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County Clerk/Registrar of Voters (CC/ROV) Memorandum #17016

TO: All County Clerks/Registrars of Voters
FROM: /s/ Susan Lapsley
Deputy Secretary of State and Counsel
RE: Voting Systems: OVSTA Monthly Update – February 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 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

Rodney Rodriguez, Assistant Information Systems Analyst, has joined the OVSTA team effective January 20, 2017. Rodney comes to OVSTA from the California Department of Fish and Wildlife and has worked in state government for over four years.

The Elections Systems and Software, Inc. (ES&S) Unity 3.4.1.0 voting system testing has been completed. The public hearing will be held February 15, 2017, at the California Secretary of State building, 1500 11th Street, Sacramento in the auditorium at 10:00 a.m.

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

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

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	RAVBM	Votem	08/26/2016	Application (Review)
EVS 5.2.1.0	Voting System	Election Systems & Software	9/07/2016	Pre-Testing Activities (Request for Bid)
Prime III	RAVBM	Prime III	10/31/2016	Application (Review)
Democracy Suite 5.2	Voting System	Dominion Voting Systems	12/18/2016	Pre-Testing Activities (Statement of Work)
SecureSelect 1.0	RAVBM	Democracy Live	12/19/2016	Application (Review)
BallotDNA 360 Voting 2.0	RAVBM	DemTech	01/04/2017	Application (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. . . .”

- Runbeck Election Services is currently working on finalizing their application for their Novus V3.0 product. Application status is available at: <http://www.sos.ca.gov/elections/voting-systems/app-status/>.

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 January.

Testing and Certification at the EAC

The EAC provides a [weekly update](#) of voting system testing. As of the last update on January 31, 2017, the current testing and certification status for systems relevant to California is:

ClearBallot Group ClearVote 1.4. The EAC reviewed Revision A of the test plan and provided comments to Pro V&V on January 13, 2017. Pro V&V is working on revisions to the test plan. Related documents can be found on the EAC [website](#).

Dominion Democracy Suite 5.0. The EAC received Revision B of the test report on January 27, 2017. The EAC is conducting a review of those changes. Related documents can be found on the EAC [website](#).

ESS EVS 5.2.2.0. NTS sent the test report to the EAC on January 13, 2017. The EAC will provide comments or approval by February 13, 2017. Related documents can be found on the EAC [website](#).

ESS EVS 5.4.0.0. The EAC provided comments on the draft test report on January 18, 2017. NTS is working on revisions to the test report. Related documents can be found on the EAC [website](#).

Everyone Counts elect Quad Audit 4.4.0. The EAC provided comments on the test Plan to Pro V&V on January 11, 2017. Pro V&V is working on revisions to the test plan. Related documents can be found on the EAC [website](#).

Hart Verity Voting 2.2.1. The EAC received an application for this modification on January 26, 2017, and approved it on January 27, 2017. 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 January.

Ballot Printing Certification Requests & Approvals

- Provote Solutions submitted an application on January 19, 2017, to print Hart BallotNow ballots on two new printing machines. OVSTA is waiting on additional documents for this application.

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

There were no ballot on demand printing requests or approvals in January.

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)