

Testing Board
Summary of Retesting Activities since December 17, 2007

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Although the Secretary of State announced the results of the retesting process for all four voting systems, on December 17, 2007, the Testing Board continues to process numerous related requests for information, additional research, production of public records, and clarifications on documents. These activities are in addition to the other duties of the Testing Board, such as election official training and implementation of trusted build requirements.

To date, we have been consistently busy working on each of the four voting systems in the following ways:

ES&S:

The Testing Board has proceeded to conduct additional review of items as requested by the Secretary. These items include the processing of 10,000 ballots on the M650 and review of iVotronic documentation and video records. Additionally, we have worked on multiple public records requests for documents, which involve working with the vendor for redaction of records and generating copies of video files.

Finally, the Testing Board has been researching potential mitigation strategies for failures based on meetings and continuation of discussion with the vendor.

Hart:

The Testing Board has continued to conduct research on the evaluation of stray marks, identifying specific patterns that are not consistently detected by the scanners, and working with the vendor to determine if the upgraded version 6.2.1 will address these issues. The vendor has declined to submit the 6.2.1 software for testing to date, pending resolution of issues about the "testing plan."

Additional consideration and research have been devoted to identifying a procedural process to address some of the failures.

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Premier:

From discussions with counties and the vendor, the Testing Board has been working with both the counties and the vendor on alternatives to documented conditions. This process is being conducted informally, and updates to conditions may be posted once substantive findings and changes are available.

We have been also working with the vendor to address the necessary redaction of records and generating copies of video files, and have begun to setup testing and schedules necessary for their new voting system application for certification.

Sequoia:

From discussions with counties and the vendor, the Testing Board worked directly with Sequoia to receive documentation and perform testing and evaluation of the "printer test" functionality of the V-VPAT system.

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