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MEMORANDUM

TO: Depository Librarian

FROM: National Clearinghouse on Election Administration
Federal Election Commission

SUBJECT: Voting System Standards

The enclosed package contains the following four documents:

- o Performance and Test Standards for Punchcard, Marksense, and Direct Recording Electronic Voting Systems (January 1990 edition, with April 1990 revisions);
- o A Plan for Implementing the FEC Voting System Standards (January 1990 edition, with April 1990 revisions);
- o System Escrow Plan for the Voting System Standards Program (January 1990 edition, with April 1990 revisions); and
- o A Process for Evaluating Independent Test Authorities (January 1990 edition).

These documents should be filed together in one notebook.

The first document presents voluntary performance and testing standards for computer-based voting systems. These standards may be implemented by state or local jurisdictions and by vendors of voting equipment to increase the accuracy and reliability of voting systems used by the public. The other three documents discuss various aspects of implementing the standards program. All four were produced by the Federal Election Commission's National Clearinghouse on Election Administration and formally approved by the Commission.

The Commission anticipates that technological changes and questions that arise during the implementation of the standards will force regular, though probably infrequent, revisions to these documents. Revised pages and insert instructions will be provided to you as changes are made and approved by the Commission.

Enclosures

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