

EAC Testing/Certification Program E-Newsletter

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EAC CALENDAR & GENERAL INFORMATION

Make sure to visit the [EAC's Calendar](#) for the latest EAC events and updates.

Next EAC public meeting: 2/4/09, Washington, DC...[more information](#)

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COST OF TESTING & INTEGRATED TESTING INITIATIVE MEETING

The Certification Program meeting on the Cost of Testing and Integrated Testing Initiative will be taking place on Jan 29th & 30th, 2009, in Miami, FL. The meeting will take place at [The Miami Beach Resort & Spa](#) from 9:00am to 5:00pm each day. To view the final agenda, [please click here](#). If you would like to view the list of confirmed attendees, [please click here](#).

USEFUL LINKS

- [Registered Manufacturers](#)
- [Voting System Test Laboratories Program Manual](#)
- [Voting System Testing & Certification Manual](#)
- [Voluntary Voting System Guidelines](#)
- [Requirements Matrix V.5.2](#)
- [Testing & Certification Correspondence](#)

UOCAVA GUIDELINES

NIST recently released a report on UOCAVA voting practices and security. The EAC and NIST are currently working on scheduling the next the steps for the creation of guidance on remote voting for UOCAVA voters.

REQUEST FOR INTERPRETATION (RFI)

To view all of the RFIs published by the EAC, please visit the [Interpretations](#) section of the Certification Program Web site.

[2008-12: Ballot marking Device/ Scope of Testing](#)

-Sections of Standards:

- 2005 VVSG Volume1: 2.1.5. System Audit
- 2005 VVSG Volume1: 2.1.5.2 Shared Computing Platform

NOTICE OF CLARIFICATION (NOC)

To view all of the NOCs published by the EAC, please visit the [Notice of Clarifications](#) section of the Certification Program Web site.

[NOC 08-002: EAC Mark of Certification](#)

[NOC 08-003: EAC Conformance Testing Requirements](#)

VVSG

EAC staff continues to work with NIST on the revision to the 2005 VVSG. Currently public comments to the sections of the 2007 TGDC draft recommendations to be incorporated into the 2005 VVSG revision are being resolved. After that process is complete, staff will begin the work of incorporating those sections into the 2005 VVSG and formatting the document to release for public comment.

THREAT ASSESSMENT

The Risk Assessment team held a meeting on January 14, 2009, with its review board to go over the progress of Phase I of the product. The review board offered good comments and the risk assessment team is working to incorporate the comments into the models that have been developed. In the near future both EAC Boards will be given opportunity to comment on Phase I of the project and Phase II will begin.

VOTING SYSTEM UPDATES

- **1/16/2009** – EAC provided iBeta Quality Assurance a [response](#) regarding the reuse of prior testing conducted by SysTest Laboratories for Premier's Assure 1.2 voting system.
- **1/5/2009** – Unisyn Voting Solutions requested the termination of the testing application for its Election Management System Suite V.3.0 to the 2002 VSS. The request was approved by the EAC on 1/7/2009.
- **12/31/2008** – EAC made an [initial decision on certification](#) regarding MicroVote's Election Management System V.4.0. The EAC is awaiting receipt and review of additional manufacturer documentation before proceeding with making an agency decision to grant certification.
- **12/16/2008** – EAC [approved](#) Avante's Optical Vote-Trakker (EVC308-OVT/1.9.0) application package for testing to the 2005 VVSG. The lead VSTL for this engagement is Wyle Laboratories.

For a list of all voting systems currently applying for certification, please [go here](#).

VOTING SYSTEM CLEARINGHOUSE

As part of EAC's clearinghouse responsibilities under Section 202 of the [Help America Vote Act](#), the commission adopted a [policy](#) authorizing staff to post and distribute voting system reports and studies that have been conducted or commissioned by a state or local government. Make sure to visit the [Voting System Reports Clearinghouse](#).