MEDIA RELEASE  Special Siren Test

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This Wednesday March 20, 2013, Dane County Emergency Management will be conducting a specialized “growl” test of the outdoor warning system at 12:00pm. The sirens will only sound for 15-25 seconds. Because of the short activation period, the sirens will sound more like they are *growling* rather than their full volume wail.

This test is part of the current upgrade for the outdoor warning siren control system. The public needs to be aware that this test is out of the ordinary and it will sound different than usual. If there is a threat of severe weather, the test will be postponed.

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