitution method with the following offsets: hdgi1 (0.6 offset), gsui1 (-1.15), alti1 (-27 using the altnv1), lati1 and loni1 were both offset by 0.00015 using latnv1 and lonnv1 respectively.

Dewpoint sensor #2...TDM2 (EdgeTech) had several occurrences where its' value was greater than ambient temperature thus producing humidity values above 100%. For most of these occurrences TDM2 output was not modified. The highest value for RH left in the RXC file (not corrected) was 133% at 00:26:17Z (there was a gradual rise of several seconds to this value so no obviously erroneous "spike" was available to be corrected). TDM2 values were modified to remove what would have been more extreme RH spikes. A raw dew point spike of 40.03C at 00:27:04Z was patched to 14.60C manually using statistical methods with a weighting factor of 0.35. Similar patching was performed during the interval from 00:26:19Z to 00:28:51Z to remove several spikes, replacing them with a curve with a beginning value of 14.53C to an ending value of 11.92C.

All other flight level instruments worked optimally during the flight. A 140 meter spike in absolute altitude at 23:42:36Z was deemed to be valid when correlated with a sudden rise in Pressure Altitude, along with a sharp peak in vertical acceleration associated with penetration of a strong outlying feeder band approximately 100 NM northeast of the center.

The RINU1550 GPS altitude output was used for extrapolating sea level pressure from flight altitude. An eye center dropsonde was conducted at 02:01:01Z. The extrapolated sea level pressure from flight altitude, 700 mb or 10,000 feet, at the time of this release was 946.2 mb with a splash sonde pressure of 949 mb (with 13 knots of wind at the surface).

Twenty three dropsondes (23) were deployed during the mission, all but one were good (the 2146Z inbound drop failed to acquire GPS winds). No AXBT were deployed.

**SPECIAL NOTE!!!** The variable names dpj\_wgs, dpj\_was and dpj\_wz in the netCDF file represent vertical ground, vertical air and vertical wind speeds, respectively, computed using Dave Jorgensen's vertical wind algorithm. It is recommended that these values be used for vertical wind analysis.

	<b>Takeoff</b>	<b>Landing</b>
Aircraft Static Pressure	1955Z	0357Z
Corrected Tower Pressure	1002.1mb	1004.9mb
	1001.8mb	1004.7mb

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AOCWF

Flt ID:	090819IB	From:	TBPB	To:	TBPB
Flt No:	09-057	Blk In:	0402Z	ATA:	0357
ETD:	2000Z	Blk Out:	1943Z	ATD:	1958Z
ETE:	8+00	Blk Time:	(8.3)	Flt Time:	(8.0)
Sponsor Org:	HRD	Program:	PHX	Purpose:	TDR / Fixes / schools HURRICANE BILL

## AOC Personnel

AC:	CHOY	Sys Eng:	Bosko
CP:	NELSON / MARTIN	Data Sys:	Naehan
Nav:	Kidder / Gallagher	Radar:	
FE:	Bast / Klippen	GPS/BT:	San Souci
FD:	Henning / Parrish	Cld Phys:	
Avionics:			

## Participating Scientists / Visitors / AOC

Name (Last, First)	Activity on Aircraft	Affiliation
Cione, Joe	LPS	HRD
Gamache, John	Radar	HRD
Annane, Bashir	Editsonde	HRD
Dvorstky, Jason	IWRAP	UMASS

E 105 PT 2031N 5645W

eye 2032N 5836W

LAND 101mb TBPB (1004.75mb)

1011.4 System SLP (1004.9 Ps)

Proposed / Actual Mission Remarks (Recco, Fixes, Storm, PENET, NHOP #)

1008 mb Takeoff  
(29.77) (1001.8 STA)  
1008.2 mb (002.1 Ps)1P 1835.5  
5620.5

300/16

00Z 19.9N 58.3W

1141Z 1813N

5529W

952 129 NE

SEMR105

113 kts 120 meters

Recco 2052Z

6 1950 1+50

5738

2150Z

2110  
58162018  
5814Byronall  
0027

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AOCWE2

Flt ID:	090819I2	Time Off:	1955Z	Time On:	0357Z
		A/C (Take Off)	Wx Station (Take Off)	A/C (Land)	Wx Station (Land)
Pressure	1002.1 mb	1001.8	1004.9	1004.7	
	Number		Data Disposition / Date / Quality		
Flt Lvl Tapes	2				
Radar Tapes	1				
Cloud Physics Tapes					
Video Tapes					
AXBT	0				
AXCP					
AXCTD					
Dropsondes	23	1 failed to get GPS winds (2146Z)			

## Video

	Forward	Left Side	Right Side	Down	Remarks
Time On					
Time Off					
Rate					

## Remarks

OBS 1 4, 8 10, 13 14 19 21 23 28 26  
 HD 16, 13, 19, 23, 35 39

(AT2.8.1001)  
 (291.5001)

## N43RF AVAPS DROP LOG

## Project : Hurricane '09

Mission : BILL

Flight ID : 0908191B

Take Off: 2000

Landing : \_\_\_\_\_

Flt Dir : PORRISH / HENNING Launcher S/N: \_\_\_\_\_

ENNIES

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Drop #	Sonde Serial #	Rcvr #	Press Offset	Launch Time	Winds Time	Operator	Charge \$\$ To	Comments	Good ?
1	084 919 119	4	.4	2136		D88		IP	✓
2	084 919 050	3	.4	2146				NO GATE	✗
3	091 849 040	4	.4	2148				IN BOUND	✓
4	083 219 023	2	.6	2156				INNER EDGE	✓
5	083 259 188	3	.2	2159				CENTER DROP	✓
6	084 439 009	4	.6	2204				OUTBOUND	✓
7	084 919 144	2	.4	2212				OUT MIDDLE	✓
8	084 419 074	2	0	2224				NW POINT	✓
9	084 429 033	2	0	2253				SW CORNER	✓
10	083 259 023	2	-.2	2305				SW INBOUND	✓
11	084 419 086	4	0	2316				SW INNER EDGE	✓
12	084 919 135	3	-.3	2322				NE EYEWALL	✓
13	084 919 220	2	.5	2331				NE OUT	✓
14	084 919 117	1	.5	2343				NE CORNER	✓
15	084 919 211	2	.6	0002				N POINT	✓
16	084 919 223	2	-.3	0016				N 52.5° PT.	✓
17	084 919 133	3	.5	0027				N INNER EDGE	✓
18	084 919 103	1	.7	0047				S MIDDLE	✓
19	084 439 045	2	.6	0101				S POINT	✓
20	084 919 094	5	0	0134				E POINT	✓
21	084 419 137	2	-.3	0157				E EYEWALL	✓
22	084 419 048	3	0	0201				CENTER	✓
23	083 259 025	2	0	0223				W POINT	✓

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**POSITION REPORT**

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**1. POSITION**

**2. TIME**

**3. ALTITUDE**

**4. NEXT POSITION**

**5. ETA**

**6. NEXT POSITION**

EMERGENCY MESSAGE					
TRANSMIT THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE TO ANY AGENCY ON THE AIR-GROUND FREQUENCY IN USE. IF UNABLE TO ESTABLISH COMMS, ATTEMPT CONTACT ON ANY OF THE FOLLOWING EMERGENCY FREQUENCIES:					
UHF/VOICE	VHF/VOICE	MF/VOICE	HF/CW	MF/CW	
243.0	121.5	2182 KHZ	8364 KHZ	500 KHZ	
 MAYDAY, MAYDAY, MAYDAY					
THIS IS NOAA <u>43</u> , NOAA <u>41</u> , NOAA <u>43</u>					
- POSITION _____			N / S _____ E / W AT _____ Z		
- HEADING _____ TRUE/MAG					
- AT _____ KTS TRUE/INDICATED					
- FLIGHT LEVEL OR ALTITUDE _____					
- WE ARE A P-3 AIRCRAFT WITH <u>11</u> SOULS ON BOARD					
- NATURE OF EMERGENCY					
- ASSISTANCE DESIRED					
- PILOT INTENTIONS					
- WE HAVE _____			ENDURANCE REMAINING _____		

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FIX TYPES  
(G) - GPS (I) - INS (R) - RADIO (V) - VISUAL (C) - CELESTIAL (D) - DR

20-30 058-18  
26-54 58.31

TIME	FIX TYPE	POSITION	INS 1 POSITION	K ERR	INS 2 POSITION	K ERR	MH	VAR +E=>	TH	DR +R=>	TRK	GS	WD	WS	ALT	TAS	NEXT PT	DIST	TIME	ETA	REMARKS
2213	C	NY RADIO POSIT	20 01 059 08	2 RFO																	
2236	A	N 20 01 059 08	20 01 059 09	-1	20 01 059 08	+2	181	16W	166	6R	172	306	019	65	100	349	SW	74	2055		
0310	C	POSIT REPORT	✓ 1736 ~ 058 28W																		
0317	R	20 05 058 02	20 05 058 02																		
2331	A	20 46 57 20	20 47 57 20	-3	20 44 57 19	+2	086	16W	070	25L	045	234	140	100	FL100	252	NE	40	2344		
0010	C	Posit Report	18-28 058-15	010	110	058-15	18	00													
0056	C	20-19.676 058-19.989																			
0021	A	18-25 058-19.5	18-27 058-19.2	-1.9	18-26 058-19.4	+3.6	209	16W	193	12L	181	236	257	45	10	251	S	PS	27 00	28	
0110	C	Posit Report	18-25 057-32	090	110	058-32	0205														
0120	A	20-10 056-46.5	20-17 056-46.5	-2.7	20-10 056-47.2	+4.2	013	5U	358	1L	352	325	158	80	10	223	5	6	+02	013	
0201	C	20-26 053-40.897	053-40.897																		
0210	C	Posit Report	20-25 059-25	090	10	060-30															
0230	A	20-00.9 060-29.2	20-01.2 060-29.0	-3.3	19-55.5 060-30.8	+5.4	189	15W	174	2L	172	207	344	91	170	262	IG	410	428	0358	
0322	A	14-53.4 059-45.8	14-52.8 059-45.8	-4.1	14-49.4 059-45.5	+4.3	168	14S	174	2L	172	371	153	4	170	319	IG	93	+00	0352	
0355		CIR TO LAND																		59.9 346/4 018	
0357	LAND	15-01 059-28.9	15-01 059-27.0	-5.2	12-24 059-30.8	+6.9															
0401	DR				020	15.54	192	17.11													

2025 6030 1511 → 190 2025 6020

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18 123.7