



**U.S. ELECTION ASSISTANCE COMMISSION
1225 New York Ave. NW – Suite 1100
Washington, DC 20005**

MEMORANDUM

TO: Commissioners Davidson, Rodriguez, and Hillman

FROM: Commissioner Hunter

DATE: August 1, 2007

RE: Approve the proposed policy on posting reports and studies regarding voting systems

RECOMMENDATION:

The Commission should approve and post the attached policy on posting reports or studies regarding voting systems.

**Policy on Posting Studies and Reports Under Section 202 (1) of The Help America
Vote Act of 2002**

In order to carry out the duties of the Election Assistance Commission (EAC) mandated by Section 202 (1) of the Help America Vote Act, the EAC hereby authorizes EAC staff to post reports or studies regarding the implementation of the voluntary voting system guidelines and the operation of voting systems. The EAC shall post only those reports or studies conducted or commissioned by a state or local government. In addition, the report or study must be officially submitted to the Chairman or Executive Director of the EAC by the state or local government that conducted or commissioned the report or study. As part of the official submission to the EAC, the state or local government shall certify that the report or study reflects the "experience" of the state or local government referred to in Section 202(1) of the Help America Vote Act.

The Chairman or Executive Director shall immediately notify all Commissioners of the submission. A Commissioner may object to the posting of any report under this policy within two (2) business days of the distribution of the report to the Commissioners and relevant staff. If an objection is timely raised to the posting of a report, the matter will be added to the agenda for the next public meeting of the EAC unless the Commissioner withdraws the objection in writing.

EAC staff shall include an appropriate disclaimer that the EAC: posted the report or study as part of its clearinghouse function; did not review the report or study for quality; and does not endorse the report or study.

The EAC will discuss this matter at its next public meeting.