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BMD QUESTIONNAIRE

SUMMARY OF COUNTY RESPONSES

		Region 1				
		Orange	Dutchess	Nassau	New York City	Putnam
		Avante	Avante	Avante	Avante	Avante
1. Vendor Issues						
	Plan B Equipment					
	A. System Costs	<p>Estimated System and Vendor Costs Associated with Deploying an Avante Ballot Marking Device to 121 Poll Site</p> <p>Item: Indiv. Costs; # Required; Total Costs</p> <p>BMDs: \$3,600; 121; \$435,600 Visually impaired accessory kits: \$280; 121; \$33,880 battery Packs: \$180; 121; \$21,780 voting tables: \$800; 121; \$96,800 ballot encoders: \$800; 121; \$96,800 voter cards: \$2; 3,000; \$6,000 license fees: 30,000; 1; \$30,000</p> <p>Total System Costs: \$720,860</p> <p>Program Training: \$1,000; 10; \$10,000</p> <p>Total Avante Hardware and software \$730,860</p>	N/A	<p>battery packs: \$180,000; \$144,000.00 sip and puff accessories: \$55,000; \$44,000.00 visually impaired accessories: \$280,000; \$224,000.00 consumables: \$55,000; \$44,000.00 voter tracker: \$3,600,000; \$2,880,000.00 encoder: \$800,000; \$640,000.00 smart cards: \$2,000; \$9,600,000; 6 per machines headphone covers: \$0.02; \$800,000; 50 pr per machines</p> <p>\$3,986,400.00</p>	\$9,092,175	N/A
	B. Vendor Services	<p>\$10,000: All systems would need to arrive no later than three months prior to the first election for implementation. Vendor will need to provide 5 days training associate with ballot programming Costs included in sheet one attachment</p>	N/A	<p>license fee: \$30,000.00 software installation: \$10,000.00 programming: \$3,000.00 voter education: \$15,000.00 community outreach: \$ 8,000.00</p> <p>\$66,000.00</p>	\$966,216.00	<p>Poll worker training at \$80 an hour for 16 hours = \$1,280.00 Training of office staff for installation of DMV at \$80 an hour for one day = \$640.00</p>
	C. Vendor Support	<p>\$8,000: Would require at least 4 on site support specialist for the first two elections approximate cost: \$8,000. Some support would have to be negotiated within the contract</p>	N/A	<p>This is billed currently as an hourly charge. We anticipate 1000 hours at \$120 per hour totaling \$120,000.</p>	N/A	<p>Election Day support 1 Avante person at 16 hours at \$80 an hour = \$1,280.00 Support for installation of DMV at \$80 an hour for two days = \$1,280.00</p>

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	D. Comments	<p>Total Costs Associated with Deploying an Avante Ballot Marking Device to 149 Poll Site - ORANGE COUNTY</p> <p>Item: Costs: Reference Avante System: \$873,638; Sheet 1 Election day vendor support: Should be inclusive in Contract; Questionnaire 1.c Pollworkers: \$52,150/election; Questionnaire 2.b Clerical Staff: \$7,300; Questionnaire 2.c Training - BMD workers and Programmers: \$9,000 Programming Ballots: \$29,800 Space requirements: \$12,000/Yr; Questionnaire 3.a Logistics: 11,920; Questionnaire 3.b</p> <p>Total Costs for First Election \$995,808 Costs continuing each subsequent election \$165,320</p>	N/A	<p>There are 400 polling sites for the 1160 election districts that comprise Nassau County. We anticipate the necessity to put 2 marking devices in each of the locations due to the fact that the Plan B machines (Avante Vote Tracker) that we purchased were not reliable. In each of the Plan B instances we put 2 machines in each of 13 locations. In many instances, one of the two were not working properly and we required the use of the back up machine</p>	N/A	N/A
2. Personnel Issues						
	A. Technical Support	\$29,800; Software programming is estimated at \$29,800.00	N/A	<p>TECHNICAL SUPPORT It is anticipated that technical support is going to increase Board of Election expenses on two fronts: First, there will be the need for a service agreement with the vendor. Our present service agreement is for 26 Plan B machines. With the addition of 774 Plan B machines, our service agreement costs will skyrocket - most likely into the hundreds of thousands of dollars. Second, additional materials will need to be purchased and maintained on site for minor repair and replenishment. All consumables are subject to deterioration between elections and must be discarded and replaced with a new item.</p>	<p>BMD Techs = \$3,217,597 EVS Technical Staff = \$894,400</p>	<p>Technical Support personnel would have migrated with the vendor. The BMD machines at 26 polling sites would require at least four skilled technicians with total systems knowledge.</p>

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Plan B Equipment					
B. Poll Workers - Availability	<p>Most critically the availability of inspectors. Every County continues to have difficulty finding and retaining qualified inspectors. Orange County would need to acquire 300 additional inspectors. Recruitment of these additional inspectors would prove difficult, particular because getting the current minimum number is a daunting task. Additional training cost for inspectors estimated as \$10,500.00</p>	N/A	<p>POLL WORKERS - AVAILABILITY AND COST The most significant problem we face in this category is availability. Presently, we have two offices with the responsibility of recruiting, training, and retaining inspectors to work primary, general, and special elections. Plan B inspectors cannot be trained in the same classes as lever machine inspectors. Therefore, we will have to set up additional classes, sites, and trainers for the 1,600 Plan B inspectors.</p> <p>We hire a cadre of almost 5,000 election inspectors to properly staff the 400 polling sites in Nassau County. With the difficulty we have in recruiting new inspectors for the lever machines, we expect a nearly insurmountable problem in finding an additional 1,600 inspectors (with a more technological knowledge base) to exclusively staff the two machines for Plan B in 400 polling places. If people are not available to be regular inspectors, how are we expected to find inspectors for the Plan B machines?</p> <p>The population of inspectors presently on board is very senior in age. Younger poll workers, which are desperately needed, are not readily available to work elections. M</p>	N/A	<p>Two additional poll workers would be required at each polling site at a cost of \$11,700.00 for the county. We currently have a difficult time fully staffing our polling sites. In addition these poll workers would have to be trained.</p>
B. Poll Workers - Cost	<p>Most critically the availability of inspectors. Every County continues to have difficulty finding and retaining qualified inspectors. Orange County would need to acquire 300 additional inspectors. Recruitment of these additional inspectors would prove difficult, particular because getting the current minimum number is a daunting task. Additional training cost for inspectors estimated as \$10,500.00 See spreadsheet "Avante Costs Orange.xls"</p>	N/A	<p>Our regular inspector costs exceed \$1.5 million for primary and general elections, not to mention the hundreds of thousands that can be added should there be a special election. With the addition of \$480,000 for primary and general election Plan B inspectors our costs will surpass the \$2 million mark when you factor in training and other related expenses.</p>	\$5,938,800	\$11,700

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	Plan B Equipment:										
	C. Clerical Staff	Estimated additional hours of 242 hours of testing and loading, approximate costs of \$7,300.00 per election		N/A	Several clerical staff hires will be necessary in order to ensure that all documentation pertaining to the care, maintenance, testing and materials purchase is kept pursuant to applicable laws, regulations and guidelines. We will have to hire additional staff and create a separate department for the sole purpose of finding inspectors for Plan B. We presently has limited available space and will find it difficult to create work areas for these new clerical positions.	Other (clerical staff, project coordinators, executive management, canvass staff, consulting, voter outreach) = \$12,459,803		The clerical staff would be assigned administrative and technical responsibilities. (Fundamental programming tasks, etc.)			
	D. Set Up / Delivery Staff	Included into the costs for Transportation to the polls (Logistics)		N/A	From experience, we anticipate the need for 80 "seasonal" technicians to be responsible for the maintenance, set up, testing and operation of the 800 Plan B machines Nassau County would need to comply with a "machines in every polling site" requirement. Given the short amount of time that exists between initial court rulings and through the appeals process, prior to Primary Day, we believe 10 machines per technician is an adequate number to ensure that each machine is thoroughly checked, set-up and tested for deployment to the polling sites. In 2006 we had to replace and/or repair several BMD components between the primary and general elections. The staff hired for set-up and delivery will be needed from the beginning of August to the end of November, possibly December, to make sure all pre- and post-election requirements and needs are met and satisfied. Unlike machine "seasonal" workers hired for the same time period to assist in setting the lever machines, the personnel used for Plan B machines will need to possess a certain modicum of computer acumen in order to resolve problems that occur with the	See "C" above	Additional skilled staff would be required to set up and deliver twenty six BMD's to the individual polling sites at a cost of \$65,000 per machines. At a total cost of \$1,690,000.				

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Plan B Equipment	<p>E: Impact of Running Dual Systems</p> <p>Adds another level of complexity to the process, particularly during the level of activity that must be maintained during a presidential year. Total costs are expected to exceed \$395,808 (47% of HAVA grant). Making significantly depleting the HAVA grant money that will not cover a permanent solution.</p>		N/A	<p>The single most important factor of running dual systems is the negative impact of increased expenses. Moreover, as was mentioned, the difficult task of full poll site staffing between existing lever machines and the addition of two Plan B machines puts a strain on our available inspector pool.</p> <p>Training classes for Plan B machine inspectors will differ greatly from the normal lever machine training. The commonality of sensitivity training of inspectors toward all voters will ease this somewhat, however, the specialty of Plan B machines will force this county to establish and maintain two separate training curriculums.</p>	N/A	<p>We would be required to hire and train custodial technicians to "trouble shoot" and maintain two completely different voting systems which would likely involve new technology.</p>

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Plan B Equipment						
F. Comments	Permanent solutions are what we need. Temporary fixes will end up to create additional unnecessary workload and will also create voter confusion, by the voter not knowing which machine they are to use, possibly waiting on-line unnecessarily only to be moved into another line to vote on the proper voting machine.	N/A	<p>The concept of the Plan B machine is laudable. However, the prospect of Plan B machines in all polling sites is laughable when held against the reality of executing elections effectively. When you consider that this county receives, as well as so many others do, feedback from the disabled community that they would prefer to vote by absentee ballot, Plan B becomes little more than window dressing given the extremely high cost of providing a service the constituency does not even want.</p>	N/A		N/A
3. Facility Issues						
A. Space Requirements / Constraints	<p>The Orange County Board, currently has a facility for storing of voting machines, however, the Board would need to invest at least \$1,500,00 additional in expenses yearly, the add to their current facility. Additional Handicapped parking spaces would need to be maintained at currently Polling Places in order to accommodate Handicapped voters. Polling places would have to be testing to make sure that there was adequate electric. Such a test would have to be done yearly in the event that the services at polling places changed over the year.</p> <p>See spreadsheet "Avante Costs Orange.xls"</p>	N/A	<p>We cannot store and maintain 800 Ballot Marking Devices in our facility, where we currently house 1,500 lever machines. We share our building with several other county agencies as well as matrimonial court, so expansion is out of the question. Each BMD has three additional components (laptop, keyboard, and printer) and in order to program machines we require at least 5 feet of table space per set-up.</p>	Total Cost of Additional Facilities (1 Year) \$3,109,144	<p>Identifying additional space for both storage and usage would definitely be difficult. The BMD would most likely require private space, unique and different from the lever type machines.</p>	

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Plan B Equipment					
B. Logistics for delivering and picking up BMD systems	transportation currently outsource to vender. Additional costs would be approximately (149* 80(table and machine) = \$11,920) per election	N/A	Our lever machines, tables, and chairs are transported to the polls by truckers who are selected through a bid process. Therefore, we will also have to bid out the BMD deliveries. Our current vendors may not be able to meet the requirements for conveying from the BOE to the polling place and return to the BOE, the more sensitive BMD equipment. Computer equipment requires trucks that meet different specifications and environment conditions than those we currently utilize. It is anticipated that the bids for carting BMDs will be higher than our current costs. Our loading dock area cannot accommodate trailer trucks so more trucks are needed causing more traffic congestion.	N/A	This would add additional cost to the election and would create a logistical nightmare.
C. Poll Site Space Constraints	All sites would have to be re-surveyed to determine whether they can accommodate additional equipment. Some locations are already small and no other locations are available for use. Adding additional equipment to consume already limited space could cause for additional confusion on the part of the voters	N/A	Most of our poll sites are in school districts and oftentimes our machines and inspectors are relegated to the hallway areas because the schools use their gymnasiums to teach physical education. To place multiple lever machines along with the tables and chairs for inspectors as well as two tables for the BMDs is problematic. This is a problem where we have two machine districts as well as multiple election districts in one building. Not enough space to accommodate all the	N/A	Special/private space would have to be identified for each polling site. The BMD would require its own space with directions to access.

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	D. Facility Issues for Parking, Electrical, etc.	Parking is not a concern. Handicapped parking is currently available. Polling places would have to be tested to make sure that there was adequate electric. Such a test would have to be done yearly in the event that the services at polling places changed over the year.	N/A	Contrary to BMDs, lever machines do not require electricity in order to function. Permission from the district superintendent will be needed in order to use extension cords and adaptors for BMDs in areas where the electrical outlets are limited, such as in a hallway area. We will need to examine our other poll sites in order to determine if they are able to handle the power supply needs of BMDs.	N/A	Special parking areas would have to be identified and policed. We would have to receive permission from the facility in use. BMD also requires additional electrical hook ups and we would have to be sure not to overload the electrical system.
	E. Comments	N/A	N/A	For all the reasons (and more) outlined in the above section, we believe the inherent difficulties arising from the "New" Plan B is sorely ill-advised.	(See NYCBOE spreadsheet)	N/A
4. What would your county do to enhance the 2006 BMD program in 2008?						
	A. Enhanced "Super Sites"	Currently Orange County offers One BMD in every Assembly District, which covers the four (4) sections of the County. The Board would consider adding an additional four (4) machines to make it 2 BMD's in each Assembly District.	N/A	Creating regional "super sites" for the BMDs is what Nassau County did in 2006. We had 2 BMDs in each of our Assembly Districts and Long Beach Island.	N/A	The main issue here would be to identify the most suitable location such that the SUPER SITE would not impose any extensive travel. Due to variations in population density this would be difficult to locate a suitable SUPER SITE.

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Plan B Equipment					
B. Enhanced Provisions for Transportation	<p>Orange County has previously and will continue to contract with a Transportation vendor for handicapped services, to provide "door to door" service for Handicapped Voters who are unable to get transportation to go to the "super-cites" for elections. The transportation would also be available to a companion of a handicapped voter, if so desired. The cost per day was \$480.00 per bus – Not included in the attached survey.</p>	N/A	<p>-Acquiring lists from Able Ride or the Dept. of Senior Citizens is not possible. In 2006 when asked these agencies cited security and privacy policies.</p> <p>-During the 2006 elections voters wishing to use the BMDs set up in 12 locations throughout the county, we coordinated a program with Able-Ride. Able-Ride was utilized to offer rides to the polls to those who are physically challenged. However, sometimes voters with disabilities are not sure whether they are able to go out on any particular day. On election days Able-Ride did provide transportation, but it was difficult did not wait at the polls and voters were subjected to long waiting periods between arrival and returns of Able-Ride buses.</p> <p>-Only persons with Able-Ride membership could utilize the buses.</p> <p>-The county's Taxi and Limousine Commission also offered assistance to disabled voters. However, they have a limited number of cabs with room to accommodate a wheelchair.</p> <p>-Provide directions to BMD poll sites on –line.</p>	N/A	<p>In order to implement a SUPER SITE in Putnam County, a voter transportation plan would have to be devised establishing a well thought out voter pick-up locations. Considering the diverse population densities this would be difficult to devise.</p>
C. Enhanced Voter Outreach Program	<p>Currently work with the Office of Disabilities and the Office for the Aging, as well as the Independent Living Centers to have them contact their list of consumers enabling us to reach out to voters who may wish to use these machines.</p>	N/A	<p>-By 2008 we hope to have a website to inform voters of their polling locations and have links to Mappoint.</p> <p>-Invite the media to promote the use of BMDs by persons with disabilities.</p> <p>-Take out radio and newspaper ads.</p> <p>-Invite disabled voters to try out the equipment year-round.</p>	N/A	<p>An aggressive voter outreach program would have to be launched to both inform the voters of the SUPER SITES and inform them of all locations for pick-up and drop-off.</p>

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D. Other	N/A	N/A	<p>For the 2006 elections Nassau County utilized more polling locations than any other county in the state. We advertised the availability of the BMDs in these locations in newspapers and on our website. We hired three persons from the disabled community to act as coordinators for both the primary and general elections. Their responsibility was to each visit 4 polling sites in which we had 2 BMDs, and 4 poll workers was to assess the inspectors and their working knowledge of the equipment; the user-friendliness of the site chosen; and to help disabled voters.</p> <p>The under utilization of the BMDs by the disabled community was glaring. Nassau County deliberately placed BMDs in locations where there were persons with handicapping conditions such as The center for Developmental Disabilities, The Henry Viscardi School, United Cerebral Palsy Association of Nassau, Nassau BOCES – Occupational Therapy, to name several of the 12 locations. This was done in order to encourage participation. Unfortunately, more than two-thirds of the people who voted on the BMDs were NOT persons with handicapping conditions.</p>	N/A	N/A

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	B. Vendor Services	<p>All systems would need to arrive no later than three months prior to the first election for implementation. Vendor will need to provide 10 days training associate with ballot programming Costs included in sheet one attachment (spreadsheet "Avante Rockland Costs.xls")</p>	<p>This includes the cost of programming of \$3000.00 per Avante BMD equals an additional cost of \$1,062,000.00</p>	N/A	N/A	<p>A flashcard is programmed with all our ballot information by ES&S. The Board has not received the bill for this yet, but whatever the total, multiply that by 188. As with all Ballot Marking Devices (BMD's) the Board must also purchase paper ballots. Again, our office has not received the bill for this yet, however, our 2007 Primary Election requires 52 different ballot styles and our printing company only offers packages of 100 per style</p>
	C. Vendor Support	<p>Would require at least 4 on site support specialist for the first two elections approximate cost: \$8,000</p>	N/A	N/A	N/A	<p>ES&S offers a phone number in case of problems or questions on Election Day.</p>

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		<p>Total Costs Associated with Deploying an Avante Ballot Marking Device to 121 Poll Site</p> <p>Item: Costs: Reference Avante System and Training, \$730,860; Sheet 1 Election day vendor support, \$8,000; Questionnaire 1.c</p> <p>Technical Support: \$60,500; Questionnaire 2.a Pollworkers: \$60,500; Questionnaire 2.b Clerical Staff: \$6,292; Questionnaire 2.c Space requirements: \$15,000; Questionnaire 3.a Logistics: 9,680; Questionnaire 3.b</p> <p>Total Costs for First Election \$890,832</p> <p>Costs continuing each subsequent election \$159,972</p>				
D. Comments			N/A	N/A	N/A	<p>Albany County supports the implementation of New York State certified voting machines as a permanent solution to allow handicap accessible voting. The theme of HAVA is to allow all voters to cast their vote using the same method. A BMD in each polling site does not accomplish this goal. Disabled voters would still be using a different system and may be unaware that the BMD didn't actually record their vote, just marked their ballot which will then be recorded by a different machine.</p>
2. Personnel Issues						
A. Technical Support		<p>Software programming is estimated at \$60,500</p>	N/A	N/A	N/A	<p>The Board would have to hire at least six more IT staffers to assist with testing as well as provide technical support on Election Day. This would require our IT staff to be able to respond to Election Day problems across the County, so realistically we would require an entire IT team during the election season. This could be outsourced, but both options would prove extremely expensive.</p>

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Plan B Equipment							
B. Poll Workers -- Availability	<p>Most critically the availability of inspectors. Every County continues to have difficulty finding and retaining qualified inspectors. Rockland would need to acquire 242 additional inspectors. Recruitment of these additional inspectors would prove difficult, particular because getting the current minimum number is a daunting task. Additional training cost for inspectors estimated as \$60,500.</p>	708	N/A	N/A	<p>188 polling locations * 4 inspectors each = 752 poll inspectors that would need to be trained on this system. This number does not include ballot clerks or alternate poll inspectors. Each inspector currently receives \$25 for training (25 * 752 = \$18,800) and we may have to double the fee to \$50 to reflect the longer training session that would be required.</p>		
B. Poll Workers -- Cost	\$60,500	<p>Poll Workers- Availability and Cost Suffolk would require at least 708 new poll workers, 2 for each of the 354 polling places. Cost for training each inspector would be \$50 + transportation (two three hour training sessions, one as an inspector, one to learn how to operate the BMD). Pay per inspector for each Election Event is \$200.00. Cost: \$311,800</p> <p>Forty training sessions would be required, with four SCBOE staffers running them; estimated overtime hours would be 640 at \$40. Cost: \$25,600.00</p> <p>Obtaining poll workers is very difficult already. Finding 708 additional poll workers with technical aptitude would be even harder.</p>	N/A	N/A	<p>188 polling locations * 4 inspectors each = 752 poll inspectors that would need to be trained on this system. This number does not include ballot clerks or alternate poll inspectors. Each inspector currently receives \$25 for training (25 * 752 = \$18,800) and we may have to double the fee to \$50 to reflect the longer training session that would be required</p>		

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C. Clerical Staff	Estimated additional hours of 242 hours of testing and loading , approximate costs of \$8,292 per election	At least two more full time employees would be necessary to schedule and track the additional inspectors required to operate the BMD's. Cost: \$80,000.00	N/A	N/A	Board employees would need to be trained on this machine to handle questions on election days. BMD Testing – We have 52 different ballot styles for the 2007 Primary election (several have a vote for 14). It took 1½ days to test our only ES&S machine to make sure it was able to correctly mark each ballot style. This phase of testing cannot start until we receive the BMD ballots and the flash card with the ballot layout programmed into it. We received these on Wednesday, September 12, only 6 days before the election. With the staff we have available, there is no possible way that 188 machines could be tested in 6 days. In addition, with 188 BMD's, we would need at least one ballot scanner (probably more) which would also need to be tested. (Please see comments section.)
D. Set Up / Delivery Staff	Handled by vendor	Warehouse and Suitcase packing staff would have increased workloads and confining time and space issues, as they attempted to prepare and send different machines and accessories to polling places. The extensive exceedingly careful checking and re checking to ensure accurate delivery of necessary election materials	N/A	N/A	Albany County would require at least 30 County Custodians to deliver machines and assist with Election Day trouble calls.

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Plan B Equipment						
E. Impact of Running Dual Systems	<p>Adds another level of complexity to the process, particularly during the level of activity that must be maintained during a presidential year. Total costs are expected to exceed \$890,832 (42% of HAVA grant). Making significantly depleting the HAVA grant money that will not cover a permanent solution.</p>	<p>Running dual voting systems for the September Primary and November Elections is an administrative and fiscal nightmare. First, 2008 is a Presidential election where voter turnout is at its maximum. Second, the BOE will expend a significant enough of money for its public education and outreach program to alert the public that there will be dual voting machines in use and how to use the BMD machines for those interested in using the same.</p> <p>The public education and outreach efforts will consist of the following: print ads, PSA, several mailings to our 650,000.00 plus voters, training sessions with civic, community and disabled advocacy organizations, and public demonstrations at the malls and community events. Further, many BOE employees will be used on overtime to conduct the training sessions and to be available at public events to demonstrate using the BMD machines. The estimated cost for the public education and outreach efforts for six months (from March 2008 to September 2008) will cost approximately \$500,000.00</p>	N/A	N/A	Expect a lot of inspector confusion.	

