



STATE OF MINNESOTA
Office of Minnesota Secretary of State
Steve Simon

June 6, 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 Minnesota will use the funds provided under the Notice of Grant Award, Agreement # MN18101001, 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 803888098 and the signed Certification Regarding Lobbying is enclosed.

We are requesting \$6,595,610 at this time. We will develop the program narrative as follows: Minnesota state law, Minn. Stat. section 5.30, subdivision 2, requires that the Minnesota Legislature appropriate any federal funds received pursuant to HAVA, before they can be spent. The 2018 Legislature adjourned just before midnight on May 20, 2018, and will not reconvene until January 8, 2019. During the intervening time, it is my plan to convene a Working Group consisting of representatives of the various stakeholders in the election system to advise me in developing a plan that I will submit to the 2019 Legislature and which will address items including, but not limited to, cybersecurity needs in the Statewide Voter Registration System, general equipment needs, new and more accessible technology, and cybersecurity training for local election administrators.

If you have any questions about this request, please contact Bert Black, Legal Advisor at 651-201-1326 or Bert.Black@state.mn.us.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Steve Simon".

Steve Simon
Secretary of State of Minnesota

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 subrecipients 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.

Steve Siman
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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.