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Dear Commissioners:

There has been concern expressed with the existing Plan A time line requirement that Boards of Elections make their preferences for a machine prior to a complete certification process. The Commissioners of the State Board of Elections have determined that there will be no requirement to make a preference until all usability and functional testing has been completed, and the State board has established the maximum number of voters to be assigned to each voting machine. Based on our current projected schedule, this testing should be completed by December 4<sup>th</sup> and the State Board is now contemplating county selection by December 21<sup>st</sup>. We expect to have further information about dates at the upcoming seminars.

Sincerely,

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