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TO: Governor Scott Walker

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SUBJECT: Situation Report #5 on Heat Wave & Storm Damage

The National Weather Service confirmed this afternoon that straight line winds caused the damage last night in the Stevens Point area. The highest wind speeds were estimated to be around 75 mph. In addition, the storms produced significant rainfall, with over 4 inches in Gilman and Lublin in Taylor County.

Northeast Region

Portage County - Cleanup and damage assessments continue following the severe storms that caused downed trees and power lines. There were no reports of injuries. Officials estimate about 6,000 customers in the Stevens Point area remain without power and are not sure when power will be fully restored. Two cooling shelters are open until 8:00 p.m. tonight.

Five damage assessment teams were out looking at damage to homes and businesses. Most of the damage reported was minor but seven homes did sustain major damage. In addition, the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point sustained about \$150,000 in structural damage.

West Central Region

Clark County - Last night's storm caused downed trees and power lines along with flash flooding. Clark County Emergency Management reports they had 11 road washouts. The majority of the roads are repaired and open.

Heat Issues

As of 3:00 p.m., neither Wisconsin Emergency Management nor Wisconsin Department of Health Services (DHS) has been notified of any heat related deaths. Since last Friday, statewide ambulance reports show there have been 55 heat-related calls (21 reported calls since Monday).

Many communities have opened cooling shelters to provide relief for those that do not have air conditioning. The list is located on the WEM website at <http://emergencymanagement.wi.gov> and at the ReadyWisconsin site at http://ready.wi.gov/heat/cooling_centers.asp Both websites are updated twice daily.

Additional heat safety information is also available at the ReadyWisconsin site at <http://readywisconsin.wi.gov>

There has been no request for state assistance at this time. WEM will continue to monitor the storm damage assessments and heat issues.