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U.S. Election Assistance Commission
State HAVA Funding Reports
1225 New York Avenue N.W., Suite 1100
Washington, DC 20005

Attention: Edgardo Cortes

Dear Mr. Cortes:

Enclosed, please find HAVA Reports Title II, Section 251 for Federal Fiscal Year 2006 for the State of Wisconsin. The report contains a financial status report (SF 269 Long Form), an interest and MOE report, an expenditure breakdown, and a narrative report detailing compliance with the Wisconsin's HAVA State Plan.

If you have any questions please contact me directly at 608-266-8087 or kevin.kennedy@seb.state.wi.us and I will have the appropriate individual assist you.

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FINANCIAL STATUS REPORT

(Long Form)

(Follow instructions on the back)

1. Federal Agency and Organizational Element to Which Report is Submitted	2. Federal Grant or Other Identifying Number Assigned By Federal Agency	OMB Approval No.	Page of
U.S. Election Assistance Commission	HAVA Title II, Section 251	0348-0039	1 pages

3. Recipient Organization (Name and complete address, including ZIP code)
Wisconsin State Elections Board, P.O. Box 2973, Madison, WI 53701-2973

4. Employer Identification Number	5. Recipient Account Number or Identifying Number	6. Final Report	7. Basis
39-1206337	CDFA#90-401	☐ Yes ☒ No	☒ Cash ☐ Accrual

8. Funding/Grant Period *(See instructions)* From: (Month, Day, Year)	To: (Month, Day, Year)	9. Period Covered by this Report From: (Month, Day, Year)	To: (Month, Day, Year)
7/8/2004		10/1/2005	9/30/2006

10. Transactions:	I Previously Reported	II This Period	III Cumulative
a. Total outlays	6,979,460.19	11,379,524.53	18,358,984.72
b. Refunds, rebates, etc.			0.00
c. Program income used in accordance with the deduction alternative			0.00
d. Net outlays *(Line a, less the sum of lines b and c)*	6,979,460.19	11,379,524.53	18,358,984.72
Recipient's share of net outlays, consisting of:			
e. Third party (in-kind) contributions			0.00
f. Other Federal awards authorized to be used to match this award			0.00
g. Program income used in accordance with the matching or cost sharing alternative			0.00
h. All other recipient outlays not shown on lines e, f or g	539,670.94	1,913,059.09	2,452,730.03
i. Total recipient share of net outlays *(Sum of lines e, f, g and h)*	539,670.94	1,913,059.09	2,452,730.03
j. Federal share of net outlays *(line d less line i)*	6,439,789.25	9,466,465.44	15,906,254.69
k. Total unliquidated obligations			
l. Recipient's share of unliquidated obligations			
m. Federal share of unliquidated obligations			
n. Total Federal share *(sum of lines j and m)*			15,906,254.69
o. Total Federal funds authorized for this funding period			45,809,042.68
p. Unobligated balance of Federal funds *(Line o minus line n)*			29,902,787.99
Program income, consisting of:			
q. Disbursed program income shown on lines c and/or g above			
r. Disbursed program income using the addition alternative			
s. Undisbursed program income			
t. Total program income realized *(Sum of lines q, r and s)*			0.00

11. Indirect Expense	a. Type of Rate *(Place "X" in appropriate box)* ☐ Provisional ☐ Predetermined ☐ Final ☐ Fixed			
	b. Rate	c. Base	d. Total Amount	e. Federal Share

12. *Remarks: Attach any explanations deemed necessary or information required by Federal sponsoring agency in compliance with governing legislation.*
See attached

13. Certification: **I certify to the best of my knowledge and belief that this report is correct and complete and that all outlays and unliquidated obligations are for the purposes set forth in the award documents.**

Typed or Printed Name and Title	Telephone (Area code, number and extension)
Kevin J. Kennedy, Executive Director	608-266-8005
Signature of Authorized Certifying Official	**Date Report Submitted**
Kevin J. Kennedy	March 27, 2007

Standard Form 269 (Rev. 7-97)
Prescribed by OMB Circulars A-102 and A-110

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269 Report HAVA 251 Federal Fiscal Year 6
(October 1, 2005- September 30, 2006)

Interest earned on Section 251 funds for the report period was $1,583,815.68.

Wisconsin's Maintenance of Effort (MOE) base amount from the state fiscal year immediately preceding the November 2000 federal election is $105,069. The base fiscal year is July 1, 2001 through June 30, 2002. HAVA, Section 254 (a)(7).

Wisconsin's MOE for the applicable state fiscal year for this report was $147,446. The amount budgeted for the next state fiscal year is $150,000.

Wisconsin's required HAVA 251 state match is $2,265,600. Wisconsin has exceeded its required state match by 187,130.03. These funds will be applied to any future state matching requirements.

Wisconsin spent $539,670.94 total towards its state match in the fiscal years 03, 04, & 05. Previous reports indicate $317,701.75 was spent. Expenditures for FFY 03 were not reported because no federal funds were spent in that reporting period. The amended 269 report for FFY 04 discloses these expenditures (See attached).

During the applicable fiscal year for this report, the state spent $1,913,059.09 towards its state match. $1,745,600 was spent on the development of the Statewide Voter Registration System. The state match spending consisted of a portion of salary and fringe benefits, $167,459.09, for staff assigned to work on Wisconsin's compliance with the Title III requirements of HAVA. Note the matching staff costs are separate from the individuals' MOE.

The detail for the state spending match is:

Development of the Statewide Voter Registration System (SVRS)	$1,745,600.00
75% salary and fringe benefits paid to SVRS Project Director	$70,170.82
50% salary and fringe benefits paid to Executive Director	$74,610.16
25% salary and fringe benefits paid to Agency Operations Director	$22,678.11

The Legislature appropriated $1,745,700 for the state spending match during the previous fiscal year. Interest earned on the state match was $9,401.98 in FFY 05 and $42,411.17 in FFY 06 for a total of $51,813.15. The interest on the state match has not been spent.

FFY 2006 – Analysis and Description of Activities Funded through Section 251

Statewide Voter Registration System

The Wisconsin State Elections Board made enormous progress and devoted substantial resources to implementation of its Statewide Voter Registration System (SVRS). Prior to the September 12, 2006 Partisan Primary, the application and database was active for every municipality. Unlike most states where elections and voter registration are managed by counties, Wisconsin had the additional challenge of implementing at the municipal level.

To address this challenge, the SVRS project deployed the application across the state iteratively through twelve distinct regions. These regions, as seen on the accompanying materials, encompassed multiple counties, municipalities, and voting age populations. Before January 1, 2006, only 309 out of 1,851 municipalities had an existing voter registration system. Now 1,512 municipalities are required to register voters for the first time. The 309 Wisconsin municipalities with prior systems needed to convert there existing voter registration data. Key phases are noted as follows:

- By January 1, 2006, SVRS was in operation in approximately 1/3 of Wisconsin's municipalities, 21 counties, which covered approximately one million voters. Data from 96 existing systems had been converted.

- Between May 2006 and August 2006, the 51 remaining counties in the state, including the City of Milwaukee, which had approximately 650,000 records, were added to the system. Between these dates, a total of approximately two million voters were added to SVRS.

- SVRS was used in all 1851 municipalities and 72 counties in the State of Wisconsin for the September 12, 2006 Partisan Primary. SVRS was used to print poll books for every polling place in the state in compliance with HAVA.

In order to assist the transition to the system for the 1200 new users and the conversion of the existing systems, the State Elections Board brought on a number of staff members. At the peak of implementing the project, 70 staff, consultants, and contractors were devoted to providing extensive training, support, and assistance across the state. Examples of the resources provided to assist with HAVA compliance are detailed below:

- Business Process training was offered in Fall of 2005 through Spring 2006 so that a representative from every municipality, in every county in the State of Wisconsin received training on election administration.

- SVRS Application training was provided to all 1200 users on the system prior to the September 2006 Primary. 101 SVRS Application training classes were conducted around the state in every county. Class sizes were limited to 16

students per class and a portable lab setting was used for the training. This set-up allowed students to train interactively with the system and receive one-on-one training.

- Training materials for the implementation of the SVRS project were developed and printed with the use of HAVA 251 funds.

- To ease conversion for the 309 municipalities with legacy registration systems, the State Elections Board staff provided detailed reports to assist local election officials identify problems with existing voter records and to troubleshoot how to fix those problems.

- Direct support was provided by State Elections Board staff to ensure security and compliance of the new systems by deploying staff members to locations around the state.

- Extensive in-office support was provided to serve as base of knowledge on the requirements of the HAVA requirements. Additionally, a Help Desk devoted to election administration, SVRS application, and Election Day issues was developed and staffed.

- Outreach was facilitated to discuss implementation and improve understanding of the system through presentations for the Municipal Clerk, County Clerk, and Town Board Associations. Additionally, communication with the county and municipal clerks was improved with a weekly SVRS update that is provided to every clerk in Wisconsin.

The State Elections Board is continuing work on the software interface programs associated with cross-referencing identification with the Wisconsin Department of Transportation and the Social Security Administration. Interface software was received from vendor in May 2006. The State Election Board has entered into all necessary data exchange agreements with the Wisconsin Department of Transportation and the Social Security Administration. The State Election Board has also entered into all necessary data exchange agreements with the Wisconsin Department of Corrections and the Wisconsin Department of Health and Family Services to provide felon lists and death records lists. While these lists were not fully operational with SVRS for the September 2006 Primary, the lists of ineligible voters and Wisconsin deaths were generated and manual lists were provided to each municipality for the Fall 2006 election cycle.

Accessible Voting Equipment

At the close of the FFY 06, the Wisconsin State Elections Board had not yet dispersed any of the funds allocated for reimbursement of accessible voting equipment for every polling location in the state. The Wisconsin State Elections Board approved seven voting systems for use as accessible voting equipment: Diebold AccuVote TSX, ES&S Automark, ES&S iVotronic, Populex Digital Ballot System, Sequoia AVC Edge, VTI DRE Voting System, and Vote-Pad.

Wisconsin utilized a set of standards to determine eligibility for use in the State of Wisconsin in order to ensure compliance with HAVA Section 301 and disability access.

The State Elections Board distributed information to all municipal and county clerks describing the approved vendors, the process for acquiring approved voting equipment and the process for receiving reimbursement with HAVA funding for the accessible component for their voting system. Every municipality in the State of Wisconsin had an accessible systems in place by the September 12, 2006 Partisan Primary. Disbursement of the funds allocated for reimbursement to each of these municipalities began in October 2006. We expect that the majority of the HAVA Section 251 funds will be expended prior the end of the next HAVA 251 reporting cycle as reimbursement to municipalities for the acquisition of replacement or accessible voting systems or components.