April 25, 2018

Brian Newby, Executive Director
U.S. Election Assistance Commission
1335 East-West Highway, Suite 4300
Silver Spring, MD  20910

Dear Mr. Newby:

The purpose of this letter is to certify that the State of Arkansas will use the funds provided under the Notice of Grant Award, Agreement #AR18101001, for activities consistent with the laws described in Section 906 of HAVA and will not use the funds in a manner that is inconsistent with the requirements of Title III of HAVA.

We further certify that we have reviewed and accept the terms of the award as specified in the Notice of Grant Award. Our UEI number (formerly DUNS) is 18-845-0779 and the signed Certification Regarding Lobbying is enclosed.

We are requesting $4,475,015 at this time. We will develop the program narrative as follows:

Since January of 2015, Arkansas has been involved in a program of replacing all election equipment in the state with a new statewide-integrated election equipment system.
- Arkansas will develop the program narrative based upon the current equipment replacement program.
- At this time, Arkansas has replaced all equipment in 22 of its 75 counties and is under negotiation with an additional 15 counties to replace their equipment.
- Equipment is being replaced on an “as funding is available” basis and the EAC money will be dedicated towards this replacement schedule.
- All integrated election equipment systems are fully ADA compliant.
- Arkansas will provide a timeline detailing the program results to date and a projection of where and how the EAC funding will be utilized to maximize implementation of a statewide-integrated election system.
- The narrative will include a breakdown of funding to date.
On behalf of the citizens of the State of Arkansas, please accept my appreciation of the efforts by the U.S. Election Assistance Commission in both obtaining and managing the funding for improvement of the election process. This additional funding will go far in helping Arkansas complete our ongoing statewide-integrated election equipment upgrade program.

If you have any questions regarding this request, please contact Kelly Boyd, Chief Deputy Secretary of State at (501)-683-1441 or Kelly.boyd@sos.arkansas.gov.

Sincerely,

Mark Martin
Mark Martin, Secretary of State

Cc.
Mark Abbott, Director of Payments and Grants
To: US Election Assistance Commission

Certification Regarding Lobbying

Certification for Contracts, Grants, Loans, and Cooperative Agreements

The undersigned certifies, to the best of his or her knowledge and belief, that: (1) No Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid, by or on behalf of the undersigned, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of an agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the awarding of any Federal contract, the making of any Federal grant, the making of any Federal loan, the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement. (2) If any funds other than Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement, the undersigned shall complete and submit Standard Form-LLL, “Disclosure of Lobbying Activities,” in accordance with its instructions. (3) The undersigned shall require that the language of this certification be included in the award documents for all subawards at all tiers (including subcontracts, subgrants, and contracts under grants, loans, and cooperative agreements) and that all sub recipients shall certify and disclose accordingly. This certification is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was made or entered into. Submission of this certification is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction imposed by Section 1352, Title 31, U.S. Code. Any person who fails to file the required certification shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than $10,000 and not more than $100,000 for each such failure.

Mark Martin
NAME

Secretary of State
TITLE

State of Arkansas
ORGANIZATION

Mark Martin
SIGNATURE

4/25/2018
DATE

ii) Recipient integrity and performance matters. If the total Federal share of the Federal award may include more than $500,000 over the period of performance, the Federal awarding agency must include the term and condition available in Appendix XII—Award Term and Condition for Recipient Integrity and Performance Matters. See also 2 C.F.R. §200.113 Mandatory disclosures.