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**From:** Schimsa, Rebecca  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 4, 2016 11:32 AM  
**To:** Haley, Nikki  
**Cc:** Patel, Swati  
**Subject:** RE: TORNADO WARNING has been issued for downtown Columbia. Seek safe shelter away from windows immediately.

The NWS confirmed that a brief EF-0 tornado touched down near the Farmers Market yesterday - it was 50-75 feet wide and traveled 0.6 mile. Some cars in a storage lot area were damaged, but nothing else was reported.

This should be the final report for this event.

-----Original Message-----

**From:** Schimsa, Rebecca  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 03, 2016 2:55 PM  
**To:** 'Haley, Nikki (govhaley@gov.sc.gov)'  
**Cc:** 'Patel, Swati (swatipatel@gov.sc.gov)'  
**Subject:** FW: TORNADO WARNING has been issued for downtown Columbia. Seek safe shelter away from windows immediately.

There have been no reports of tornadoes forming or touching down. A tornado warning is in effect until 3:30 p.m. for the Lexington, Richland, and Sumter area. A warning means that conditions are likely for a tornado to occur and/or that a tornado is imminent.

-----Original Message-----

**From:** Rave Alert [mailto:scgov@getrave.com]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 03, 2016 2:47 PM  
**To:** Schimsa, Rebecca  
**Subject:** TORNADO WARNING has been issued for downtown Columbia. Seek safe shelter away from windows immediately.

TORNADO WARNING has been issued for downtown Columbia. Seek safe shelter immediately. Move to an interior hallway on a lower level in the middle of the building you are in, stay away from windows and glass doors, and DO NOT use elevators.