Severe Weather Emergency

1. WCAM has a weather radio connected to the cleanroom PA system.

2. The weather radio will only alarm and announce thunderstorm and tornado warnings, not watches. A watch means there is a possibility of a storm and a warning means one has been sighted and is moving into Dane county.

3. For thunderstorm warnings you do not have to evacuate the cleanroom, but you have the choice to if you want. If you continue to work be aware that thunderstorms can cause the power to go out and turn off the tool you are using, affecting your work.

4. For tornado warnings you should leave the cleanroom and get to a safe place. If there is time you can logout of the cleanroom and remove your cleanroom suit and exit the cleanroom as normal. If you need to hurry just keep your cleanroom suit on and get to a safe place.

5. The Engineering Centers Building’s designated storm shelter area is on the basement level in the long interior hallways. If you are unable to get to the basement floor stay away from windows and objects that can get airborne and hurt you. Interior hallways or small rooms with not much in them are best.

6. When going to the storm shelter do not use the elevator, use the emergency evacuation stairs that the blue evacuation signs lead you to but instead of exiting the building use the stairs to get to the basement level or the nearest safe shelter area.

7. Once in a safe storm shelter area sit down, face a wall, and cover your head with your arms.
8. Check a media source like a phone, radio, TV, etc. to see if the storm has passed before leaving the safe storm shelter area.

9. If you evacuated the cleanroom with your cleanroom suit on and out one of the emergency doors, wait for a WCAM staff member to collect your cleanroom suit and to log you out of the cleanroom before re-entering.