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## ELECTION ASSISTANCE COMMISSION

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AGENCY: U.S. Election Assistance Commission

ACTION: Public Meeting of the Technical Guidelines Development  
Committee

SUMMARY: The Technical Guidelines Development Committee (TGDC) will meet in open session on Thursday, December 15, 2011 and Friday, December 16, 2011 at the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) in Gaithersburg, Maryland.

DATES: The meeting will be held on Thursday, December 15, 2011, from 8:30 A.M. until 4:30 P.M., Eastern time (estimated based on speed of business), and Friday, December 16, 2011 from 8:30 A.M. to 3:30 P.M., Eastern time (estimated based on speed of business).

ADDRESS: The meeting will take place at the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST), 100 Bureau Drive, Building 101, Gaithersburg, Maryland 20899-8900. Members of the public wishing to attend the meeting must notify Mary Lou Norris or Angela Ellis by c.o.b. Thursday, December 8, 2011, per instructions under the SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION section of this notice.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Nelson Hastings, NIST Voting Program, Information Technology Laboratory, National Institute of Standards and Technology, 100 Bureau Drive, Stop 8930, Gaithersburg, MD 20899-8930, telephone: (301) 975-5237 or [nelson.hastings@nist.gov](mailto:nelson.hastings@nist.gov).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. App., notice is hereby given that the TGDC will meet Thursday, December 15, 2011 from 8:30 A.M. to 4:30 P.M., Eastern time, and Friday, December 16, 2011 from 8:30 A.M. to 3:30 P.M., Eastern time. Topics that will be discussed at the meeting include UOCAVA (Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act), Common Data Format, Usability and Accessibility, and Voluntary Voting System Guideline (VVSG) issues. The full meeting agenda will be posted in advance at <http://vote.nist.gov>. All sessions of this meeting will be open to the public.

The TGDC was established pursuant to 42 U.S.C 15361, to act in the public interest to assist the Executive Director of the Election Assistance Commission (EAC) in the development of voluntary voting system guidelines. Details regarding the TGDC's activities are available at <http://vote.nist.gov>.

All visitors to the National Institute of Standards and Technology site will have to pre-register to be admitted. Anyone wishing to attend this meeting must register by c.o.b. Thursday, December 8, 2011, in order to attend. Please submit your name, time of arrival, email address and phone number to Mary Lou Norris or Angela Ellis, and they will provide you with instructions for admittance. Non-U.S. citizens must also submit their country of citizenship, title, employer/sponsor, and address. Mary Lou Norris' email

address is [marylou.norris@nist.gov](mailto:marylou.norris@nist.gov), and her phone number is (301) 975-2002. Angela Ellis' email address is [angela.ellis@nist.gov](mailto:angela.ellis@nist.gov), and her phone number is (301) 975-3881. If you are in need of a disability accommodation, such as the need for Sign Language Interpretation, please contact Nelson Hastings by c.o.b Friday, November 25, 2011. Nelson Hastings' contact information is given in the FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT section above.

Members of the public who wish to speak at this meeting may send a request to participate to Nelson Hastings by c.o.b. Tuesday, December 6, 2011. Individuals and representatives of organizations who would like to offer comments and suggestions related to the Committee's affairs are invited to request a place on the agenda. On December 15, 2011, approximately 30 minutes will be reserved for public comments at the end of the open session. Speaking times will be assigned on a first-come, first-served basis. The amount of time per speaker will be determined by the number of requests received, but is likely to be no more than 3 to 5 minutes each. Participants who are chosen will receive confirmation from the contact listed above that they were selected by 12:00 PM Eastern time on Friday, December 9, 2011.

The general public, including those who are not selected to speak, may submit written comments, which will be distributed to TGDC members so long as they are received no later than 12:00 PM Eastern time on Friday, December 9, 2011. All comments will also be posted on <http://vote.nist.gov>.

**Signed:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Mark A. Robbins**, General Counsel,

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