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Mark W. Abbott, PhD  
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Dear Dr. Abbott:

Section 11 of Indiana's State Plan states that, "the Secretary of State shall...publish the changes in the *Federal Register* upon submitting the revised plan to the Election Assistance Commission." In accordance with Section 255 of the Help America Vote Act of 2002 (HAVA), I am pleased to file with the Election Assistance Commission (EAC), for publication in the *Federal Register*, this letter and the following new pages that reflect amendments made to the Indiana State Plan for Implementing the Help America Vote Act of 2002. These new pages, together with non-substantive changes that were made by the tri-partisan Vote Indiana Team, will constitute the Indiana HAVA State Plan.

Throughout the amended document, references to future activities and tasks encompassing Indiana's implementation of HAVA have been changed to reflect the completion or level of completion of these important implementation features. Additionally, certain changes in Indiana election law has led the Vote Indiana Team to add these changes to the State's HAVA outreach, training, and education initiatives. Finally, while remaining tri-partisan and representing a diverse group of Hoosier voters, some members of the Vote Indiana Team have been replaced by new members and the total number of Vote Indiana Team members has decreased. These and other non-substantive changes can be found throughout most sections of the Indiana State Plan. After previous consultation with EAC Staff, the State has elected not to include those changes for publication in the *Federal Register*. Instead, the State would direct the EAC and members of the public to the Indiana Secretary of State's HAVA website ([www.in.gov/sos/elections/hava](http://www.in.gov/sos/elections/hava)) to view and copy the complete Indiana State Plan as the Vote Indiana Team has amended it.

Substantive changes to the Indiana State Plan can be attributed to the FY2008 and FY2009 Title II requirements funds appropriation by Congress. These changes include a HAVA budget for State fiscal years 2010 and 2011. This budget contemplates ongoing funding for the Statewide Voter Registration System (SVRS), poll worker and election official training, voter education,



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HAVA administration, continued administration of the grievance process, voting system reimbursements, and the development and implementation of the online voter registration application -which will make it easier to Hoosiers to register to vote or update their registration information. Language was also added to ensure Indiana can obtain future Title II distributions in a quick and efficient manner.

The 2009 Amendments to the Indiana State Plan were developed in accordance with Section 255 of HAVA and the requirements for public notice and comment prescribed by Section 256 of HAVA.

On behalf of the State of Indiana, I thank the Commission for its assistance. I look forward to our continued collaboration to improve the administration of elections in Indiana and the country.

Sincerely,

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Indiana Secretary of State

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Attachments

- Substantive Changes to the State Plan: Pages 14 through 78
- “The Indiana State Plan to Implement the Help America Vote Act of 2002”