Payload 3 Daily Flight Report

Date: 2024-06-10
Flight Campaign ID: P3C1
Airport, FBO ID, City: Topeka Regional Airport (KFOE) - Topeka, KS
Aircraft: N821AR

Domain: 06 (Prairie Peninsula)
Sites Flown: MCDI (McDiffett Creek)
Days left in Domain: 8

Report Author: Mitch
Lidar Operators: Mitch
Flight Hours: 00:24
Spectrometer Operators: Elissa
Hours until maintenance: 0.00
Pilots: Jacob, Justin
GPS Instruments: 07 - FBO_KFOE

Summary
The crew initially anticipated a favorable window for a green collect over MCDI. However after takeoff, we discovered that a high cirrus layer, barely visible to the southwest on satellite imagery, was far more extensive than expected. Realizing that a green collect was no longer feasible, we decided to call off collections and return to Topeka.

Concerns
The crew experienced another voltage drop from the aircraft survey power as the pilots took the plane out of feather. This issue, which also occurred in D08, has been reported to TOIL mechanics who are currently investigating.

Comments
Mid-season Lesson’s Learned, scheduled as a down day for Wednesday, has now been postponed to a later date in order to allow both crews to better take advantage of forecasted clear weather.

Cumulative Domain Coverage

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| D06|KONZ_KONA (Konza Prairie Biological Station and Relocatable Agricultural Site) | Flown: 100% (35/35)  
Green: 100% (35/35)  
Yellow: 0% (0/35)  
Red: 0% (0/35)  |
| D06|MCDI (McDiffett Creek) | Flown: 0% (0/19)  
Green: 0% (0/19)  
Yellow: 0% (0/19)  
Red: 0% (0/19)  |
| D06|UKFS (University of Kansas Field Station) | Flown: 100% (25/25)  |
Green: 100% (25/25)
Yellow: 0% (0/25)
Red: 0% (0/25)

**Pictures:** The high cirrus layer mentioned previously, preventing a green collect for occurring.

![Weather Forecast]

**Weather Forecast**
Manhattan, KS (MCDI)

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source: wunderground.com

**Flight Collection Plan for 11 June 2024**
Flyority 1
Collection Area: McDiffett Creek (MCDI)
Flight Plan Name: D06_MCDI_C1_P2_v3_Q780
On-station Time: 1450 UTC / 0950 L

**Flight Crew:** Elissa (Lidar), Mitch (NIS)