DATE: January 30, 2013  4:00 p.m.

TO: Governor Scott Walker

FROM: Brian M. Satula, WEM Administrator

SUBJECT: Winter Storm Situation Report #2

Winter storm and winter weather advisories remain in effect for much of Wisconsin as a storm system leaves a path from Grant County to Marinette County with 5-10 inches of snow possible. Snow and gusty winds area creating hazardous travel conditions.

Snow Conditions – As of 3:00 p.m., snow totals range from a couple of inches in the Racine/Kenosha area to over 9 inches in Sauk County. Below are some unofficial snow totals so far:

- Madison – 6"
- Reedsburg – 9.5"
- Berlin – 8"
- Fort Atkinson – 4.9"
- Stevens Point – 7"
- Green Bay – 7"
- Merrill – 5"
- LaCrosse – 5"
- Mauston – 7"
- Viroqua – 9"

Roads are treacherous, especially since many secondary roads have not been plowed in the heaviest snow areas. Road crews will continue to make progress as snow has begun to taper off in western Wisconsin. Winds continue to gust in the 20-30 mph range causing blowing and drifting snow.

Wind Chill Advisories – Wind chill advisories have already been posted for the west central portion of Wisconsin with wind chill values range from -25 to -35 degrees. Additional advisories are expected across the state. Arctic air will move into Wisconsin causing temperatures to plummet tonight and into Friday.

Flooding – Flood Warnings remain in effect for the Fox River near New Munster in Kenosha County. As of 3:00 p.m., the flood stage was 9.6 feet. It is expected to rise to nearly 11 feet Thursday night causing minor flooding. During the rain and melting snow on Tuesday, several communities in the southwest and central Wisconsin reported minor flooding. Frozen ground caused water to pond in low lying areas and run into basements.
Wisconsin Emergency Management remains engaged with the local officials and the National Weather Service. The State Emergency Operations Center currently remains at Level 4, monitoring events. While there have been no requests for state assistance, Wisconsin Emergency Management stands ready to help.