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Via U.S. mail and email

**Re: Temporary Approval of Verity Voting 1.0 with Verity Data 1.3.3
Conditions of Temporary Approval and Use**

Dear Mr. Perez:

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 Hart InterCivic's (Hart's) Verity Voting 1.0 with Verity Data 1.3.3 voting system for use in Colorado. In addition, I temporarily authorize Hon. Merlin Klotz, Clerk and Recorder of Douglas County, and Hon. Jean Alberico, Clerk and Recorder of Garfield County, to use Verity Voting 1.0 with Verity Data 1.3.3 in the November 3, 2015 Coordinated Election.

Verity Voting 1.0 with Verity Data 1.3.3 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, SLI, a federally accredited voting-system testing laboratory, tested Verity Voting 1.0 with Verity Data 1.3.3 in accordance with a test plan my office approved on June 30, 2015 (Phase I) and July 13, 2015 (Phase II). I have also reviewed the test report and Colorado requirements matrix transmitted by SLI on July 17, 2015 (Phase I) and July 27, 2015 (Phase II).. Based on this review, I conclude that Verity Voting 1.0 with Verity Data 1.3.3 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 Verity Voting 1.0 with Verity Data 1.3.3, subject to the following conditions:

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

1. Application	Description	Version
Verity Build	Election definition software	1.0.3
Verity Central	High speed central scanning software	1.0.3
Verity Count	Tabulation and reporting software	1.0.3
Verity Scan	Digital scanner firmware	1.0.3
Verity Touch Writer	Ballot Marking Device firmware	1.0.3
Verity Device Microcontroller	Firmware for Verity Devices	V17
Verity Data	Data management software	1.3.3

2. My office will issue conditions of temporary approval for Verity Voting 1.0 with Verity Voting 1.3.3 in a separate writing. Hart 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 Douglas County and Garfield 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 Douglas County and Garfield County to use Verity Voting 1.0 with Verity Data 1.3.3 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 Hart 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;
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 Douglas County and Garfield County may enter into contracts to rent or lease the temporarily approved system for the 2015 Coordinated Election. Douglas County and Garfield 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. Merlin Klotz
Hon. Jean Alberico