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Mr. Brian Hancock
Testing and Certification Program Director
U.S. Election Assistance Commission
1225 New York Avenue, NW, Suite 1100
Washington, D.C 20005

Re: ES&S Unity 3.3.0.0 Application Withdrawal

Dear Mr. Hancock:

This letter is to inform you ES&S is withdrawing our application for certification of Unity 3.3.0.0 previously approved by your office on July 28, 2011 as application ESS1102.

We ask all testing activities cease on this release effective immediately and all Test Plan, test case, and test results are incorporated into the Unity 3.4.0.0 testing and certification efforts with Wyle Laboratories.

This request is part of an overall plan recently approved by your office of combining EAC/VSTL active test campaigns for Unity 3.2.0.0 Rev 2, Unity 3.2.1.0 Rev 1, Unity 3.3.0.0, and Unity 3.4.0.0 into one release and one EAC/VSTL test process for certification. The combined Unity 3.4.0.0 system application was granted EAC approval for testing on November 17, 2011.

In addition to various new features, the combined Unity 3.4.0.0 release addresses two specific EAC System Advisory Notices for Unity 3.2.1.0 and listed on the EAC website. We believe the merging of these various releases and test campaigns offers a simpler and more manageable means for completing the remaining testing as well as a clearer product release plan for the EAC and jurisdictions to understand.

Thank you and please let us know if you have further questions.

Sincerely,

Steve M. Pearson
Vice President, Certification

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