

U. S. ELECTION ASSISTANCE COMMISSION

VOTING SYSTEM TESTING AND CERTIFICATION PROGRAM
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November 10, 2008

Chris Ortiz, Director, Business Development Unisyn Voting Solutions 2310 Cousteau Court Vista, CA 92081

Re: Request to Change VSTL

Dear Mr. Chris Ortiz,

We are in receipt of your November 6, 2008, letter (attached) regarding your request to change the lead Voting System Test Laboratory (VSTL) from SysTest Laboratories (SysTest) to Wyle Laboratories (Wyle). As noted in your letter, the EAC has suspended SysTest as a result of suspension of the laboratory's accreditation by NIST/NVLAP. Section 4.3.1.2 of the EAC's *Voting System Testing and Certification Program Manual* allows the EAC's Testing and Certification Program Director 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 NVLAP and the EAC, and it 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 Unisyn Voting Solutions to change the lead VSTL responsible for the testing of the Unisyn OpenElect Voting System 1.0 from SysTest Laboratories to Wyle Laboratories. 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 Wyle Laboratories is now the lead VSTL responsible for the testing of the Unisyn OpenElect Voting System 1.0, 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