EMERGENCY EXECUTIVE ORDER 91-23
PROVIDING FOR EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE
TO RESTORE ELECTRICAL SERVICE IN
FREEBORN AND MOWER COUNTIES

I, ARNE H. CARLSON, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and the applicable statutes, do hereby issue this Emergency Executive Order:

WHEREAS, on November 1 freezing rain downed power lines and left 4,500 customers of Freeborn-Mower Electric Cooperative without electrical service; and

WHEREAS, there is an imminent threat to the health and safety of these individuals; and

WHEREAS, Freeborn-Mower Electric Cooperative’s urgent need for electric utility vehicles to repair power lines cannot be met by other Minnesota utilities; and

WHEREAS, federal rules authorize the waiver of federal motor carrier safety regulations during gubernatorially declared disasters so that motor carriers and drivers can provide emergency relief; and
WHEREAS, critically needed electric utility vehicles are available in Wisconsin;

NOW, THEREFORE, I hereby declare the situation in Freeborn and Mower counties to be a disaster under federal rules (49 CFR Parts 390 through 399) and hereby order the waiver of federal motor carrier safety regulations in order to transport critically needed electrical utility vehicles from Wisconsin to Freeborn and Mower counties.

Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes 1990, Section 4.035, subd. 2, this Order shall be effective November 1, 1991, and shall remain in effect until electric service is restored to Freeborn-Mower Electric Cooperative customers.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have set my hand this seventh day of November, 1991.

ARNE H. CARLSON
Governor

Filed According to Law:

JOAN ANDERSON GROWE
Secretary of State