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SECRETARY OF STATE  
State of West Virginia

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Mr. Kevin Maynus  
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Dear Kevin:

According to office records, you served as a member of West Virginia's State HAVA Plan Advisory Committee, as appointed by then-Secretary of State Joe Manchin. I have not yet made any new appointments to this committee, and I would be pleased to ask you to consider serving until further notice.

As you may be aware, this office is heading into the final phases of procuring for the counties of West Virginia those voting machines that will bring our counties into compliance with The Help America Vote Act of 2002 ("HAVA"). Because HAVA was only a partially-funded mandate, my decision is to supply each county with a high-speed optical scan system and also the mandatory ADA-compliant electronic system for every voting precinct, at no cost to any county. (Those counties that wish to add their own monies to buy additional types of machines may do so.)

We will also maintain a HAVA Revolving Loan Fund that counties may use (hopefully) in perpetuity, at zero percent interest, to upgrade their machines in later years. The pay-back period on these loans is five years.

I am attaching to the original 2003 State HAVA Plan the RFP (Request for Proposal), all Addenda thereto, and the Revolving Loan Fund rules, so that they will be a permanent part of our State Plan. Under HAVA Sections 255 and 256, we will publish notice of this action in the State Register for 30 days, after which time we will send notice to the U.S. Elections Assistance Committee to have our State Plan published in the Federal Register. It is my understanding that the notice, copy of which is attached, will be published in this Friday's State Register (August 19, 2005).

Please call me if you have questions on this matter, or wish to discuss the State HAVA Plan with me or with any of our staff. Thank you for continuing to serve.

Most sincerely,

  
Betty Ireland

Enclosure

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