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Secretary of State Debra Bowen to Hold Media Availability After Release of Independent UC Reports on Top-to-Bottom Voting Systems Review

WHAT:

Earlier this year, Secretary of State Debra Bowen entered into a contract with the University of California (UC) to help conduct an unprecedented top-to-bottom review of the certified electronic voting systems currently used in California elections. Today, the independent UC review teams, led by nationally respected computer science experts David Wagner and Matthew Bishop, will deliver their reports to the Secretary of State.

After the independent UC reports are posted to the Secretary of State's website, Secretary Bowen will hold a media availability via phone.

A public hearing will be held in the Secretary of State's Sacramento office building on July 30 beginning at 10:00 a.m. Secretary Bowen's decisions on system certifications will come on or before August 3, after her thorough review of the UC team reports and input from voters, voting system vendors and local elections officials.

To read the reports and more information about the review, visit http://www.sos.ca.gov/elections/elections_vsr.htm.

WHEN:

TODAY at 2:00 p.m.

WHERE:

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