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**GOVERNOR BARBOUR CLOSSES STATE OFFICES SOUTH OF
U.S. 82 DUE TO SEVERE WINTER WEATHER**

Jackson, Mississippi – Governor Haley Barbour today ordered state offices closed south of U.S. 82 today due to snowy and icy conditions in the area.

“This is a time to be safety-minded and to check in on your elderly and housebound neighbors to make sure they have what they need to get through this winter storm,” Governor Barbour said.

Governor Barbour declared a State of Emergency on Thursday and alerted the National Guard to be prepared to respond to emergencies. The Department of Public Safety and the Mississippi Emergency Management Agency are also aiding local communities. Agency directors have the discretion to decide whether key personnel or emergency officials should report to work.

Unless otherwise notified, all state employees should report to work on Tuesday.

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