

**Scytl USA response to FOX NEWS article on FVAP pilot project**

Scytl USA LLC has seen today the article published by FOX NEWS [Military Absentee Voting Pilot Program Downed by Expensive Payout](#), dated August 26, 2010.

In the article there are some inaccurate statements being quoted out of Scytl USA's Managing Director, Mr. Hugh Gallagher.

Those statements do not represent the position of Scytl USA towards the current situation on the FVAP pilot project. Overall the Project is progressing well in the states we are contracted with, even when many jurisdictions have to work in parallel on handling their Primary Elections, and as many people know, preparing elections and conducting elections is a rigorous and time consuming effort, requiring the full attention of election personnel and their voting system and election services vendors.

Scytl USA understands the need of ES&S to be responsive to their state and county customer's contracted election services requirements first and to be paid in case there is additional work that is asked of them to do outside of the scope of work of the existing contracts. Scytl USA is not able to comment on the relationship between ES&S and their customers as to election service contracts that may exist. But we do know that ES&S has a reputation of being focused and responsive to all of their customer's election requirements.

ES&S is not part of the FVAP project and has no responsibility for any of the scope of work requirements. In the FVAP project 5 vendors are required to provide several systems to the states through the FVAP program. Per the FVAP program contract, the states are responsible to provide the ballot data to make the systems usable to UOCAVA voters from their jurisdiction to their respective FVAP project vendor.

Apparently several participating states are working closely with ES&S to provide them with data formatted in a way that is usable by the systems. There have been talks in between the states and ES&S about the effort and costs of producing the data in those formats. We understand the article by FOX NEWS discusses those talks but believe that the amounts noted are not accurate nor are reflective of the options ES&S has offered.

Like other participating vendors, Scytl USA wants the states to be able to produce a usable set of ballot information data. Scytl USA is cooperating and working with the nine states we have contracts with in order to make the requirements of data as minimal as possible and thanks ES&S and all other election vendors for their continuous co-operation during the short time frame that the project has to have the FVAP project set up. The pace and accuracy of data being received is exceptional – we fully expect this to continue to the benefit of the men and women serving our Country overseas for this November general election.

