

Advisory Board Resolution

U.S. Election Assistance Commission

Board of Advisors Meeting

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Phillip B. Stark – Resolution 1

Whereas:

(1) the EAC currently cannot certify individual components of a voting system because those components might not operate properly together, and therefore the EAC can certify only complete voting systems;

(2) the ability of jurisdictions to purchase individual components of voting systems would promote a more competitive market for voting systems;

(3) the ability to purchase individual components of voting systems would forestall obsolescence and give jurisdictions flexibility to upgrade portions of their voting systems more economically;

(4) the ability to certify individual components of a voting system requires developing and adopting interoperability standards and common data formats;

THEREFORE, the Board of Advisors urges the EAC to develop common data formats and interoperability standards for voting systems within the next twelve months, and to study the legal and technical feasibility of certifying individual components of voting systems.

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