DATE: December 19, 2008
6:00 a.m.

TO: Governor Jim Doyle

FROM: Johnnie Smith
Administrator

SUBJECT: SITUATION REPORT ON WINTER WEATHER #3

OVERVIEW – A winter storm warning continues to remain in effect for much of Wisconsin. As of 6 a.m., several locations are reporting heavy snowfall. Some areas in southern Wisconsin are receiving 1 to 1 ½ inches of snow per hour. The snow will continue to be heavy throughout the morning and should taper off later today. Another storm will hit the state Saturday night and into Sunday.

Some of the snow totals include:
- Milwaukee – 6”
- Madison – 5”
- Racine – 5”
- Janesville – 6.7”
- Fond du Lac – 4”
- Waukesha - 6.8”

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.

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.

For further information, contact Wisconsin Emergency Management at 608-242-3232.