DATE: July 23, 2010
12:00 p.m.

TO: Governor Jim Doyle

FROM: Mike Hinman
WEM Administrator

SUBJECT: SITUATION REPORT #5 ON SEVERE WEATHER

OVERVIEW – Latest damage reports as of 12:00 p.m.: 
Governor’s Office – Governor Jim Doyle today declared a State of Emergency in Milwaukee County following severe storms and flash flooding. The State of Emergency directs state agencies to assist local governments in recovering from this natural disaster. Wisconsin Emergency Management is working with local officials to begin assessing the damage and determining what resources would be needed to help speed response and recovery efforts. Local and state officials are continuing to work to get an accurate assessment of the damage and the resources needed to help speed recovery efforts.

Weather – The National Weather Service says Southern Wisconsin will continue to face heavy rain, flooding and damaging winds. An additional 1-3 inches of rain is expected tonight with localized precipitation up to 5 inches. Storms should start clearing out by Saturday night.

Columbia County – Two sand bag operations are ongoing. In the city of Columbus, 6 Huber inmates are assisting filling bags.

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