DATE: December 21, 2008
4:00 a.m.

TO: Governor Jim Doyle

FROM: Johnnie Smith
Administrator

SUBJECT: SITUATION REPORT ON WINTER WEATHER #2

OVERVIEW – The majority of the state remains under winter weather and wind chill advisories. Strong west to northwest winds is causing drifting and blowing, reducing visibility. Temperatures continue to drop into the single digits with wind chills reaching 25 to 30 below zero.

The State of Wisconsin Emergency Operations Center remains activated with Wisconsin Emergency Management, Wisconsin State Patrol, Wisconsin Department of Transportation (DOT) and Wisconsin National Guard personnel monitoring the situation.

Travel is discouraged, but if you must travel, exercise extreme caution and allow extra time to reach your destination. Let someone know your travel route and expected arrival time and have a working cell phone in case you become stranded. Keep a winter survival kit in your vehicle, including a flashlight, blankets, and food and water. If you choose to travel, be aware that if you become stranded it may take several hours for help to arrive.

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