U. S. ELECTION ASSISTANCE COMMISSION
VOTING SYSTEM TESTING AND CERTIFICATION PROGRAM
1225 New York Avenue, NW, Suite 1100
Washington, DC. 20005

November 18, 2008

Ms. Sue L. Munguia
Director of Certification
Election Systems and Software (ES&S)
11208 John Galt Boulevard
Omaha, NE 68137

Dear Ms. Munguia,

We are in receipt of your October 31, 2008 letter (attached) regarding your request to change the lead Voting System Test Laboratory from SysTest Laboratories (SysTest) to iBeta Quality Assurance (iBeta). As you note in your letter the EAC has recently suspend SysTest Laboratories, Inc., due to the suspension of its accreditation by the National Voluntary Laboratory Accreditation Program (NVLAP). Section 4.3.1.2. of the EAC's *Voting System Testing and Certification Program Manual* allows the Program Director of the EAC to grant permission to a manufacturer to change VSTL's when good cause is shown for the change. This decision is at the sole discretion of the Program Director and is made after careful consideration of the facts leading to the request.

In this case, SysTest has been suspended by both NVLAP and the EAC. Because of this suspension, SysTest is not currently eligible to test voting systems under the EAC's program. Given these facts I find that there is good cause to allow Election Solutions & Software (ES&S) to change the lead VSTL responsible for the testing of the Unity 3.2.0.0 voting system from SysTest Laboratories to iBeta Quality Assurance. Your amended application for testing has been accepted and the testing record will reflect this change of VSTL.

Please be aware that per section 4.3.1.2. iBeta Quality Assurance is now the lead VSTL responsible for the testing of the Unity 3.2.0.0 system and as such cannot be changed as the lead VSTL without the express written permission of the EAC Program Director.

Please let me know if you have any further questions. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Brian J. Hancock
Director, Testing and Certification

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October 31, 2008

Testing and Certification Program Director
U.S. Election Assistance Commission
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Dear Program Director:

With respect to the Election Assistance Commission's recent decision to suspend the accreditation of SysTest Laboratories, Inc., Election Systems & Software respectfully requests the EAC to accept our request to change the lead VSTL for the remainder of the certification testing for Unity 3.2.0.0 submitted on March 19, 2007 and assigned application number ESS0701.

ES&S has selected iBeta Quality Assurance as their choice for lead VSTL for this effort. Enclosed with this letter, please find our amended Voting System Certification application reflecting this proposed VSTL change.

Respectfully:

Sue L. Munguia
Director of Certification

U.S. Election Assistance Commission

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Application for Voting System Testing

OMB Control # 3265-0004

1. **Manufacturer Name:** Election Systems & Software, Inc.

2. **Manufacturer Code:** ESS

3. **Version of Standards to be Used for Testing:** 2002

4. **Voting System Name:** Unity 3.2.0.0

5. **System Model/Version Number:** Unity 3.2.0.0

6. **EAC Accredited VSTL:** iBeta

7. **Requested EAC Certification number:** ESSUnity3200

8. **Brief Description of System or system modification:** Election Management System and Tabulation (see attached form of modules)

Signature: Sue L Murguia

Date: Oct 29, 2008

Unity 3.2.0.0

Audit Manager – 7.5.0.0

Election Data Manager – 7.8.0.0

ESS Image Manager – 7.7.0.0

Hardware Programming Manager – 5.7.0.0

Election Reporting Manager – 7.5.2.0

AutoMARK Information Management System – 1.3.57

AutoMARK – 1.3.2904

DS200 – 1.3.7.0

Model 650 – 2.2.1.0