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DATE: December 19, 2008
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TO: Governor Jim Doyle

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SUBJECT: SITUATION REPORT ON WINTER WEATHER #2

OVERVIEW – A winter storm warning remains in effect for much of Wisconsin. As of 3 a.m., several locations are reporting heavy snowfall. Rock County has received close to 4 inches. Other locations have 2-3 inches of snow and the snow continues to fall. The National Weather Service is anticipating the heaviest amounts of snow will be in extreme southern Wisconsin with up to 13 inches of snow to fall during this storm. The Madison to Milwaukee areas are expected to receive 8-10 inches with lesser amounts in the northern portion of the state. The snow will continue to be heavy this morning and will begin to drop off around noon in western Wisconsin and should be finished later this afternoon in eastern Wisconsin.

Snow plows are out however, roads across the state remained snow packed and slick. In addition, in some areas visibility is limited. There have been reports of a few slide offs. There have been no reports of any major accidents.

An Air Wisconsin plane with three people on board slid off the runway at General Mitchell Field. No reports of injuries. There was also no reported fuel spill. Crews are working on the plane and the airport is closed.

The State of Wisconsin Emergency Operations Center activated at 6:00 p.m. Thursday evening and will remain activated through the duration of the storm. Agencies in the EOC are Wisconsin Emergency Management, Wisconsin State Patrol, Wisconsin Department of Transportation (DOT), and Wisconsin National Guard.

The DOT 511 Traveler Information System is running. 511 is a one-stop source for timely and easily accessible traffic and road condition information on Wisconsin's main highways, including the Interstate system.

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