

STATE OF COLORADO
Department of State

1700 Broadway
Suite 250
Denver, CO 80290



Wayne W. Williams
Secretary of State

Suzanne Staiert
Deputy Secretary of State

August 4, 2015

Mr. Ed Smith
Director, Certification
Clear Ballot Group
7 Water Street
Boston, MA 02109

Via U.S. mail and email

**Re: Temporary Approval of ClearVote 1.0
Conditions of Temporary Approval and Use**

Dear Mr. Smith:

In response to your application for temporary approval dated April 3, 2015, and in accordance with section 1-5-619, C.R.S., I'm writing to inform you that, subject to the conditions below, I temporarily approve Clear Ballot Group's (CBG's) ClearVote 1.0 voting system for use in Colorado. In addition, I temporarily authorize Hon. Stan Martin, Clerk and Recorder of Adams County, and Hon. Colleen Stewart, Clerk and Recorder of Gilpin County, to use ClearVote 1.0 in the November 3, 2015 Coordinated Election.

ClearVote 1.0 Substantially Complies with Colorado's Voting System Requirements

My office examined the application for temporary approval and supporting documentation, including the technical data package that accompanied the application. In addition, Pro V&V, a federally accredited voting-system testing laboratory, tested ClearVote 1.0 in accordance with a test plan my office approved on June 17, 2015. I have also reviewed the test report and Colorado requirements matrix transmitted by Pro V&V on July 29, 2015. Based on this review, I conclude that ClearVote 1.0 substantially complies with federal and state voting system standards.¹

¹ The system substantially complies with the 2002 Voting System Standards promulgated by the Federal Election Commission and the Colorado requirements contained in sections 1-5-615 and 1-5-616, C.R.S., and Election Rule 21.

Temporary Approval of Voting System

I temporarily approve ClearVote 1.0, subject to the following conditions:

1. This temporary approval applies only to the following specific voting system configuration and components successfully tested by Pro V&V:

Component	Description	Version	Operating System
ClearDesign	Election management software	1.0.0	Ubuntu 14.01
	Mysql-server database engine	5.5.41	
ClearCount (server)	Central count and tabulation software	1.0.7	Windows 7 (64-bit)
	Ubuntu Server Edition	13.04	
ClearCount Scanstation (client)	Ballot scanning station	-	Windows 8.1 Pro
	Fujitsu scanners	fi-6088 fi-7180	
ClearAccess	Ballot marking device (BMD) software	1.0.0	Windows 8.1 Pro
	Chrome browser	43	
	Dell Optiplex (BMD)	3030 AIO	
	Dell Inspiron (BMD)	7000	

2. My office will issue conditions of temporary approval for ClearVote 1.0 in a separate writing. CBG must demonstrate compliance with these conditions of temporary approval by 12:00 p.m. MT on August 10, 2015. I reserve the right to promulgate additional conditions of temporary approval in the future, as circumstances warrant.
3. This temporary approval applies only to the Adams County and Gilpin County November 3, 2015 Coordinated Election. I reserve the right to temporarily authorize in writing these and other political subdivisions to use this voting system in other specified elections conducted within one year of today's date. Section 1-5-619(3), C.R.S
4. I reserve the right to revoke this temporary approval at any time, in accordance with section 1-5-619(3), C.R.S.

Temporary Use Authorization

I authorize the Clerks and Recorders of Adams County and Gilpin County to use Clearvote 1.0 for the November 3, 2015 Coordinated Election only. This temporary use authorization is subject to conditions that I will detail in a separate writing. In general terms, the separate writing will require the Clerks and Recorders to comply with the following:

1. County election staff may not use the voting system for any purpose relating to the 2015 Coordinated Election until the Secretary of State installs or verifies trusted build on each component;
2. County election staff rather than Clear Ballot must build the election database in the voting system;

3. One of the designated counties must agree to conduct a risk-limiting post-election audit according to protocols and procedures developed by my office;
4. The Clerks and Recorders and their staff must complete, distribute, collect, and submit to the Pilot Election Review Committee the UVS evaluation materials, currently under development;
5. The Clerks and Recorders and their staff must comply with all reasonable requests of the Pilot Election Review Committee, as it evaluates the performance and functionalities of the voting system; and
6. I reserve the right to promulgate other conditions of temporary use, as circumstances warrant or the Pilot Election Review Committee may request.
7. The Clerks and Recorders of Adams County and Gilpin County may enter into contracts to rent or lease the temporarily approved system for the 2015 Coordinated Election. Adams County and Gilpin County may not purchase or acquire title to the voting system. Section 1-5-619(5), C.R.S.

Sincerely,



Wayne W. Williams

Colorado Secretary of State

cc: Hon. Stan Martin
Hon. Colleen Stewart