

**NASED Advisory
On
Voting Systems Testing Updates**

TO: Voting Systems Manufacturers
 State Election Directors
 Local Election Officials

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As a recommendation to the National Association of State Election Directors (NASED) for approval at their February meeting, the NASED Voting Systems Board adopted the following procedures related to testing by Independent Testing Authorities (ITA) for NASED Qualified Testing:

- All testing of any changes to any voting system previously qualified by NASED or entering testing after January 8, 2003, will be to the 2002 Voting Systems Standards (VSS) as approved by the Federal Election Commission.
- Any modification of pre-existing systems will still be considered 1990 Voting Systems Standards systems. Modifications made to any 1990 standards units as qualified by NASED will be recognized by NASED through January, 1, 2005.
- After January 1, 2005, NASED will no longer offer ITA testing for revisions to any voting system approved prior to the use 2002 Voting Systems Standards.
- After January 1, 2005, any revisions which do not make the voting system totally compliant with the 2002 VSS become non-qualified under the national testing program.

Adopted as recommendations by NASED Voting Systems Board to NASED on 1-7-2003 and subsequently adopted by NASED, February 2003.