

Purpose of HART Intercivic upgrade:

The upgrade will Enlarge all ballot information so that the Elections Official will not have to change the paper size if there is a large Election

We have had an Election where the paper has had to be larger, and my office has had to shrink the size of the print to enable all the ballot information to be on one page. With the upgrade we will no longer have to change sizes of the print on the Ballots.

The upgrade will also allow all the office to enter all write ins to the Tabulation Computer easier then it has in the past. We have had to add AKA names (Robert, Bob, Rob) any name that could possibly be an AKA for Robert or any other name that we would have to enter in the Tabulation Computer

The upgrade will also help with all PIR requests that the Office gets after an Election. We will not have to redact any information that may be on the ballot. (At this time Brown County has been fortunate and has not had many PIR currently. We fill with the way Elections are becoming we are all doomed for more PIR's in the future.

The upgrade will help with all Hash Validations (making them easier and more convenient for voting equipment.

We will upgrade from 2.3/2.5 to 2.7 on all Scanners, controllers and Duos.

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(Exhibit #10)

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REPORT OF REVIEW OF HART INTERCIVIC VERITY VOTING 2.7 SYSTEM

PRELIMINARY STATEMENT

On March 1-2, 2023, and July 6, 2023, Hart InterCivic Inc. ("Hart" or the "Vendor") presented the Verity Voting 2.7 system for examination and certification. The examination was conducted in Austin, Texas at the Office of the Texas Secretary of State (the "Office"). Pursuant to Sections 122.035(a) and (b) of the Texas Election Code, the Secretary of State appointed the following examiners:

1. Mr. Tom Watson, an expert in electronic data communication systems;
2. Mr. Brian Mechler, an expert in electronic data communication systems;
3. Mr. Brandon Hurley, an expert in election law and procedure; and
4. Mr. Charles Pinney, an expert in election law and procedure.

Pursuant to Section 122.035(a), the Texas Attorney General appointed the following examiners:

1. Mr. Robert Thomson, an expert in electronic data communication systems; and
2. Mr. Austin Kinghorn, an employee of the Texas Attorney General.

On March 1, 2023, Mr. Mechler, Mr. Pinney, and Mr. Thomson witnessed the extraction of the trusted build and the installation of the Verity 2.7 software and firmware that the Office received directly from the Independent Testing Authority. The examiners, assisted by Office staff, compared the generated hashes from each device to the trusted hashes that the U.S. Election Assistance Commission ("EAC") provided to the Office. The hash validation was successful. Mr. Pinney, assisted by Office staff, conducted the examination of the accessibility components of the Verity Touch Writer Duo, Verity Touch Writer Duo Standalone, and Verity Touch Writer with Access devices.

On March 2, 2023, the Vendor demonstrated the system and answered questions presented by the examiners. After the vendor presentation, the examiners conducted a test election and tested other components of the system. The results of the test election were accumulated and verified for accuracy by Office staff.

On July 6, 2023, the examiners examined the Verity Transmit and Verity Transmit Receiving Station components of the system. The examiners conducted a test election using those components to verify the accuracy and security of the transmission process. The results of the test election were accumulated and verified for accuracy by Office staff.

Examiner reports regarding the Verity Voting 2.7 system are attached hereto and incorporated herein by this reference.

On August 3, 2023, pursuant to Section 122.0371 of the Texas Election Code, the Office held a public hearing for interested persons to express views for or against the certification of the Verity Voting 2.7 system.

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF VERITY VOTING 2.7

The Verity Voting 2.7 system is an updated version of the Verity Voting 2.5 system, which the Office certified in April 2021 for use in Texas elections.

Verity Voting 2.7 includes software enhancements to the existing election management system and updates to other previously certified hardware components, including the Verity Touch Writer Duo, Verity Touch Writer Duo Standalone, and Verity Touch Writer with Access ballot marking devices, the Verity Scan precinct scanner, and the Verity Central central scanner. Verity Voting 2.7 also includes an additional software component (Verity Transmit) and an additional hardware component (Verity Transmit Receiving Station).

Verity Voting 2.7 has been evaluated at an accredited independent voting system laboratory for conformance to the 2005 Voluntary Voting System Guidelines (VVSG). Verity Voting 2.7 was certified by the EAC on June 7, 2022.

The components of Verity Voting 2.7 are as follows:

Component	Version	Description
Verity Data	2.7.1	Election management software
Verity Build	2.7.1	Election management software
Verity Count	2.7.1	Election management software
Verity Central	2.7.1	Central scanner
Verity User Management	2.7.1	Election management software
Verity Election Management	2.7.1	Election management software
Verity Desktop	2.7.1	Election management software
Verity Scan	2.7.1	Precinct scanner
Verity Touch Writer with Access	2.7.1	Ballot marking device
Verity Controller	2.7.1	Voting machine ballot activation device
Verity Touch Writer Duo	2.7.1	Ballot marking device

Verity Touch Writer Duo Standalone	2.7.1	Ballot marking device
Verity Transmit	2.7.1	Election management software
Verity Transmit Receiving Station	2.7.4 ¹	Election management software

FINDINGS

The following are the findings, based on written evidence submitted by the Vendor in support of its application for certification, oral evidence presented at the examination, and the written reports of the voting system examiners (all of whom recommended certifying the Verity Voting 2.7 system for use in Texas elections, subject to the condition outlined below).

The Verity Voting 2.7 system, including its hardware and software components, meets the standards for certification as prescribed by Section 122.001 of the Texas Election Code. Specifically, the Verity Voting 2.7 system and its components, among other things:

1. Preserve the secrecy of the ballot;
2. Are suitable for the purpose for which they are intended;
3. Operate safely, efficiently, and accurately and comply with the voting system standards adopted by the Election Assistance Commission;
4. Are safe from fraudulent or unauthorized manipulation;
5. Permit voting on all offices and measures to be voted on at the election;
6. Prevent counting votes on offices and measures on which the voter is not entitled to vote;
7. Prevent counting votes by the same voter for more than one candidate for the same office or, in elections in which a voter is entitled to vote for more than one candidate for the same office, prevent counting votes for more than the number of candidates for whom the voter is entitled to vote;
8. Prevent counting a vote on the same office or measure more than once;
9. Permit write-in voting; and
10. Are capable of providing records from which the operation of the voting system may be audited.

CONDITIONS

The Secretary of State imposes the following condition on the certification of the Verity Voting 2.7 system:

1. The Verity Transmit module must be used in accordance with the procedures prescribed by the Secretary of State under Section 127.1231(b) of the Texas Election Code for the


¹ In the course of the examination of the Verity Voting 2.7 system, the examiners also reviewed Engineering Change Order ("ECO") 1605, which was a minor modification to the Verity Transmit module. That modification updated the version number of the Verity Transmit Receiving Station component from 2.7.1 to 2.7.4. The modification designated as ECO 1605 is hereby approved as part of this certification order.

module to be considered within the scope of the certification of the Verity Voting 2.7 system.

CONCLUSION

Accordingly, based upon the foregoing, I hereby certify Hart InterCivic's Verity Voting 2.7 system for use in Texas elections, subject to the above condition.

Signed under my hand and seal of office, this 24th day of August, 2023.



JOSE A. ESPARZA
DEPUTY SECRETARY OF STATE



November 14, 2024

Christina Worrell Adkins
Director, Texas Secretary of State Elections Division
1019 Brazos Street
Austin, Texas 78701

Dear Christina,

This letter is to inform the Texas Secretary of State Elections Division of a "contract change" for the following customer. Hart InterCivic is upgrading the following Hart customer in Texas from their current Verity voting system version to the Texas approved version 2.7.

Please note:

- The only changes to the auto-renewing customer contract are the system version numbers (reflected below).
- The on-site service fee for this upgrade is optional.

Jurisdiction Name
Brown County, TX

Exhibit D

Hart Proprietary Software and Sublicensed Software

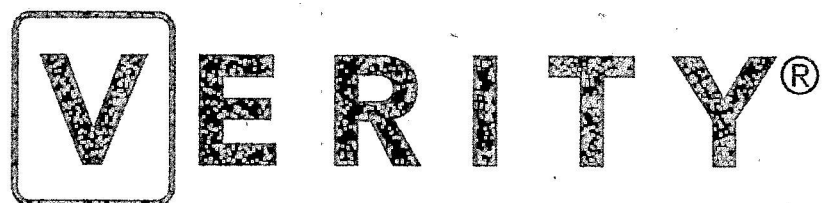
The Hart Proprietary Software licensed to Customer via annual subscription:

SOFTWARE/FIRMWARE NAME	VERSION NUMBER
Verity Count	2.7.1
Verity Scan	2.7.6
Verity Controller	2.7.2
Verity Touch Writer Duo	2.7.2

We will update you if there are any changes to this customer list.
We look forward to your approval/acknowledgement.

Sincerely,

Peter Lichtenheld
Senior VP of Customer Success



System Improvements

Verity 2.5 → Verity 2.7

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Important New Features

Proposition Text Wrapping

- Verity 2.7 allows users to wrap proposition text to the next column on the ballot ✓ (introduced in Verity 2.6).
- Verity Data now includes a ballot layout validation for propositions that do not fit on a single page; Data will skip this validation when wrapping is enabled for a proposition contest.

Column forces by precinct-split

- This feature allows users to override global layout settings and force contests to the next column or page for specific precincts and precinct splits (introduced in Verity 2.6).

Support for contests where no candidates have filed

- Verity 2.7 provides support for Office contests where no candidates have filed (introduced in Verity 2.6):
 - Verity Data allows users to remove the option box for one or more specific choices.
 - Non-votable choices cannot be selected during a voting session but can be highlighted for audio playback on accessible devices.
 - Non-votable choices can be translated, recorded, and assigned Party affiliations.
 - Non-votable choices are supported in both General and Primary elections.

Ability to assign write-ins using multiple Count Clients

- Verity Count now supports simultaneous adjudication of write-ins on multiple Count Client workstations within a single task (introduced in Verity 2.6).
 - Users can check out a specific contest and resolve write-ins, while another user simultaneously resolves write-ins for a different contest.
 - Once adjudication is completed, users can post write-in votes for inclusion in reports.
 - Verity User Management now allows Administrators to control user permissions for adding new write-in candidates.

Reporting support for up to 10 voting types

- Verity now supports the creation of up to 10 separate voting types. Verity Count users can choose which voting types to display on results reports (introduced in Verity 2.6).
- Verity 2.7 includes a new "Results by Category" report in Verity Count; this report includes a separate column for each voting type, with vote totals for each (introduced in Verity 2.6).

State-specific features

Enhanced reporting (Hawaii)

- Verity 2.7 supports reporting requirements for the State of Hawaii, including Three-column results reports, Statement of Vote reports, and more.

Grid-based ballot support (New York)

- Verity 2.7 introduces Grid-based ballot support for the State of New York.
- Grid-based ballots include support for unmarked write-in detection.

Verity Build improvements

- Select whether **Touch Writer** will print **bilingual or monolingual ballots** for non-English languages.
- Fold line validation now checks for barcodes and positioning landmarks.
- Added support for **unmarked write-in detection with grid-based ballots** (Verity Scan).

Verity Central improvements

- Added support for **8.5" x 22" ballots**.
- Added support for **unmarked write-in detection with grid-based ballots**.
- Verity 2.7 corrects an issue that prevented import of a Certified Write-in Candidates list that had just been exported (corrected in Verity 2.6).

Verity Count improvements

- **Updated Election Dashboard** display.
- Users can set a **custom contest order** for results reports.
- Verity includes digital signatures for exported *collections* of CVRs.
- Alias functionality now includes the ability to **import and export aliases** and sets of aliases.
- **Hawaii Reporting - Count** allows Hawaii users to enable state-specific features, including:
 - New exports: Precinct detail and Summary.
 - New reports: 3-column Summary Report, 3-Column Precinct Report, Statement of Vote.
 - Ballots cast reporting behavior and manual vote recording behavior for multi-sheet ballots.
- Verity 2.7 corrects an issue where voting types were not following sequential order in the Reporting Options Screen (corrected in Verity 2.6).
- Verity Count supports batch subtraction of records during a Manual Vote Recording session. Supported use cases may include changing election data source or other error corrections (introduced in Verity 2.6).

Hardware Compatibility

Verity 2.7 introduces new hardware and accessories. Compatibility of legacy hardware components is detailed in the table below; in some cases, system upgrades may require replacement of existing components for compatibility or to allow use of updated features and functionality.

IMPORTANT: Legacy products are indicated with *italics*; current products are in bold. Availability of legacy products and supplies for these products (e.g., toner) may be limited or non-existent. Contact Hart Support for more information.

Component Type	Not Supported	Supported
Workstation Monitors	<i>HP P231</i>	<i>HP P232</i> HP P24 G4 24 HP P244
Computer Workstations	<i>HP Z230</i> <i>HP Z240 (32 GB)</i>	<i>HP Z240 (64GB)</i> HP Z4 G4 (64 GB)
Printers	n/a	<i>OKI B431d</i> <i>OKI B432dn</i> <i>OKI C831dn</i> <i>OKI C844dn</i> <i>OKI C911dn</i> <i>OKI C931e</i> Brother HL-L6400DWVS Into Print SP1360
Desktop Ballot Scanners (<i>Verity Central</i>)	n/a	<i>Canon DR-G1100</i> <i>Canon DR-G1130</i> Canon DR-G2110 Canon DR-G2140
Ballot Overlays	Overlay versions 2.6 and earlier	Overlay version 2.7



Quote Number 00014589
Account Name Brown County, TX
Grand Total \$60,570.00

Expiration Date 2/16/2025
Payment Terms Net 30

Please fax with signature to or scan and email to ssaenz@hartic.com to order.

Item	Description	Unit Price	Quantity	Total Price
Verity Central	Verity Central software	\$35,000.00	1	\$35,000.00 ✓
Verity Workstation	Workstation for Verity software	\$5,900.00	1	\$5,900.00
24" Flat Panel Monitor	Monitor for use with Verity Workstation		1	
Canon DR-G2140 Central Scanner	Central ballot scanner w/ 1-year warranty (preventative maintenance sold separately)	\$10,000.00	1	\$10,000.00
Brother HLL6400DWVS Printer	Laser printer w/ toner cartridge for report printing	\$795.00	1	\$795.00
License and Support	Annual license and support fee; will be prorated to align with contract	\$7,000.00	1	\$7,000.00

Subtotal \$58,695.00
Shipping and Handling (Estimated) \$1,875.00
Grand Total \$60,570.00 X

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Taxes will be calculated in conjunction with the Customer based on the final approved price list.

Hart Approval

Prepared By Simon Saenz

Title Sales Account Manager

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Quote Number 00014588

Account Name Brown County, TX

Grand Total \$11,183.00

Expiration Date 2/16/2025

Payment Terms Net 30

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Item	Description	Unit Price	Quantity	Total Price
Verity Workstation	Workstation for Verity 2.7 Count software	\$5,900.00	1	\$5,900.00
24" Flat Panel Monitor	Monitor for use with Verity Workstation		1	
Verity Upgrade Kit (38BT Tablet)	DIY upgrade kit for Verity unit; includes seal, adhesive pad, and coin battery	\$3.25	144	\$468.00
Verity Build Dimensional Overlays		\$235.00	1	\$235.00
Professional Services - 3 Days	Includes up to 3 days of service. Additional days of service must be purchased separately.	\$4,230.00	1	\$4,230.00

Subtotal \$10,833.00

Shipping and Handling (Estimated) \$350.00

Grand Total \$11,183.00 X

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Quote Number 00014587

Account Name Brown County, TX

Grand Total \$8,623.00

Expiration Date 2/16/2025

Payment Terms Net 30

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Item	Description	Unit Price	Quantity	Total Price
Verity Workstation	Workstation for Verity 2.7 Count software	\$5,900.00	1	\$5,900.00
24" Flat Panel Monitor	Monitor for use with Verity Workstation		1	
Verity Upgrade Kit (38BT Tablet)	DIY upgrade kit for Verity unit; includes seal, adhesive pad, and coin battery	\$3.25	144	\$468.00
Verity Build Dimensional Overlays		\$235.00	1	\$235.00
✓ Professional Services - 1 Day	Includes up to 1 day of service. Additional days of service must be purchased separately.	\$1,670.00	1	\$1,670.00
Subtotal				\$8,273.00
Shipping and Handling (Estimated)				\$350.00
Grand Total				\$8,623.00 X

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Quote Number 00014588
Account Name Brown County, TX
Grand Total \$5,033.00

Expiration Date 3/19/2025
Payment Terms Net 30

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Item	Description	Unit Price	Quantity	Total Price
Verity Upgrade Kit (38BT Tablet)	DIY upgrade kit for Verity unit; includes seal, adhesive pad, and coin battery	\$3.25	144	\$468.00
Verity Build Dimensional Overlays		\$235.00	1	\$235.00
Professional Services - 3 Days	Includes up to 3 days of service. Additional days of service must be purchased separately.	\$4,230.00	1	\$4,230.00
Subtotal				\$4,933.00
Shipping and Handling (Estimated)				\$100.00
Grand Total				\$5,033.00 ✓

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Quote Number 00014587
Account Name Brown County, TX
Grand Total \$2,473.00

Expiration Date 3/19/2025
Payment Terms Net 30

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Item	Description	Unit Price	Quantity	Total Price
Verity Upgrade Kit (38BT Tablet)	DIY upgrade kit for Verity unit; includes seal, adhesive pad, and coin battery	\$3.25	144	\$468.00
Verity Build Dimensional Overlays		\$235.00	1	\$235.00
Professional Services - 1 Day	Includes up to 1 day of service. Additional days of service must be purchased separately.	\$1,670.00	1	\$1,670.00

Subtotal \$2,373.00
Shipping and Handling (Estimated) \$100.00
Grand Total \$2,473.00 ✓

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