Flight Scientist Report Saturday 02/26/2022 ACTIVATE RF128

Flight Type: Statistical Survey Flight (Refueling Day at Providence, RI)

Flight Route: KLFI ATLIC ZIBUT LACKS YAHOO SKOWL KPVD

Special Notes: First of two flights with refueling at Providence, RI

## King Air

Pilot report (Wusk):

First flight of a planned two flight day, coincident flights with the HU25. Planned refuleing in New England. Flight route flown was KLFI ATLIC ZIBUT LACKS YAHOO SKOWL KPVD. UC12 filed for FL200 due to know high cloud conditions. Known minimum data for remote sensing due to high cloud conditions along route. Clear above for the last 1/3-1/4 of the route. Crew was Sandeen, Wusk, and Shingler.

Flight scientist report (Shingler):

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Mid level cirrus along track at most all levels. Low level deck between 4-6kft. RSP shuttered when deep in the cirrus around 1430. Broke out of the dense cirrus around LACKS.

Low level deck tops descended to around 2kft near Nantucket.

4 Sondes dropped ZIBUT 1/2 ZIBUT/LACKS LACKS COAST

## **Falcon**

Pilot report (Baxley):

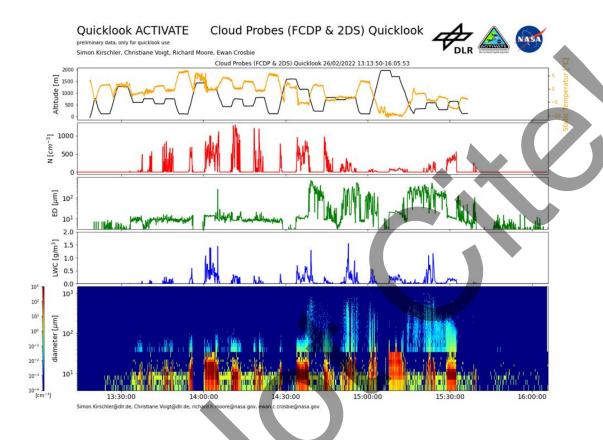
HU-25 coordinated flight with UC-12; Thorson/Elder, Crosbie/Winstead KLFI ATLIC ZIBUT LACKS YAHOO SKOWL KPVD, with refueling in KPVD. Weather as expected, flight flown as briefed, no issues noted.

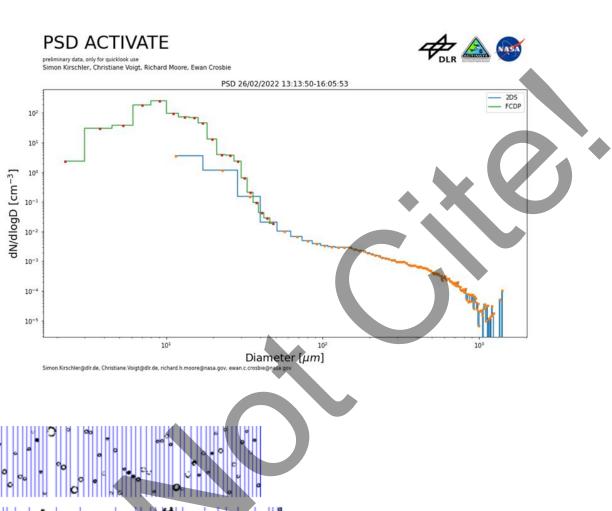
## Flight scientist report (Crosbie):

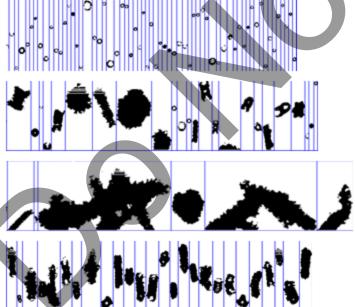
Stat survey remote base PVD. Extensive low cloud under a dense high cloud deck for most of the flight. Initially the clouds were broken fair wx Cu that thickened and joined up forming a stratiform deck near ZIBUT. There was significant variability in cloud top height and cloud bases were not uniform. A further thickening of the cloud was observed to the NE and near LACKS some mixed phase precip was observed.

The clouds took on a more broken structure with clusters of thicker Cu with precip surrounded by more clear regions. On the into wind leg inbound to the coast the clouds returned to the more uniform structure and there was some evidence of supercooled drizzle. The cloud edge was near Nantucket Island.

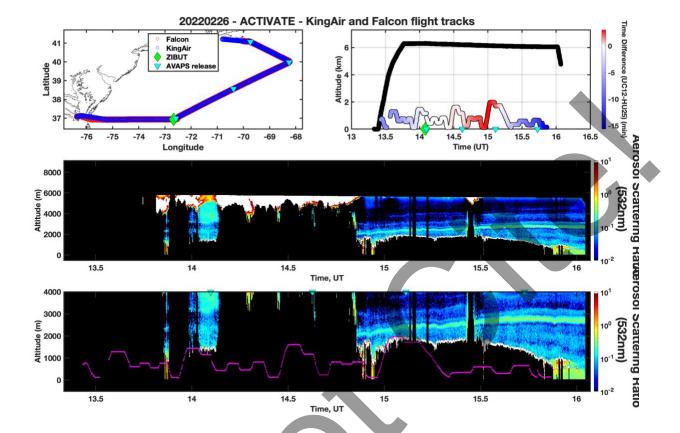




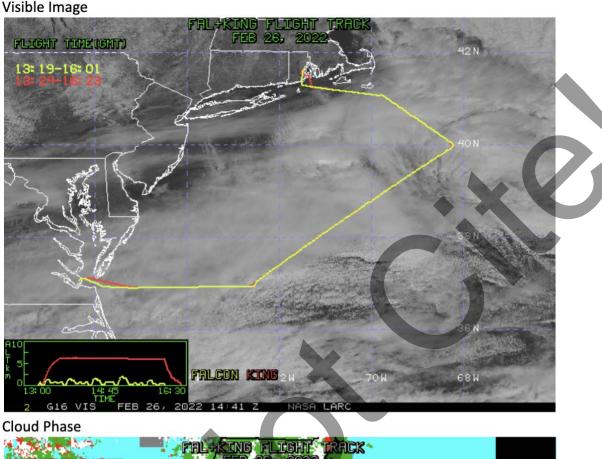


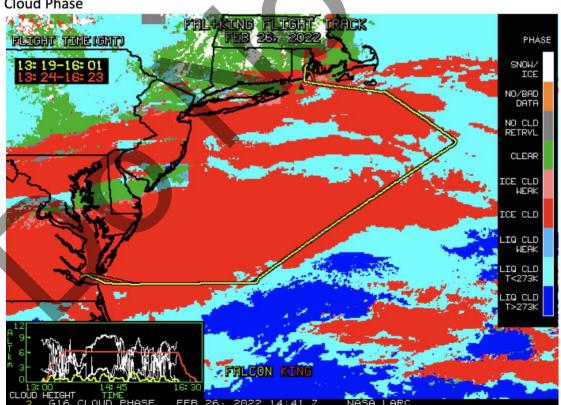


Mixed phase clouds with only ice Precip.



NASA-LaRC Clouds Group GOES-16 Quicklook Images for Flight 128, 14:41 UTC Feb 26, 2022 Visible Image





Cloud Droplet Number Concentration (cm-3)

