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County Clerk/Registrar of Voters (CC/ROV) Memorandum #16170

**TO:** All County Clerks/Registrars of Voters

**FROM:** /s/ Susan Lapsley  
Deputy Secretary of State and Counsel

**RE:** Voting Systems: OVSTA Monthly Update – June 2016

Each month, the Office of Voting Systems Technology Assessment (OVSTA) provides an update on Election Assistance Commission (EAC) and Secretary of State (SOS) activities related to voting systems.

Each update provides information on:

- Voting system related events that may be of interest.
- Administrative approvals and denials since the prior month's update.
- Administrative approval requests since the prior month's update.
- Voting system testing and approval at the SOS office.
- Voting system testing and certification at the EAC.
- Defect, failure and fault reports issued since the prior month's update.
- Ballot printing certification requests since the prior month's update.

### **Recent and Upcoming Events**

OVSTA will be attending the State Certification of Voting conference in Cambridge Massachusetts on June 20 and 21, 2016.

OVSTA has started preparing the documents for the formal rule making process for the proposed Ballot Printing regulations and intends to begin that process this month.

OVSTA has started preparing the documents for the formal rule making process for the proposed Electronic Poll Book regulations and intends to begin that process this month.

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

- The Elections Systems and Software, Inc. (ES&S) Unity 3.4.1.0 voting system Red Team testing finished May 13. Functional testing will continue in June. The source code draft report is under review.

## **Administrative Approval Requests**

California Elections Code section 19216 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 the change “does not impair its accuracy and efficiency. . . .”

- There are no pending administrative approval requests.

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

## **Administrative Approvals**

- There were no administrative approvals in May.

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

The EAC provides a [weekly update](#) of voting system testing. As of the last update on May 24, 2016, the current testing and certification status for systems relevant to California is:

**ClearBallot Group ClearVote 1.4.** Pro V&V is working on the Test Plan. The kickoff meeting is scheduled for June 22 and 23. Related documents can be found on the [EAC website](#).

**Dominion Democracy Suite 5.0.** EAC, Dominion Voting Systems & Pro V&V are holding the kick off meeting for this system this week. Pro V&V is working on developing the Test Plan. Related documents can be found on the [EAC website](#).

**ESS EVS 5.2.1.1.** EAC reviewed the first draft Test Plan and provided comments to NTS on May 24, 2016. Related documents can be found on the [EAC website](#).

**ESS EVS 5.4.0.0.** ESS requested a suspension of testing on March 22. They have 120 days until (July 19) to restart testing. Related documents can be found on the [EAC website](#).

**Everyone Counts eLect Quad Audit 4.3.0.** EAC received a request from Everyone Counts to restart testing. EAC, Pro V&V and Everyone Counts are in discussions on resuming testing. 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 each voting system.

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

Defects, failures and faults (problem reports) of (1) voting system hardware and software and (2) ballot printing manufacturing and finishing are reported to the Secretary of State.

- There were no defect reports reported to OVSTA for the month of May.

### **Ballot Printing Certification Approvals**

- Provote Solutions in Porterville, California has been approved to print Optech IIIIP Eagle Ballots on their new Canon Oce 6160 printer.

### **Ballot on Demand Printing Approvals**

- San Bernardino County has been approved to print Dominion Optech 400C ballots on demand at two locations: 1947 E. Convention Center Way, Ontario, California, and 14343 Civic Drive, Victorville, California.
- Butte County has received approval to move both their over the counter ballot on demand printer from 25 County Center Drive, suite 110 in Oroville, California, and their batch ballot on demand printer from 400 Nelson Ave in Oroville, California, to 155 Nelson Ave in Oroville, California.

A list of certified ballot printers can be found at <http://www.sos.ca.gov/elections/voting-systems/certification-and-approval/ballot-printer-certification/>.

### **Electronic Poll Book Certification Requests & Approvals**

- There were no electronic poll book applications received in May.