EMERGENCY EXECUTIVE ORDER 95-12
DECLARING A STATE OF EMERGENCY
IN THE STATE OF MINNESOTA

I, JOANNE E. BENSON, LIEUTENANT 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, during the period of October 23 through October 24, 1995, a severe early winter storm with high winds, freezing rain, and heavy, wet snow swept across western Minnesota; and

WHEREAS, these storms have inflicted widespread and considerable damage to the public infrastructure including private non-profit electric cooperatives, as well as to homes and farms; and

WHEREAS, as a result there is a threat to public safety for citizens in the counties of Big Stone, Stevens, Swift, and Traverse; and

WHEREAS, the resources of local government and private relief agencies are being fully utilized to respond to the crisis; and

WHEREAS, these resources are expected to be exhausted as the recovery process continues;
NOW, THEREFORE, I hereby order that:

A State of Emergency exists in the State of Minnesota and do direct the Division of Emergency Management, in conjunction with the Federal Emergency Management Agency and other state and federal agencies, to determine the need for supplementary disaster aid and to coordinate the provision of any such assistance as necessary under existing state and federal authority.

Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes 1994, Section 4.035, subd. 2, this Order is effective immediately and shall remain in effect until rescinded by proper authority or it expires in accordance with Minnesota Statutes 1994, Section 4.035, subd. 3.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have set my hand this twenty-seventh day of November, 1995.

JOANNE E. BENSON
Lieutenant Governor

Filed According to Law:

JOAN ANDERSON GROWE
Secretary of State