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In ARINC 573-(), the changes and new material introduced by the Supplement have been incorporated directly into the applicable specification section, commentary and attachments which are reproduced on "White Pages". We believe the reader will find this new procedure an advantage, in that he will have a single bound document fully updated with complete specification material, commentary and attachments, all reproduced as new "White Pages", to reflect current status as of the latest issue date of printing.

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The Supplement to ARINC 573 which has been fully integrated into the "White Pages" as described above is reproduced in the <u>back</u> of this ARINC Characteristic. This location serves as a subtle reminder of the different function which a Supplement serves when located in the <u>back</u> of the document. In this case, the Supplement is needed only for a record of what the change consisted of, since the "White Pages" of the "new" document are complete in themselves.

With the revision of this Characteristic as described above, the document identification number now has a "dash number" added which corresponds to the number of the last Supplement integrated into this document.

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