

# The State of Texas



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Secretary of State

August 25, 2018

Bridgette Escobedo  
Election Administrator  
Bastrop County  
804 Pecan Street  
Bastrop, Texas 78602

Dear Ms. Escobedo:

We are in receipt of a copy of the proposed contract between Bastrop County and Election Systems & Software ("ES&S"), which you have submitted to the Secretary of State pursuant to Section 123.035 of the Texas Election Code.

The contract indicates the county plans to acquire ES&S's EVS 5.4.0.0 which includes the ExpressVote ballot marking device to be used in conjunction with the DS850. This letter will serve as confirmation from our office that this system is currently certified for use in Texas. Enclosed is a copy of the certification order that pertains to this system. We therefore, officially, approve the submitted contract for the purchase of these systems.

Pursuant to state law, this written approval of your voting system contract is required prior to your final execution of the contract, or it will be considered void.

If you need additional information, please contact the Elections Division toll-free at 1-800-252-2216.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "KI", written over a faint printed name.

Keith Ingram  
Director of Elections

Enclosures

KI: CA