

Governor Markell Announces Lifting of State of Emergency in New Castle County

Wilmington, DE – Governor Jack Markell announced he has lifted the State of Emergency with Level One Driving Warning for New Castle County, effective at 2 p.m. today. The State of Emergency with a Level 1 Driving Warning was lifted in Kent County at noon. Road conditions throughout the state have improved since this morning, but some roads still have snow and ice on them. Drivers should continue to exercise caution if they must travel. DelDOT will continue to plow and salt roads as necessary.

“Thousands of State workers have been working across Delaware throughout the duration of this event and we are incredibly grateful for their efforts,” said Governor Markell. “Road conditions continue to improve, but motorists should continue to be careful, as snowy and icy spots still exist and additional snowfall is expected in the northern part of the state.”

An additional 1 – 3 inches is forecasted to fall sometime this evening in New Castle County. State officials will continue to monitor the weather and road conditions and will take any appropriate action, including possibly re-instituting a state of emergency if weather conditions require.

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Executive Department

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TERMINATION OF A STATE OF EMERGENCY

FOR NEW CASTLE COUNTY

WHEREAS, Kent County and New Castle County experienced significant accumulation of snow in the past 18 hours, creating dangerous conditions on area roads; and

WHEREAS, I instituted a state of emergency in New Castle County and Kent County, effective at 5:00 a.m. today; and

WHEREAS, due to the improving condition of roads in Kent County, I ended the state of emergency in Kent County effective at noon today; and

WHEREAS, thanks to the efforts of the Department of Transportation and many state and local emergency responders, road conditions are improving and most are passable for travel, although some areas remain snow covered and icy, so drivers should continue to exercise caution;

NOW THEREFORE, I, JACK A. MARKELL, hereby declare:

1. My declaration of a state of emergency, including the Level 1 driving warning, dated February 13, 2014 is terminated for New Castle County as of 2:00 p.m. today.

2. Pursuant to 20 Del. C. § 3116(a)(11), the Delaware National Guard shall continue to provide necessary assistance to state and local activities, at the discretion of the Adjutant General or his designee.

APPROVED this February 13, 2014 at 1:30 p.m. E.S.T.

Governor