



## **Administrative Approval Requests**

California Elections Code section 19213 precludes a voting system or part of a voting system that has been approved by the Secretary of State from being changed or modified until the Secretary of State has determined that the change “does not impair its accuracy and efficiency. . . .”

Information on submitting an administrative approval request is in “[Requesting Administrative Approval of a Change or Modification to an Approved Voting System.](#)”

### **Approvals**

- ES&S was approved on September 18, 2012, to modify two components on the AutoMARK VAT. The first modification was to add a second source 1 gigabyte compact flash card because the currently approved compact flash card is going end-of-life. The second modification is to replace four components on the Printed Circuit Board assemblies, which have gone end-of-life, with equivalent components. The four components are a mosfet on the Power Supply Board (PSB), a crystal on the Printer Engine Board, a capacitor on the PSB and a resistor on the PSB. This approval was under review in the September update.
- Dominion was approved on September 21, 2012, to use a SQL script to identify 400-C loads in WinEDS that lack the corresponding preference vote data for jurisdictions using the WinEDS 4.0.116B Voting System to run Ranked Choice Voting contests. This approval was under review in the September update.

### **Under Review**

- Dominion is requesting administrative approval to a new SQL script, which allows the Vote Validation functionality on its WinEDS 4.0.116B voting system to be turned off in tally type “Recount.” This will allow jurisdictions using the WinEDS 4.0.116B voting system to conduct an electronic recount where not all contest are included in the recount (i.e. a single contest recount).
- Dominion is requesting administrative approval to include a nylon washer to the paper rolls inside the VVPAT case to prevent coning in the paper, which can cause an erroneous low paper message.

## **Testing and Approval by the State of California**

There are no applications for testing voting systems pending before the Secretary of State.

### **Testing and Certification at the EAC**

The EAC provides a [weekly update](#) of voting system testing. As of October 2, 2012, the current testing and certification status for systems relevant to California is:

**Dominion Democracy Suite 4.9.** Dominion prepared an amended application to correct version numbers and expand the scope of testing for this system and will submit it to the EAC in

October. In the meantime, Wyle is developing a test plan to submit to the EAC. Related documents can be found on the EAC [website](#).

**Dominion Sequoia WinEDS 4.0.** The EAC is in discussion with Dominion about the next steps in testing. Related documents can be found on the EAC [website](#).

**Election Systems & Software (ES&S) Unity 3.4.0.0.** Wyle expects to deliver a revised Test Report to the EAC by October 5. Related documents can be found on the EAC's [website](#).

**Election Systems & Software (ES&S) EVS 5.0.0.0.** ES&S has resumed testing on this system. A revision to the scope of testing removed modem functionality and ExpressVote. Related documents can be found on the EAC [website](#).

The EAC's "[Voting Systems Under Test](#)" and "[Certified Voting Systems](#)" pages provide more specifics on any voting system.

### **Defects, Failures and Faults**

Defects, failures and faults (problem reports) of voting system hardware and software are reported to the Secretary of State. The Secretary of State in turn provides the reports to the EAC which provides them to the public on the [EAC Voting System Reports](#) clearinghouse webpage.

The Secretary of State has received problem reports for the Dominion WinEDS 4.0.116B, and WinEDS 3.1.012 voting systems. Each jurisdiction using these voting systems should have received a copy of the problem report and any associated documentation directly from their voting system vendor. For more information contact the voting system vendor, or OVSTA, or go to the EAC website, at [EAC Voting System Reports](#).

### **Ballot Printing Certification Requests**

#### **Ballot Manufacturers and Finishers Under Review:**

- Butte County is seeking certification to use Runbeck's Sentio Ballot Printing System to manually finish AccuVote-OS ballots at its Oroville, California facility.
- San Bernardino County is seeking certification to (1) change its configuration, (2) modify its current facility, and (3) add a new facility. Both the modified facility and the new facility are located in San Bernardino, California. The requested certifications are to be a manufacturer and finisher of Sequoia Optech ballots on the Runbeck Sentio Ballot Printing System.

#### **Ballot on Demand Systems Under Review:**

- ES&S requested that its Balotar system be certified to print Dominion/Sequoia Optech ballots.

A list of certified ballot printers can be found at [www.sos.ca.gov/voting-systems/cert-and-approval/ballots.htm](http://www.sos.ca.gov/voting-systems/cert-and-approval/ballots.htm).