EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 1051

WHEREAS the State of Mississippi is expected to be adversely affected by projected flooding of the Mississippi River, Yazoo River and its tributaries, beginning on April 28, 2011, as a result of rising waters due to rain in the upper Mississippi River Basin and Ohio River basin, which is expected to occur over wide areas of Mississippi, and thus state assistance will be necessary to support local government response and recovery efforts; and

WHEREAS, civil authorities will require support from Mississippi National Guard to cope with said emergency:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Phil Bryant, Acting Governor of the State of Mississippi, pursuant to the authority vested in me by Section 119 and Section 217, Mississippi Constitution of 1890, and Sections 7-1-5, 33-7-301, 33-7-305, Mississippi Code of 1972, do hereby direct Major General William Freeman, Adjutant General of the Mississippi National Guard, to order out such officers and enlisted personnel of the Mississippi National Guard as he deems necessary and requisite and for such duration as he deems appropriate to assist state and local civil authorities. Major General Freeman will be in direct Command of the troops ordered to active duty and will use such equipment as may be found necessary in his opinion to accomplish the support mission of the National Guard troops. The members of the Mississippi National Guard ordered to active duty under the provisions of this Order shall be subject to the provisions, privileges, and immunities of the State of Mississippi, including those governing the National Guard. Major General Freeman is authorized to request and accept such federal funding as may be available for the Mississippi National Guard under Title 32 of the United States Code and otherwise.

FURTHER, the pay and expenses of the troops ordered to State Active Duty shall be paid as provided in Sections 33-7-313, 33-7-315 and 33-9-15, Mississippi Code of 1972, unless said pay and expenses are borne by the United States of America pursuant to Title 32 of the United States Code or otherwise. All costs will be reimbursed as authorized by Section 33-15-307(4)(g), the Disaster Assistance Act of 1993, Mississippi Code of 1972, as amended, and/or other applicable Mississippi or federal law.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed.

DONE in the City of Jackson, this the 6th day of May in the year of our Lord, two thousand and eleven, and of the Independence of the United States of America, the two hundred and thirty-fifth.

PHIL BRYANT
ACTING GOVERNOR