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Dear Mr. Ward,

Several years ago I was a member of the Secretary of State's Public Input Committee which was charged with making a recommendation to the secretary re the type of accessible voting equipment that Colorado should use. Today I am a member of the Voter Accessibility Independence and Privacy Task Force. My passion for assuring that voters with disabilities, such as myself, have equal and accessible voting rights is long standing and still exists today. So, I listened as the four companies being considered made presentations to a review committee.

For what ever it is worth, and at the risk of intruding where comments are not wanted, I want to say that my choice would be Clear Ballot. I like the idea that they use software all ready in existence and which has been used and tested by other vendors; then adapt this for the Clear Ballot system. I like the fact that I can take my ballot and drop it into the ballot box for myself. In the past, either the machine doesn't allow for a ballot box or some one else takes my ballot and drops it into the box. I have never had a chance to do that independently before. I think that people with normal eyesight and mobility cannot realize how important it is for those of us who are challenged to be independent have every opportunity to take independent actions. Putting my own ballot in the box for myself is one more independent step I can take.

Though I have not seen the newest Clear Ballot system for myself, I am impressed with that company's concern for cost per unit. My county, Moffat, is small and rural. We do not have a lot of money to spend on voting systems. So, we need one that is reliable, economical, and easy to use. The clear Ballot system seems to be that way and I hope you will give it serious consideration.

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