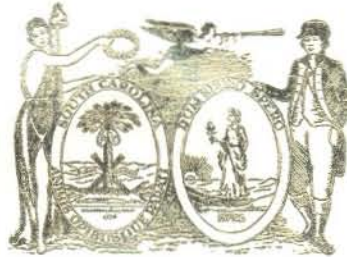


State of South Carolina
Executive Department



Office of the Governor

EXECUTIVE ORDER No.

2007- 03

WHEREAS, on January 31, 2007 the National Weather Service issued a Winter Storm Warning for parts of the State, as temperatures were forecasted to remain below freezing and drop significantly during the night, thereby making road conditions hazardous; and

WHEREAS, in that these conditions posed a threat to the safety of some of the state's citizens, State offices in the counties of Oconee, Pickens, Greenville, Anderson, Spartanburg, Cherokee, York, Chester, Abbeville, Laurens, Greenwood, Union, Fairfield, Lancaster, Kershaw and Chesterfield were closed, either in whole or in part as directed, on February 1, 2007, and the opening of State offices in the following counties was delayed as follows: until 10:00 a.m. Richland and Lexington; and until noon McCormick, Edgefield, Saluda and Newberry.


NOW, THEREFORE, by virtue of the power and authority vested in me as Governor, pursuant to the Constitution and Statutes of the State of South Carolina, all State employees absent from work, in whole or in part as directed, on February 1, 2007, due to this hazardous weather emergency are hereby granted leave with pay.



GIVEN UNDER MY HAND AND
THE GREAT SEAL OF THE
STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA,
THIS 1st DAY OF FEBRUARY,
2007.


MARK SANFORD
Governor

ATTEST


MARK HAMMOND
SECRETARY OF STATE