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Subject: Voting Equipment Demonstration for the Legislature

As discussed with our committee staff, Ben Christensen, Policy Analyst, and Eric Weeks, Associate General Counsel, on Thursday, March 31, 2005, you are invited to provide a voting system demonstration to members of the Government Operations Interim Committee on April 20, 2005 in the House Building, Utah State Capitol Complex. The meeting will be in Room W130 but the demonstration will be in room W140. Please have your equipment set up in Room W140 prior to the meeting which starts at 8:00 a.m.

The Committee requests that your involvement consist of:

- 1. providing hands-on demonstration that will allow committee members to see and use both the direct recording electronic device and optical scanning device on a mock ballot;
- 2. answering questions of committee members following the demonstration; and
- 3. if possible, allowing other members of the Legislature the opportunity to try the devices and to ask questions for the remainder of the day until 4:00 p.m.

Attached is copy of the agenda.

The purpose of this "demonstration/question and answer session" is to allow state legislators to have a first hand experience with the devices and help them as they:

- address questions from citizens on this vital issue; and
- perform their legislative oversight role which includes specific responsibility for state procedures and election law, including enacting and modifying laws related to voting equipment use and supplemental funding for voting equipment.

Your participation on April 20 is voluntary and is not part of the current selection or RFP process. Members of the Legislature do not have a role in the current selection process. Therefore, the Committee requests that your responses focus on the use and application of the equipment rather than a sales presentation.

Please confirm whether or not you will participate with our committee staff. If you have any questions about this demonstration please contact Ben Christensen or Eric Weeks at (801) 538-1032.

Sincerely,

Douglas C. Aagard, House Chair Government Operations Interim Committee Parley Hellewell, Senate Chair Government Operations Interim Committee