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## **NEWS RELEASE**

Outdoor Warning System: Siren Testing – May 6, 2015

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Sheriff Spoden reminds all Rock County citizens that the monthly testing of the Outdoor Warning System occurs next Wednesday, May 6th at 12:05 pm. In the event of inclement weather, siren testing will be postponed until 12:05 pm on the second Wednesday of the month.

The test signal will be 1 - 2 minutes in duration. Please tune in to your local radio stations or weather radios for all weather related information and instructions when the sirens are sounded.

In the event of an actual tornado warning, the sirens sound steadily for three to five minutes. This lengthy alert tone will indicate that citizens should immediately take shelter and tune in to local broadcasting stations or weather radios for further information.

## **Test Signal vs. Tornado Warning**

- Test Signal: Steady tone lasting 1 2 minutes
- Tornado Warning: Steady tone lasting 3 5 minutes

Citizens are reminded that they should not call the Rock County 911 Communications Center or local radio stations for weather information. If citizens find that the siren in their area is not working properly, please contact the Rock County Sheriff's Office -Emergency Management Bureau at 608-758-8440. For further information on the Outdoor Warning System, please visit http://www.co.rock.wi.us/emergencymanagement-alerts-warnings.

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