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March 30, 2007

U.S. Election Assistance Commission
Attn: Edgardo Cortes
1225 New York Avenue, NW – Suite 1100
Washington, D.C. 20005

Dear Mr. Cortes:

Enclosed is the hard-copy report for Title II, Section 251 funds during the period from October 1, 2005 through September 30, 2006.

Should you have any questions, do not hesitate to contact me directly.

Thanks for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Frank Garcia, Jr.", is written over the typed name.

Frank Garcia, Jr.
Manager, Help America Vote Act

Enclosures

FINANCIAL STATUS REPORT

(Long Form)

(Follow instructions on the back)

1. Federal Agency and Organizational Element to Which Report is Submitted US ELECTION ASSISTANCE COMMISS	2. Federal Grant or Other Identifying Number Assigned By Federal Agency CFDA# 90.401 SECTION 251	OMB Approval No. 0348-0039	Page of 1 1 pages
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3. Recipient Organization (Name and complete address, including ZIP code)

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 255 CAPITOL ST NE STE 180, SALEM OR 97310

4. Employer Identification Number [REDACTED]	5. Recipient Account Number or Identifying Number [REDACTED]	6. Final Report <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	7. Basis <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Cash <input type="checkbox"/> Accrual
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8. Funding/Grant Period (See instructions) From: (Month, Day, Year) 10/1/2005	To: (Month, Day, Year) 9/30/2006	9. Period Covered by this Report From: (Month, Day, Year) 10/1/2005	To: (Month, Day, Year) 9/30/2006
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10. Transactions:	I Previously Reported	I This Period	III Cumulative
a. Total outlays	5,362,425.00	3,258,884.00	8,621,309.00
b. Refunds, rebates, etc.	0.00	0.00	0.00
c. Program income used in accordance with the deduction alternative	0.00	0.00	0.00
d. Net outlays (Line a, less the sum of lines b and c)	5,362,425.00	3,258,884.00	8,621,309.00

Recipient's share of net outlays, consisting of:

e. Third party (in-kind) contributions		0.00	0.00
f. Other Federal awards authorized to be used to match this award		0.00	0.00
g. Program income used in accordance with the matching or cost sharing alternative		0.00	0.00
h. All other recipient outlays not shown on lines e, f or g	268,125.00	334,545.00	602,670.00
i. Total recipient share of net outlays (Sum of lines e, f, g and h)	268,125.00	334,545.00	602,670.00

j. Federal share of net outlays (line d less line i)	5,094,300.00	2,924,339.00	8,018,639.00
k. Total unliquidated obligations			0.00
l. Recipient's share of unliquidated obligations			0.00
m. Federal share of unliquidated obligations			0.00
n. Total Federal share (sum of lines j and m)			8,018,639.00
o. Total Federal funds authorized for this funding period			28,137,320.00
p. Unobligated balance of Federal funds (Line o minus line n)			20,118,681.00

Program income, consisting of:

q. Disbursed program income shown on lines c and/or g above			0.00
r. Disbursed program income using the addition alternative			0.00
s. Undisbursed program income			0.00
t. Total program income realized (Sum of lines q, r and s)			0.00

11. Indirect	a. Type of Rate (Place "X" in appropriate box) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Provisional <input type="checkbox"/> Predetermined <input type="checkbox"/> Final <input type="checkbox"/> Fixed
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**OREGON SECRETARY OF STATE
REPORT ON EXPENDITURE OF TITLE II, SECTION 251 FUNDS
OCTOBER 2005 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 2006**

As requested by the U.S Election Assistance Commission, listed below is a detailed list of expenditures and a description of the related activities conducted by the Oregon Secretary of State utilizing Help America Vote Act (HAVA) Title II, Section 251 funds during the period from October 1, 2005 through September 30, 2006.

VOTING SYSTEM ACCESSIBILITY FOR THE DISABLED - \$274,590

In complying with requirements of Title III, Section 301 of the Help America Vote Act, Title II Funds were utilized to move forward with the development, procurement and the implementation of Accessible Ballot Marking System (ABMS) as an interim solution for meeting the HAVA mandate. This came about because of a legal dispute between the State of Oregon and Election Systems & Software (ES&S). In complying with HAVA, we established a system that is accessible for the disabled in a manner that provides the same opportunity for access and participation as for other voters (including privacy and independence) and designed around Oregon's unique vote by mail election requirements. IVS, LLC from Kentucky was hired to develop and implement the ABMS and implementation proceeded as scheduled and was in place as a pilot in ten (10) counties statewide for the May Primary Election in 2006. This program was implemented to all thirty-six (36) counties statewide for the November General Election in 2006. Title II funds utilized for this reporting period are \$274,590.

Reference to voting system accessibility for the disabled can be found in the HAVA State Plan on pages 12-13, 16-17, and on pages 40, 43 and 45.

STATEWIDE VOTER REGISTRATION LIST - \$2.2 Million

In complying with requirements of Title III, Section 303 of the Help America Vote Act, Title II Funds were utilized to move forward with the development, procurement and the implementation of a Centralized Voter Registration System (OCVR). In compliance with HAVA and as stated in the Oregon Election Plan, we established a single statewide voter registration database with integrated election management capabilities available for all 36 counties and the Secretary of State's office and designed around Oregon's unique vote by mail election requirements. Oregon's Saber Consulting was hired to develop and implement the Central Voter Registration System and the implementation proceeded as scheduled. Oregon applied to the Office of Election Administration for a waiver, extending our state's compliance date to January 1, 2006. Title II funds utilized for this reporting period are \$2.2 Million.

Reference to the statewide voter registration system can be found in the HAVA State Plan on pages 21-22 and on pages 41 and 43.

ELECTIONS ADMINISTRATION - \$604,279

Five (5) employees were responsible for managing the implementation of HAVA and OCVR. These five employees work with a series of committees representing election officials and public members representing community organizations concerned with voter participation. Title II funds utilized for this reporting period are \$452,689.

Associated operational costs for HAVA include rent, postage, telecommunication, office supplies, data processing supplies, consulting services, PC Hardware, and legal fees. Title II funds utilized for this reporting period are \$129,884.

Reference to HAVA and Plan Management and oversight can be found in the HAVA State Plan on page 44.

An additional program that improved the administration of elections for Federal office were the changes and re-design of our voter registration forms because of the new identification requirements for voters who register by mail and who have not previously voted in an election for federal office. These changes required us to update and re-design all our voter education materials. Both voter registration forms and voter education materials were provided in both English and Spanish. Additional printing of these materials was required. Title II funds utilized for this reporting period are \$21,706.

Reference to voter identification requirements can be found in the HAVA State Plan on page 22.

PROVISIONAL VOTING - \$46,588

In complying with requirements of Title III, Section 302 of the Help America Vote Act, Title II Funds were utilized to maintain and manage Oregon's Toll-Free Line, 1.866.ORE.VOTES/673.8683. This toll-free hotline allows voters to report possible voting fraud and voting rights violations, check the outcome of their provisional ballot, to obtain general election information, and to access detailed automated information on their own voter registration status, specified drop-site locations, and other relevant information. The toll-free line is available Monday-Friday from 8:00 AM – 5:00 PM with representatives providing services in both English and Spanish. TTY services for the hearing impaired are also available at 1-866-350-0596. Voters can also be connected to their County Elections office or to the Secretary of State's Elections Division. Title II funds utilized for this purpose in this reporting period are \$38,214.

Additionally, as an educational tool, we developed an insert that provides instructions on voting a ballot, reviewing a ballot, reasons for requesting a replacement ballot and returning your ballot in an effort to reduce voting errors and provisional voting. The insert also doubles as a poster and they are posted at polling locations throughout the state. Title II funds utilized for this purpose in this reporting period are \$8,374.

Reference to Provisional Voting can be found in the HAVA State Plan on page 18.

VOTER EDUCATION/ALTERNATIVE FORMAT OUTREACH - \$60,465

In complying with the requirements of Title III of the Help America Voter Act, Title II Funds were utilized to educate voters concerning voting access, voting procedures, voting rights, voting technology and providing effective customer service to the disability community. The alternative formats ranged from Large Print and Spanish Language Voter Registration Cards and "Voting In Oregon Guides;" to Audio, On-Line, "Easy To Read," Large Print, Spanish Language and Braille Voter Guides; to Bilingual Billboards and Radio Advertising. Title II funds utilized for this reporting period are \$60,465.

Reference to Voter Education can be found in the HAVA State Plan on pages 32 – 34.

INTEREST ACCRUED - \$961,374

During the current reporting period the Oregon Secretary of State invested Title II, Section 251 funds and accrued Interest in the amount of \$961,374.

STATE MATCHING FUNDS, INTEREST ACCRUED - \$25,020

During the current reporting period the Oregon Secretary of State invested State Matching Funds and accrued Interest in the amount of \$25,020.