

Technical Guidelines Development Committee

March 22-23, 2007, Plenary Meeting

Resolution 01-07 (As Amended)

Offered by: Whitney Quesenbery

Title: Accessibility of Paper-based Voter Verification Requirement

It is the recommendation that the TGDC accept the following language as a voting system requirement:

- If the accessible voting station (Acc-VS) generates a paper record (or some other durable, human-readable record) for the purpose of allowing voters to verify their ballot choices, then the system shall provide a mechanism that can read that record and generate an audio representation of its contents. The use of this mechanism shall be accessible to voters with dexterity disabilities.

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Resolution 02 -07 Offered by Dan Schutzer

Title: Improving Paper Records

- Whereas, the TGDC recognizes that paper rolls can be a challenge for voters, poll workers, and audits:
 - They can be difficult to handle in an audit or recount,
 - The voting order preserved on the roll can be a danger to ballot secrecy if good election management processes are not followed, and
 - It can be difficult to make them accessible for blind, low vision, low literacy, second language, or non-written language voters.
- Whereas, therefore, the TGDC has determined that the current paper roll solution is acceptable until an alternative, new technology becomes available, and
- Resolved: The TGDC directs the subcommittees to develop more demanding requirements for future paper audit trails that can solve the problems posed by today's paper rolls.