

December 15, 2025 Sent via email

Michael Santos, Director SLI Compliance 4720 Independence St. Wheat Ridge, CO 80033

Re: Approval of Hart Verity Vanguard 1.0 Test Report

Dear Michael Santos,

This correspondence is to inform you that Revision 05 of the test report submitted by SLI Compliance for the testing of the Hart Verity Vanguard 1.0 voting system has been reviewed and approved by the EAC. A test report is evaluated against criteria as specified in §4.10 and Appendix D of the EAC's Testing and Certification Program Manual and approved based on the information submitted. A final determination of the sufficiency of the testing is based on the test plan, test cases, test case artifacts, and test report.

As provided in §5.4 of the EAC's Voting System Testing and Certification Program Manual, for the HART Verity Vanguard 1.0 system to be issued a certification number and a Certificate of Conformance requires the manufacturer to provide additional documentation to the Program Director verifying that the trusted build has been performed, software has been deposited in an approved repository, and system identification tools are available to election officials. The manufacturer must submit a letter, signed by both its management representative and a SLI Compliance official, stating (under penalty of law) that it has:

- 1. Performed a trusted build consistent with the requirements of §4.8 of the EAC's Testing and Certification Program Manual;
- 2. Deposited software consistent with §5.3 of the EAC's Testing and Certification Program Manual;
- 3. Created and made available system identification tools consistent with §5.3 of the EAC's Testing and Certification Manual (a copy and description of the system identification tool developed must be provided with the letter); and
- 4. Upon a final decision to grant certification, the manufacturer accepts the certification and all conditions placed on the certification.

Upon receipt of documentation demonstrating the successful completion of the requirements above and recommendation of the Program Director, the Decision Authority must issue a final decision granting certification and providing Hart Intercivic with a certification number and Certificate of Conformance for Hart Verity Vanguard 1.0.

If you have any questions regarding the approval of the test report or need further information on the EAC's certification process, please contact the project manager or me. I thank you in advance for your time and attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

**Brooke Watters** 

Director, Voting System Testing and Certification

U.S. Election Assistance Commission

Cc: Hart Intercivic