NASED Advisory on
Voting Systems Testing Updates:
April 2005 Addendum

TO: Voting System Manufacturers
     State Election Officials

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At the February, 2003 meeting of the National Association of State Election Directors (NASED), the Voting Systems Board adopted a number of procedures related to voting system testing by NASED accredited Independent Test Authorities (ITA). The last two of these procedures took effect as of January 1, 2005 and stated that:

- 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.

This addendum serves only as clarification of these procedures and in no way diminishes or negates the effect of any procedure adopted in February 2003.

In order to accommodate new devices which may interface with either 2002 or 1990 qualified voting systems with the goal of making those systems HAVA compliant, NASED adds the following statement to the 2003 Testing Update document:

- After January 1, 2005, only those new devices not currently a part, package or upgrade to an existing 1990 qualified voting system may be tested for qualification with such voting system. These devices must be tested and meet the 2002 Voting Systems Standards and no other portion of a previously 1990 qualified system may be altered or upgraded to accept this device.

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