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County Judge

The Honorable Greg Abbott
Governor of Texas
c/o Chief Texas Division of Emergency Management
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Dear Governor Abbott:

The City of Post, Garza County, Texas is facing significant threats to life, health and property due to: Severe sub-zero temperatures resulted in the loss of electrical power and water to the citizens of Garza County. Citizens experienced extreme fuel bills, ranchers were out great expense for extra feed and wildlife has been threatened due to the extreme cold.

The potential impact of this threat is: A burden has been placed on the city and county governments to provide drinking water and non-potable water to all citizens for over a week.

I have determined that this incident is of such severity and magnitude that an effective response is beyond the capability of the local jurisdiction to control. Pursuant to §418 of the Texas Government Code, I am requesting that you declare a state of emergency for the state of Texas and issue appropriate directives to deal with the emergency; including: The county would like to see better management of our electrical power source and support for the Department of Ag feed programs.

Furthermore, I am asking that successive proclamations be issued and remain in effect until the threat of loss of life, injury, or damage to property is contained.

A timely response to this request would be appreciated.


Signature