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PUBLIC ALERT MESSAGE

INCIDENT: Winter Storm Nemo – Be Prepared
MESSAGE # 2

Thursday, February 7, 2013 9:00 PM, Stamford Winter storm, Nemo, is expected to significantly impact the Stamford area Friday afternoon and evening, into Saturday afternoon. Blizzard conditions and strong winds are predicted, with possible sustained winds of 20-30 mph and gusts up to 60 mph. The total snowfall is expected to range from approximately 12 – 26 inches.

City crews and emergency personnel are closely monitoring the storm and preparing for a major snow event.

Severe weather conditions may also bring power outages and dangerous travel conditions. Some coastal flooding is expected during the time of high tide Friday night just before midnight with minor flooding possible.

- **A Snow Emergency has been issued for the City of Stamford, banning parking on Snow Emergency Routes. Residents are reminded to utilize the Municipal Parking Garages at Bedford Street, Summer Street and Bell Street, where parking is available at no cost, 24 hours a day, until the Snow Emergency is lifted.**
- **All offending vehicles will be ticketed and towed during the Snow Emergency.**

Information will be shared on the City's website as the situation develops and updates are received.

During severe weather, residents and businesses are strongly urged to:

- **Stay Informed:** Be sure to repeatedly check your local TV and radio stations, and the City's website for news and information as it becomes available.

Visit:

- ✓ www.StamfordCT.gov
- ✓ WSTC Radio - 1400 AM
- ✓ WSHU Stamford Radio – 91.1 FM
- ✓ WGCH Radio - 1490 AM
- ✓ Fox Radio 95.9 FM
- ✓ News 12 Connecticut, Channel 12

- **Stay indoors during the storm.** Travel only if it is absolutely necessary.
- **Prepare an Emergency Supply Kit:**
 - ✓ Keep an extra cell phone car-charger in your automobile
 - ✓ Bottled water, 3-5 day supply (1 gallon per person, per day)
 - ✓ High-calorie, non-perishable food, i.e. granola/snack bars, etc.
 - ✓ Flashlights/Battery operated lanterns
 - ✓ Extra Batteries
 - ✓ Blankets or Sleeping Bags
 - ✓ Extra Clothes
 - ✓ First Aid Kit
- **Develop and Rehearse an Emergency Plan:** Organize a plan for you and your family, should there be an emergency. Always inform loved ones where you are and where you are going, in case you become separated or need to relocate. Teach family members how to use text messaging; text messages can often get around network disruptions when a phone call might not be able to get through.
- **Dangers of Carbon Monoxide Poisoning:** In the event of a power outage, portable generators should be operated safely. Outdoor grilling devices should never be brought inside the home for cooking or warmth. Only use generators and outdoor grills outside of your home and never in enclosed spaces such as garages, basements, or porches. Always run your generator outdoors as far from your home and your neighbors' homes as possible (at least 20 feet) and away from doors, windows, and air intake vents.
- **Register with Stamford's Emergency Notification System, Code Red,** to receive a phone message, text message whenever there is an urgent announcement or situational update. Visit: www.StamfordCT.gov, and click on the **“Register for Stamford Alert”** button.

- **Keep Automobiles Prepared:** Power outages may disable fuel stations; be sure to fill up in advance if severe weather. Keep a cell phone car-charger in the glove box.
- **Emergency Shelters:** In the event of a major power outage, emergency shelters may be open to the public. Be sure to pack any necessary medications or medical equipment, toiletries and bed linens.
- **Care for your Pet:** Bring pets/companion animals inside during winter weather.

Additional tips on how to prepare for and respond to severe weather, visit:
www.ready.gov and www.weather.gov.