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SNOW STORM CREATED A BLIZZARD OF OVER TIME HOURS

KINGSTON, NY (March 5, 2010)... Ulster County Comptroller Elliott Auerbach reveals the costs of the last week's snow storms based on the number of hours beyond the regular work day County employees worked to meet service needs.

"The record snowfalls of 2010 not only caused extensive black-outs throughout the Ulster County," said Auerbach, "but have required Ulster County employees to work substantive overtime hours to ensure the health and safety of County residents."

Snow events the week of February 22 - 26, 2010 wracked up 6700.25 hours in over time within the following Ulster County Departments:

Office/Department	O/T hours	O/T expense
Office of the Sheriff	446	\$24,172.22
Department of Corrections	618.75	\$17,422.13
Department of Public Works	3228.75	\$99,152.00
Golden Hill Health Care Center	2406.75	\$47,550.81
Other departments combined		\$25,373.16
TOTAL	6700.25	\$213,670.35

"My staff is developing a Measure 2 Manage report comparing actual overtime used during the first quarter of 2010 against the numbers projected in this year's budget," said Auerbach, "but I thought release of this data right on the heels of storm events would be of interest to the public."

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