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Executive Order No. 2-96

EXECUTIVE ORDER PROCLAIMING AN EMERGENCY
TO EXIST IN THE CITY OF CHOTEAU AND TETON COUNTY

WHEREAS, extreme cold temperatures, high winds and drifting snow have caused the disruption of natural gas service and the loss of heating capabilities to the City of Choteau and the surrounding area in Teton County; and

WHEREAS, these severe weather conditions have caused life threatening situations and an imminent threat to people, property and livestock; and

WHEREAS, the City of Choteau and Teton County have declared emergencies and have requested the Governor to do the same; and

WHEREAS, a proclamation of an emergency or disaster authorizes the Governor under Section 10-3-311, MCA, to expend funds from the general fund to meet contingencies and needs arising from these conditions.

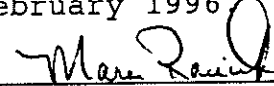
NOW, THEREFORE, I, MARC RACICOT, Governor of the State of Montana, pursuant to the authority vested in me as Governor

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under the Constitution of the State of Montana and Title 10,
Chapter 3, MCA, and under other applicable statutes, do hereby
declare a disaster to exist in the City of Choteau and Teton
County.

This Order is effective immediately.

GIVEN under my hand and the
GREAT SEAL of the State of
Montana, this 2nd day of
February 1996.



MARC RACICOT, Governor

ATTEST:


MIKE COONEY, Secretary of State