

## SOLE SOURCE DETERMINATION

The Purchasing Division has been requested to approve a sole source purchase for the commodity or service described below. Pursuant to West Virginia Code 5A-3-10c, the Purchasing Division is attempting to determine whether the commodity or service is a sole source procurement. If you believe your company meets the required experience and qualification criteria stated below, please e-mail the Purchasing Division Buyer at [Ron.N.Price@wv.gov](mailto:Ron.N.Price@wv.gov) with a copy to [Karen.O.Byrd@wv.gov](mailto:Karen.O.Byrd@wv.gov) to express your interest in the project. Please forward any and all information that will support your company's compliance with required qualification and eligibility criteria along with any other pertinent information relative to this project to the Purchasing Division no later than 2/8/08.

Requisition Number: SOS19308      Department/Agency: Secretary of State

Detailed Description of Project: The Secretary of State's Office is wanting to provide the state's voters with a method of determining the appropriate precinct for voting at each polling location throughout the state. In order to do so, an electronic poll book can be purchased and placed in each polling location. The electronic poll book will allow the poll workers to review each voters file before checking the voter in to confirm that the voter is voting in the correct precinct. This will reduce the number of provisional ballots cast throughout the state.

To provide this to the counties, the Secretary of State would like to purchase approximately 150 electronic poll books to provide for a pilot project with five to ten counties. This pilot project will allow each selected county to utilize the poll book during the May 2008 Primary Election. If successful, the counties and any additional counties would be responsible for purchasing additional machines. The poll books purchased by the state would be provided to the counties on loan as each county transition into the project.

To create a seamless technology that will allow the entire election system to communicate among itself in the polling location, it is important that the electronic poll books be compatible and work with the current electronic voting system.

Proposed Sole Source Vendor:

Election Systems & Software  
11208 John Galt Boulevard  
Omaha, NE 68137

Specific Eligibility Criteria:

Provide approximately 150 electronic poll books for a pilot project in 5 – 10 counties.

Provide vendor certified support for vendor specific hardware and software.

Provide seamless technology in each precinct with all voting equipment.

Provide programs similar to those in use in Texas and Virginia.

Specific Qualification Criteria:

Provide a pilot program of approximately 150 electronic poll books for precincts throughout the state. Each poll book shall provide a check in service for voters that verify the following:

- Name
- Date of birth
- Party registration
- Date of registration
- Signature
- Physical address
- Mailing address
- Precinct location

Once the voter has been identified, a signature comparison must be done in accordance with state law. The poll book must maintain a copy of each voter's signature in the storage of the unit. The poll book should have a signature pad that allows the voter to sign directly on the equipment which will then allow the poll book to display the signature to the poll worker who will then compare the signature to the one on file.

The poll book must have print capabilities and must be able to interact with the current voting equipment on file. It is necessary to provide a seamless integration between the poll book and the Election System and Software voting equipment currently in use with the state. If in the future the county would so choose to initiate the Personal Electronic Ballot utilizing the poll book, the poll book shall be capable of doing so.

The vendor must be able to support the voting equipment at the time of implementation and throughout the pilot.

Once the pilot is complete, the prices offered through this agreement shall be offered to each of the counties who choose to continue the program and implement the poll book countywide.