HAVA COMPLIANCE UPDATE

Activities & Progress for the Week of 01/19-01/25/08

Following is a detailed report concerning the previous week’s progress in implementing the terms of the Court’s Orders.

PLAN A

Overall Compliance Status Summary

Overall, activities and progress toward HAVA compliance are on schedule per the project timeline for Plan A.

Contracting with Voting System Vendors

Status of tasks in this category: on schedule

- Contracts delivered by OGS to OSC, for approval.
- Contracts delivered by OGS to the Office of the Attorney General, for approval.
- Contracts approved by Office of the Attorney General.

Testing, Certification, and Selection of Voting Systems & Devices

Status of tasks in this category: on schedule

- Conducted weekly conference call meeting with SysTest, to review status of testing.


Delivery and Implementation of Voting Systems & Devices

Status of tasks in this category: n/a

- Discussions continue with Kelly Services concerning their provision of temporary contract staff to support statewide acceptance testing.
Additional Relevant Updates

- Presented “Pollworker Online Training” presentation to educate NYS Election Commissioners’ Association at Annual Winter Conference.

PLAN B

Overall Compliance Status Summary

Overall, activities and progress toward HAVA compliance are on schedule per the project timeline for Plan B.

Contracting with Voting System Vendors
Status of tasks in this category: on schedule

- On 1/22/08, OGS conducted informational session with vendors to discuss County Board procedures for placement of Ballot Marking Device (BMD) orders.
- Contracts delivered by OGS to OSC for approval.
- Contracts delivered by OGS to the Office of the Attorney General for approval.
- Contracts approved by Office of the Attorney General.
- On January 24th, the Commissioners of the Board of Elections voted to approve BMDs to be offered to the Counties for ordering: Image Cast, (a/k/a Dominion DemocracySuite), as put forth by Sequoia; ES & S Automark, pending approval of a firmware modification, and Premier Automark, pending approval of a firmware modification.

Testing, Certification, and Selection of Voting Systems & Devices
Status of tasks in this category: on schedule

- Received and are reviewing ballot marking device testing matrix as provided by SysTest.
- Conducted weekly conference call meeting with SysTest, to review status of testing.
- Advocates for the disabled reviewed all six submitted ballot marking devices on Friday 1/18 and Monday 1/21.
• SysTest provided its Communications Plan as part of Deliverable 1 on 1/21.
• SysTest provided cost estimates for the testing of BMDs.

Delivery and Implementation of Voting Systems & Devices
Status of tasks in this category: on schedule

• Continued development of proposed test deck and procedures to be utilized in acceptance testing of logic & accuracy of BMDs.
• Continued planning discussions with Kelly Services concerning their provision of temporary contract staff to support statewide acceptance testing.
• Continued to refine documentation relating to the conduct of acceptance testing of Plan B devices.
• On 1/24/08, County Board Commissioners were provided with the OGS ordering procedure, related forms for County use, and price lists, to begin their selection/ordering process. Counties were advised to forward orders to OGS by February 1st in order for OGS to aggregate orders and work to obtain the best price from the vendor. Counties were advised that the last date to submit orders is February 8th. The Commissioners set February 11th as the next Board Meeting date and will be prepared on that date to select BMDs for those counties who failed to submit orders.
• On 1/24/08, board staff conducted a presentation for County Board Commissioners information regarding proper storage of voting systems and guidance in selecting storage facilities.
• Continued work on analysis of BMDs, relating to issues such as functionality, ease of use, and acquisition and operating costs, to be compiled, then shared with County Boards of Elections.

Additional Relevant Updates

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