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Subject: RULE 45 input for public hearing: paper record of election

For posting prior to the 9:00 AM deadline, 1/7/10.

Dear Andrea,

We have to agree with Harvie Branscomb that the method of revising the rules, which deleted the committee of knowledgeable Colorado citizens, is not the method we would choose.

One rule in particular has caught our attention:

45.5.2.98.9 The paper record shall be considered an official record of the election available for recounts, and shall be sturdy, clean, and of sufficient durability to be used for this purpose.

The highest standard for election integrity would indicate that "an official record" should be revised to "the official record" when referring to paper records of votes. We look forward to the day when Colorado adopts this standard. Please ask the Secretary of State and his office to support this key aspect of election transparency.

Sincerely,

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