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TO: Senator Robinson and Members of the Legislative Information Technology Committee

FR: Al Jaeger, Secretary of State

Re: Secretary of State's Data Processing System Project

The following is the status of the Secretary of State's Data Processing System Project development project.

As of August 31, 2010, the project status was 35.2% behind schedule.

The project continues to experience delays due to the capital funding issues on the part of the Raleigh, North Carolina based software vendor, CC Intelligent Solutions, Inc. (CCIS). CCIS continues to experience economic challenges due to national economic volatility and continues to explore funding sources that may infuse capital into the firm. The CCIS staff that was furloughed in the previous reporting period remains on leave while the software is continuing to be developed with remaining limited staffing resources. Still committed to completing the project, CCIS is in the process of developing contingency timelines which take into account reduced staffing scenarios.

The scope of the project is still on target, and no changes are anticipated.

The cost variance is currently 14.1% under budget. The under budget status is due to the schedule slippage and delayed delivery of payments attached to deliverables not yet received.

Although the project has been delayed by circumstances beyond the control of this office, my project team and I are pleased with the product that has been developed to date. We are confident that the product ultimately deployed will provide exceptional functionality for both the public and for this agency. It will contain many online features for users of the agency's services.