

SEP 15 2008

**EXECUTIVE ORDER  
08-31**

SECRETARY OF STATE  
COMMISSIONS DIVISION

Whereas, I have been advised by the Director of the State Emergency Management Agency that the on-going and forecasted severe storm systems have caused, or have the potential to cause, damages associated with tornados, high winds, hail, flooding, and flash-flooding in communities throughout the state of Missouri; and

Whereas, the severe weather that began on September 11, 2008 and is continuing, has the potential to create a condition of distress and hazard to the safety, welfare, and property of the citizens of the state of Missouri beyond the capabilities of some local jurisdictions, and other established agencies; and

Whereas, the state will continue to be proactive where the health and safety of the citizens of Missouri are concerned; and

Whereas, the citizens and communities of Missouri are still recovering from the effects of the February, March, May, and June 2008 major disasters; and

Whereas, the resources of the state of Missouri may be needed to assist affected jurisdictions and to help relieve the condition of distress and hazard to the safety and welfare of our fellow Missourians; and

Whereas, an invocation of the provisions of Section 44.100 and 44.110, RSMo, will be required to ensure the protection of the safety and welfare of the citizens of Missouri.

Now, Therefore, I, PETER KINDER, LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI, upon express delegation of Matt Blunt, Governor of the state of Missouri, and by virtue of the authority vested in him by the Constitution and Laws of the state of Missouri, including Sections 44.100 and 44.110, RSMo, do hereby declare that a State of Emergency exists in the state of Missouri. I do hereby direct that the Missouri State Emergency Operations Plan be activated.

I further authorize the use of state agencies to provide assistance, as needed.

This order shall terminate on October 15, 2008, unless extended in whole or in part.



ATTEST:

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Missouri, in the City of Jefferson on the 15th day of September, 2008.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Peter Kinder".

Peter Kinder  
Lieutenant Governor

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Robin Carnahan".

Robin Carnahan  
Secretary of State