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MEDIA ADVISORY **Executive Hurricane Session**

Pearl – To follow up on the May 12 statewide Hurricane Wendi exercise, Governor Haley Barbour and representatives from lead state emergency coordinating agencies will meet Wednesday, May 27 to discuss and review hurricane preparedness plans for the upcoming season.

Hurricane season begins June 1 and lasts until Nov. 30. Governor Barbour declared May 25-29 Mississippi's Hurricane Preparedness Week.

WHO: Governor Haley Barbour, MEMA Director Mike Womack and representatives from lead agencies of the emergency support functions for the State Emergency Operations Center during a disaster. Emergency support functions are the categories outlined in the state's Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan to prepare for, respond to and recover from emergencies such as hurricanes.

WHAT: Executive session to discuss upcoming hurricane season and plans for Mississippi.

WHERE: MEMA State Emergency Operations Center at #1 MEMA Drive in Pearl. The facility is next door to the State Fire Academy.

WHEN: Meeting is from 9 to 11 a.m. with media availability afterward.

For more information, please go to www.msema.org or call MEMA External Affairs at 866-920-6362.

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