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## Memorandum

To: County Elections Directors

From: Johnnie McLean Deputy Director

Dear Directors,

As stated in an earlier email outlining the RFP process, the State Board of Elections will designate district locations for demonstrations of certified voting systems to take place in December, 2005. Each County Board of Elections is required to review at least two voting system types.

Senate Bill 223, Section 4(a)(1) states the following:

## SECTION 4. Effective August 1, 2005, G.S. 163-165.9 reads as rewritten:

- "§ 163-165.9. Voting systems: powers and duties of county board of elections.
- (a) Before approving the adoption and purchase or lease acquisition of any voting system by the board of county commissioners, the county board of elections shall do all of the following:
  - (1) Obtain a current financial statement from the proposed vendor or lessor of the voting system and send copies of the statement to the county attorney and the chief county financial officer. Recommend to the board of county commissioners which type of voting system should be acquired by the county.
  - (2) Witness a demonstration, in that county or at a site designated by the State Board of Elections, of the type of voting system to be recommended by the proposed vendor or lessor and also witness a demonstration of at least one other type of voting system approved certified by the State Board of Elections.

The State Board has tentatively scheduled 4 regional voting equipment demonstrations at the following locations:

Fayetteville Technical Community College – December 12<sup>th</sup>, 2005 Willis Building Auditorium in Greenville – December 13<sup>th</sup>, 2005 Marriott in downtown Greensboro – December 14<sup>th</sup>, 2005 Asheville-Buncombe Technical Community College – December 15<sup>th</sup>, 2005

All demonstrations will begin at 2:00 pm and end at 7:00 pm. Additional details to follow at a later date.

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