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Re: Agenda Item #15: Election Integrity Commission Annual Report 2023

Greetings, Pima County board members,

We the people of Arizona and legal citizens of America deserve accountability, accuracy, Security, and transparency in elections. As you all know, I've sent you evidence a year ago, Dr. Daugherity evaluated Pima county's cast vote records and found that an algorithm was deployed. He testified that it determines the voting outcomes like a cruise control.

We are asking County Election directors to start restoring trust in elections by holding elections without machines in small precincts (1,000-1,200 eligible voters) for one day voting, as guaranteed in the US Constitution. We want paper ballots and hand counting at the precinct level immediately following an election. This can be accomplished in multiple 8-hour shifts until results are determined.

Arizonans demand a ban on election machines in their county and state due to security threats being telegraphed by Cyber Security agencies in the US, Canada, United Kingdom and New Zeeland. 1/31/24: https://www.c-span.org/video/?533196-1/select-committee-hearing-chinas-cyber-threat-us 3/17/2024: https://www.c-span.org/video/?526750-1/hearing-cybersecurity-risks-health-care

Professor J. Alex Halderman, Justice Gabelman, Lt Col. Shawn A. Smith, Dr. Walter Daugherity, and many others have provided evidence that voting machines are unsafe and unsecure! They can be easily hacked.

Col. John Mills, "every voting machine and tabulator can be hacked within 1-7 minutes, in person or remotely, altering vote tallies without detection; if a machine plugs into a wall, regardless of internet connectivity, an intrusion is easy."

CISA announced, that "State and Government websites have been accessed by domestic and foreign hacking including the central tally of votes and, intrusions like this, are often not discovered for a year or more with most virtually undetectable." Mandiant reported to CISA that a Chinese hacker group APT1 stole 6.5 terabytes of compressed intellectual property (IP) data from Pima County. That's the equivalent of 26 million books in the library of Congress, per Lt. Col. Shawn A. Smith. (SolarWinds hack in Pima county. CISA was oblivious to the hack, falsely claiming "it was the most secure election in the history of elections." Mandiant reported it to CISA. Our personal data has been exposed to the world for 10 months in 2020.)

Add to this, the Arizona SOS Equipment Certification Advisory Committee's minutes reveal (see below) that our machines have been tested last May to 2005 VVSG 1.0 standards, not to 2015 VVSG 1.1, or 2021 VVSG 2.0 standards. https://azsos.gov/elections/about-elections/elections-procedures/voting-equipment Why was our election equipment and software tested to nearly 20-year-old standards?

The meeting minutes are evidence that the election systems should not have been certified. They cannot conform to FEC and HAVA 2002's 3.2.1 Accuracy Requirement standards and did not meet the minimum nor the maximum standard rate of error during testing!

#### 3.2.1 Accuracy Requirements

For testing purposes, the acceptable error rate is defined using two parameters: the desired error rate to be achieved, and the maximum error rate that should be accepted by the test process. For each processing function indicated above, the system shall achieve a target error rate of no more than one in 10,000,000 ballot positions, with a maximum acceptable error rate in the test process of one in 500,000 ballot positions.

The Help America Vote Act of 2002 mandates that a certified system "will yield the most accurate, secure, and expeditious system for voting and tabulating election results."

Also, machine manufacturers often deceptively display the EAC certificate in their brochure while offering "optional" modems, wireless, or Bluetooth capabilities to election offices. Those technologies are not and have not been tested nor certified by the EAC. Any "optional" use of modems, wireless or Bluetooth will de-certify the entire election system!

Transcribed from the approved minutes that can be found here: https://azsos.gov/elections/about-elections/elections-procedures/voting-equipment

Secretary of State Equipment Certification Advisory Committee Approved Meeting Minutes of May 19, 2023 Committee: Tonia Tunnell, Peter Silverman, ESQ., Dr. Michael Marcellin State certification of the Election Systems & Software (ES&S) EVS 6.3.0.0 Voting System Sarah Herman, State Certification Manager, ES&S, Secretary of State Adrian Fontes Equipment and Software tests were done to 2005 VVSG 1.0 standards

### Per Meeting minutes:

DS200 tabulator, repeated paper jams, triggering alerts. –Mr. Silverman Over votes and under votes had to be adjudicated at end of test. - Ryan Macias Adjudication of over or undervotes cannot be done at voting center, must be done at Central Count. Overvote would reflect an undervote instead of an overvote in the final count -Dr. Marcellin Machine was not programmed to detect over votes – Chair, Tonia Tunnell, Az SOS office Machine can read 27 languages, English, Spanish, Hopi and Navajo, Chinese, not German. Some write-in votes were counted, others were not (no party affiliation, programming issue) Write-in votes are counted after close of polls, in the EMS system during adjudication at Central Count. Problem with school district marking, did not mark two contests accurately.

Ballots were counted incorrectly according to the test script but supposedly counted them correctly. School board race errors in split precincts, attributed to human error.

## Overvote cast for State Senate, did not record overvote!

Republican US Senate & Republican US Representative races need to be examined via precinct report. Who will do that in the 2024 election? We do not trust anyone in the election office nor in the recorders.

Let's restore traditional elections without machines, verified by hand-count, paper ballot, in-person, at precinct elections. Help Arizona make history and be the first state to end the tyranny of hackable

electronic machines, who were <u>invented for gambling</u>. Machines prevent citizens from transparency and overseeing their election process as guaranteed in the US Constitution. We should not be gambling with machines that corrupt the voting process and disguise true voter intent. Precinct voting on election day eliminates signature verification. Hand counting elections are also simple, reliable, and affordable.

Please place elections back into the hands of Arizonans in your county today! For God and Country.

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