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Mayor Advises Vernon Residents to Prepare for Winter Storm Charlotte

(Vernon, CT) - Mayor George F. Apel today urged Vernon residents to be proactive in preparing for Winter Storm Charlotte, expected to bring **blizzard conditions** for most of the state, beginning tomorrow and lasting through Saturday afternoon.

"Now is the time to prepare for a prolonged indoor stay, and to take necessary measures to prepare for the impact of Winter Storm Charlotte. This means keeping apprised of watches and warnings issued by the National Weather Service and to be proactive in securing food, water, basic emergency supplies and personal medical supplies. Please be assured that the safety of our residents is our foremost concern. The Vernon Office of Emergency Management is closely monitoring the situation and coordinating the Town's response operations."

Additionally, with the potential for blizzard conditions, heavy snow and accumulations approaching two feet, town services will be effected in advance of and after Storm Charlotte. At this time, I wish to remind residents to:

- Stay away from **DOWNED POWER LINES** and report emergencies and downed lines to 911.
- If you experience a **POWER OUTAGE**, call **Connecticut Light and Power at (800) 286-2000** to report it and do not assume outages have been reported.
- A town-wide **PARKING BAN** will begin at 11:00 a.m. on Friday and will remain in effect for at least eight (8) hours after the snow has stopped. Vehicles parked in violation of the ban are subject to being ticketed and/or towed.
- **REFUSE and RECYCLING COLLECTION** is cancelled for Friday, February 8th and will be collected on Monday, February 11th. The **TRANSFER STATION**, located on Hockanum Boulevard, will also be closed on Saturday, February 9th and Sunday, February 10th, 2013.

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