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DATE: December 9, 2008
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TO: Governor Jim Doyle

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Administrator

SUBJECT: SITUATION REPORT ON WINTER WEATHER #5

OVERVIEW At around 10 a.m., a jackknifed semi stopped traffic on eastbound Interstate 39 and 90 south of Interstate 43 near mile marker 186, near the city of Beloit in Rock County. No injuries were reported. Traffic is being routed along the alternate route: exit Interstate 39 and 90 at Interstate 43 northbound, then southbound on state highway 140 through Clinton, Illinois 76 southbound back to Interstate 90 near Rockford. The remaining portion of Interstate 39 and 90 has been reopened.

With the movement of colder air across southern Wisconsin, virtually all of central, southern and northeast Wisconsin is now receiving snow, with visibilities ranging from one to four miles in central Wisconsin to one half to two miles across the south. Snow will continue to accumulate in parts of central and all of southern Wisconsin this morning, bringing with it an additional one to four inches, with the heaviest accumulations targeted for the south and east. The snow will diminish from west to east this afternoon and evening. Blowing and drifting snow will be a problem throughout the state, making travel conditions treacherous.

Expected accumulations for various regions include:

- Lafayette, Green, Rock: 3-5"
- Waukesha, Walworth: 4-6"
- Fond du Lac, Sheboygan, Dodge, Washington, Jefferson: 3-6"
- La Crosse, Clark, Buffalo, Trempealeau, Jackson, Monroe, Juneau, Adams, Vernon, Crawford, Richland, Grant: 1-3"

Here are some local snowfall reports as of 8 a.m. on Dec. 9, 2008:

- Portage – 9.3
- Boscobel – 8.0" (Grant county)
- Sheboygan - 7.1"
- Rosendale – 6.0" (Fond du Lac county)
- Madison/Truax Field – 4.5"
- Jackson – 4.9" (Washington county)
- Richland Center – 6.5"

- La Crosse – 6.0”
- Prairie du Chien – 6.2”
- Blue River – 7.5” (Grant county)
- Coloma – 5.0” (Waushara)
- Green Bay – 5.0”
- Wisconsin Rapids – 4.1”

Winter storm warnings and winter weather advisories remain in effect for all of central and southern Wisconsin today into this evening.

For a map of expected snowfall across the state, check our website at www.weather.gov/mkx.

Road conditions – Roads remain snow packed and icy. Semi runoffs and jackknives have been reported on major roadways such as southbound U.S. 41 at Green Bay and Interstate 43.

Motorists should be prepared for treacherous driving conditions today and travel only if absolutely necessary. Current winter road conditions are available by calling: 1-800-ROADWIS (762-3947) and on the internet at: <http://www.dot.wisconsin.gov/travel/index.htm>

State Emergency Operations Center - The Emergency Operations Center (EOC) remains activated to monitor the storm. Representatives from Wisconsin Emergency Management, Wisconsin Department of Transportation, Wisconsin State Patrol, Wisconsin National Guard, and the National Weather Service are staffing the EOC.