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TO: Wisconsin County Clerks
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SUBJECT: Guidance on Revising Voter Participation Data in SVRS/GAB-190 after the Recount

Please keep the 2011 Spring Election open in SVRS and be prepared to update SVRS and the GAB-190 with changes from the recount process.

For the recount results, Clerks should enter data into SVRS and the GAB-190 as they always do, and complete all data entry by May 5, 30 days after the April 5 election. Due to the recount, SVRS users however, should leave the 2011 Spring Election open until after the recount is completed.

If the recount changes the voter participation numbers, it is critically important that you adjust SVRS and the GAB-190 to reflect the new totals. For example, on Election Day, poll workers incorrectly rejected an absentee ballot. During the recount process, the ballot is accepted. The voter should be issued a voter number, and have history recorded in SVRS. The GAB-190 will be adjusted to show one more ballot and one more voter.

Municipalities that have closed the election in SVRS do not have to reopen it unless their voter history changes in the recount. If you need to reopen the election in SVRS, directions are in the Post Election Activities chapter of the SVRS Manual.

As usual, if you have questions, please direct them to our Help Desk at (608) 261-2028 or GABHelpDesk@wi.gov.

Thank you!

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