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County Clerk/Registrar of Voters (CC/ROV) Memorandum #17045

TO: All County Clerks/Registrars of Voters

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

RE: Voting Systems: OVSTA Monthly Update – May 2017

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 technology.

Each update provides information on:

- Voting technology 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 technology 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

Elections Systems and Software, Inc.'s (ES&S) Unity 3.4.1.0 voting system was approved April 14, 2017. The certificate of approval can be viewed at:
<http://votingsystems.cdn.sos.ca.gov/vendors/ess/unity3410/unity-3410-cert.pdf>

OVSTA continued with certification testing of ES&S's EVS 5.2.1.0 voting system. Testing will continue through the coming months.

OVSTA began examination and review of Runbeck Election Services' Novus 5.0 ballot duplicating system on April 24, 2017.

OVSTA will begin examination and review of Dominion Voting Systems' Democracy Suite 5.2 voting system on May 15, 2017.

The EAC Standards Board Meeting was held in San Antonio, Texas on April 27-28, 2017. Additional information regarding the meeting can be located at: <https://www.eac.gov/events/2017/04/27/standards-board-meeting/>

The Global Election Technology Summit (The GET Summit) will be held in San Francisco, California on May 17, 2017. Additional information regarding the summit can be located at: <https://www.getsummit.org/#get>

The State Certification Testing of Voting Systems national conference will be held in Austin, Texas on June 19-20, 2017. Additional information regarding the conference can be located at: <http://elections.kennesaw.edu/conference-registration-form.php>

OVSTA is finalizing the documents for the formal rule making process for the proposed Ballot Printing regulations and Electronic Poll Book regulations.

OVSTA is in the process of updating our website. You can visit us at: <http://www.sos.ca.gov/elections/voting-systems/>

Testing and Approval by the State of California

Application status is now available online at: [Voting Technology Applications Status | California Secretary of State](#)

System	Type	Applicant	Submission Date	Testing Phase
ABVote 4.01	Remote Accessible Vote by Mail System	Votem	08/26/2016	On Hold
EVS 5.2.1.0	Voting System	Election Systems & Software	9/07/2016	Testing
Prime III	Remote Accessible Vote by Mail System	Prime III	10/31/2016	On Hold
Democracy Suite 5.2	Voting System	Dominion Voting Systems	12/18/2016	Testing
SecureSelect 1.0	Remote Accessible Vote by Mail System	Democracy Live	12/19/2016	Pre-Testing
BallotDNA 360 Voting 2.0	Remote Accessible Vote by Mail System	DemTech	01/04/2017	Pre-Testing
Novus 5.0	Ballot Duplicating System	Runbeck	02/23/2017	Testing

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 were no administrative approval requests in April.

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

Administrative Approvals

- Monterey County’s application to use the Dominion Democracy Suite 4.14-A.1 with Adjudication 2.4.1.14601 voting system in conjunction with their existing Sequoia WinEDS 3.1.012 AVC Edge voting system was approved April 17, 2017.

Testing and Certification at the EAC

The EAC provides a [weekly update](#) of voting system testing. As of the last update on May 2, 2017, the current testing and certification status for systems relevant to California is:

ClearBallot Group ClearVote 1.4. ClearBallot provided the technical data package to EAC and Pro V&V. Pro V&V and ClearBallot are working on revisions to the test plan based on EAC comments. Related documents can be found on the EAC [website](#).

Everyone Counts elect Quad Audit 4.4.0. Everyone Counts requested a suspension of testing on March 16, 2017. They have 90 days (June 14, 2017) to restart testing or this test will be terminated. 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 April.

Ballot Printing Certification Requests & Approvals

- There were no ballot printing certification requests or approvals for the month of April.

A list of certified ballot printers can be found at:

<http://elections.cdn.sos.ca.gov/pdfs/approved-vendors-2017-01.pdf>

Ballot on Demand Printing Requests & Approvals

- Runbeck Election Services has applied for approval of a new Sentio ballot on demand system.

A list of certified ballot on demand systems and jurisdictions can be found at:

<http://votingsystems.cdn.sos.ca.gov/cert-and-approval/ballots/cert-bod-2015.pdf>.

Electronic Poll Book Certification Requests & Approvals

Application status is now available online at:

[Voting Technology Applications Status | California Secretary of State](#)

System	Type	Applicant	Submission Date	Testing Phase
ExpressPoll EZRoster V3.3.1.0	ePollBook	Election Systems & Software	08/26/2016	Application (Review)
Asked V.3.4	ePollBook	Robis	01/05/2017	Application (Review)
PollPad2 CA	ePollBook	KNOWiNK	01/30/2017	Application (Review)
EA Tablet System	ePollBook	Election Administrators	01/30/2017	Application (Review)
EViD ePollBook 16.0.40.0	ePollBook	VR Systems	02/01/2017	Application (Review)