



U.S. ELECTION ASSISTANCE COMMISSION
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December 31, 2008

Bernie Hirsch, Director, Software Development
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Re: Initial Decision on Certification

Dear Mr. Bernie Hirsch,

This correspondence is to inform you that MicroVote's Election Management System (V.4.0) has completed the initial step towards receipt of an EAC certification. This Initial Decision on Certification represents an EAC acknowledgement that the Election Management System (V.4.0) has successfully completed conformance testing to the 2005 *Voluntary Voting System Guidelines* (VVSG).

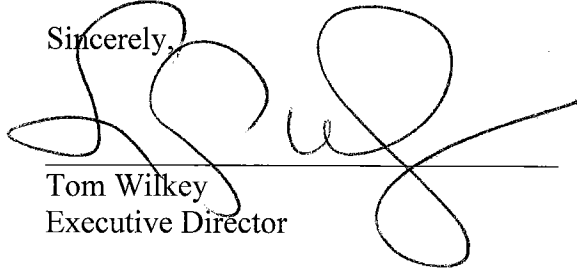
However, as provided in §5.9 of the EAC's *Voting System Testing and Certification Program Manual* (Certification Manual), for an Initial Decision to become final and to issue a certification number and a Certificate of Conformance, a manufacturer must provide documentation to the Program Director verifying that the trusted build has been performed, software has been deposited in an approved repository, and system identification tools are available to election officials. A manufacturer must submit a letter, signed by both its management representative and an iBeta Quality Assurance official, stating (under penalty of law) that it has:

1. Performed a trusted build consistent with the requirements of §5.6 of the EAC's Certification Manual;
2. Deposited software consistent with §5.7 of the EAC's Certification Manual;
3. Created and made available system identification tools consistent with §5.8 of the EAC's Certification Manual (a copy and description of the system identification tool developed must be provided with the letter); and
4. Upon a final decision to grant certification, the manufacturer accepts the certification and all conditions placed on the certification.

Upon receipt of documentation demonstrating the successful completion of the requirements above and recommendation of the Program Director, I will issue an Agency Decision granting certification and provide MicroVote's Election Management System (V.4.0) with a certification number and Certification of Conformance.

If you have any questions or need further information, please do not hesitate to contact Brian Hancock or Laiza N. Otero at your earliest convenience. I thank you in advance for your time and attention to this matter.

Sincerely,



Tom Wilkey
Executive Director

December 31, 2008
Date

Cc: Brian Hancock, U.S. Election Assistance Commission
Carolyn Coggins, iBeta Quality Assurance