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Ogle County Clerk & Recorder

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Illinois State Board of Elections
2329 S. MacArthur Blvd
Springfield, IL 62704-4503

Dear State Board of Elections representative and members of the public:

Please accept this letter pursuant to the 10 ILCS 5/1-17 of the Illinois Election Code, which requires Election Authorities to state the “general description of the status of voting equipment with their jurisdiction.” Other requirements of this statute include providing a “statement of our perceived need for new voting equipment and the costs associated with obtaining new equipment.” A copy of this information must be published online, so this information will be available on our county website.

A listing of the quantities of Ogle County’s voting equipment, including their age and functionality, accompanies this letter. I believe the overall functionality of our voting equipment is fair to good, but due to its age new equipment will be needed. An approximate cost to replace this existing equipment with new equipment is approximately \$400,000 to \$500,000; which does not include additional software and maintenance fees. I was hopeful for state or federal grants similar to the HAVA Grant we received in 2005 for our current equipment and software to be made available to pay for a new voting system. I will be approaching our County Board after the Consolidated Election in regards to funding for the new equipment.

If there any questions about election services, please contact the County Clerk’s Office.

Sincerely,

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Jurisdiction	Ogle County			
		# Pieces	Age	Functionality
In-Precinct Equipment	M100	44	13 to 18 years	Fair
	DS200	2	4	Good
Central Count Equipment	N/A	#	Years	Explain
ADA Ballot Marking Device Component (if applicable)	Automark	35	18 Years	Fair
		4	5 years	Good
ADA Direct Recording Electronic Voting System (DRE) Component (if applicable)	N/A	#	Years	Explain