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## **TROPICAL THREATS BONNIE and CHARLEY**

### **Situation Report 2**

**August 13, 2004, 0800 hours**

**TO:** Governor's Office, Chief of Staff  
SC State Agencies SERT Members  
SC Counties  
OTAG  
FEMA, Region IV, Atlanta  
FEMA, Region IV, Thomasville  
GEMA  
NCDEM

**FROM:** State Emergency Operations Center (SEOC)

### **SITUATION:**

The Governor activated the EOP and SEOC at the Limited level as of 1400 hours Thursday, August 12, 2004. The State Emergency Operations Center (SEOC) opened as directed and the state's readiness posture was elevated to OPCON 3 (Emergency Situation Likely), and additional emergency support assets were placed on standby. The Governor, members of his staff and cabinet, national weather analysts and emergency management officials at the state and local level continue to monitor the progress of Hurricane Charley, and will increase the readiness posture throughout the day on Friday as directed by the Governor. Tropical Depression Bonnie has moved out of the state. Damage information from Bonnie and related weather will be assessed and reported if necessary.

Hurricane Charley (75 miles west of Key West, Florida with maximum sustained winds of 110 mph as of 0700 hours EDT today) continues to threaten South Carolina with the potential for severe weather including but not limited to tornadoes, tropical storm force winds and hurricane-strength gusts, heavy rains and flooding over the next 36 hours. In some parts of the state, the rain total from both storms may be as high as 9 inches. Some areas may receive 2 to 5 inches of rain. Heavy winds and tornados are possible. The storm is expected to enter the state around Jasper County at 0400 hours Saturday morning and leave near Chesterfield County around 2000 hours Saturday evening.

**WEATHER:**

Today's weather will range from partly cloudy to cloudy with rain likely across most of the state.

**ESTIMATE OF CASUALTIES:**

None reported

**STATUS OF DECLARATIONS:**

None at this time.

**STATUS OF EMERGENCY OPERATIONS CENTERS:**

SEOC is under Limited activation at OPCON 3.

**ESF-1: TRANSPORTATION:**

Active and preparing for post-storm response.

**ESF-2: COMMUNICATIONS:**

Active and preparing for post storm response.

**ESF-3: PUBLIC WORKS AND ENGINEERING**

On standby for possible activation at OPCON 2 on Saturday, August 14.

**ESF-4: FIRE SERVICE**

On standby for possible activation at OPCON 2 on Saturday, August 14.

**ESF-5: INFORMATION AND PLANNING**

Active and preparing for post-storm response.

**ESF-6: MASS CARE**

Active and preparing for storm response. Planning for sheltering as needed should evacuations be implemented. PPP is prepared to support security as needed.

**ESF-7: RESOURCE SUPPORT**

On standby for possible activation at OPCON 2 on Saturday, August 14.

**ESF-8: HEALTH AND MEDICAL SERVICES**

Active and preparing for post-storm response.

**ESF-9: SEARCH AND RESCUE**

Active and preparing for post-storm response. The State Fire Mobilization Plan is in effect and rescue resources are being identified. DNR has one swift water rescue team available.

**ESF-10: HAZARDOUS MATERIALS**

On standby for possible activation at OPCON 2 on Saturday, August 14.

**ESF-11: FOOD SERVICES**

On standby for possible activation at OPCON 2 on Saturday, August 14.

**ESF-12: ENERGY**

On standby for possible activation at OPCON 2 on Saturday, August 14.

**ESF-13: LAW ENFORCEMENT**

ESF 13 is fully staffed and operational. SLED officers are deployed to support specific Low Country security missions.

**ESF-14: DONATED GOODS AND VOLUNTEER SERVICES**

On standby for possible activation at OPCON 2 on Saturday, August 14.

**ESF-15: MILITARY SUPPORT**

Active and preparing for storm response. Numerous resources have been placed on standby if needed.

**ESF-16: EMERGENCY TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT**

Active and preparing for storm response. Twenty-six Officers from the SCHP have been deployed into the Low Country and 76 DPS and PPP officers are on standby if needed.

**ESF-17: ANIMAL EMERGENCY RESPONSE**

Active and preparing for post storm response.