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MEMORANDUM

TO: Wisconsin County Clerks and the Milwaukee County Election Commission
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FROM: Diane Lowe, Lead Elections Specialist
Wisconsin Elections Commission

DATE: July 29, 2016

SUBJECT: Ballots for November 8, 2016 General Election
Voting for President Only

General Election Sample Ballots

Sample paper and optical scan ballots for the General Election are now available on the WEC website, <http://gab.wi.gov/forms/ballots>. The general election ballot series is EL-203.

Hand-Count Paper Ballots

- General election ballot: Click on “EL-203.”
- General election Federal-Only ballot: Click on “EL-203F.”
- *Presidential-Only ballot: Click on “EL-207.”
- Referendum Ballot (if required): Click on “EL-228.”
- *Reverse side of paper ballots: Click on “EL-229.”

Optical Scan Ballots

- General election arrow and oval ballots: Click on “EL-203ms.”
- General election arrow and oval Federal-Only ballots: Click on “EL-203Fms.”
- Presidential-Only ballot: Click on “EL-207.”

* *Optical Scan Users: Please use the EL-207 and EL-229 for Presidential-Only ballots.*

New and Former Wisconsin Residents Voting for President Only

New Wisconsin Residents

At the Presidential Election a voter who has moved to Wisconsin less than 10 days before the election, but is otherwise qualified to vote, may vote for the office of President only. This voter may not register to vote because the residency requirement has not been met.

To vote for President, the voter must:

- Complete an *Application for Presidential Ballot – New Wisconsin Resident* (EL-141)
- Provide proof of residence and proof of identification.

- Complete an *Authorization to Cancel Registration* (EL-139), which is sent to the State Elections Office in the state of the voter's previous residence.

The voter is given a Presidential Only Ballot (EL-207). A new Wisconsin Voter may apply for and vote an absentee Presidential-Only in the office of the municipal clerk, in which case the municipal clerk enters the voters name and "President Only" on the absentee ballot log. The EL-141 application is entered into WisVote using the application type "presidential only."

A new Wisconsin Voter may also vote for President at the polling place, where the inspectors will list the voter's name and "President Only" on the supplemental poll list. Please provide your inspectors with a minimal amount of ballots and forms.

Former Wisconsin Residents

A former Wisconsin resident who does not meet the eligibility requirements in the state to which he or she has moved may request to vote an absentee ballot for President only in Wisconsin. To vote for President, the former resident must:

- Complete an Application for Presidential Ballot – Former Wisconsin Resident (EL-140)
- Provide proof of identification.

There is no firm deadline for a former resident to request a Presidential-Only ballot (EL-207), except that the application must be received by the municipal clerk before Election Day.

Municipal clerks must note on the absentee ballot log that the voter was sent a Presidential-Only Ballot and enter the application into WisVote using the application type "presidential only."

The EL-140 and EL-141 include instructions for use.

If you have questions, please contact the Elections Help Desk at 608-261-2028 or elections@wi.gov.