Greetings,

I am writing to express my strong objection to the UOCAVA pilot program as currently described in the testing requirements document posted at <u>http://www.eac.gov/program-areas/voting-systems/docs/requirements-03-24-10-uocava-pilot-program/attachment_download/file</u>

My objections are entered on behalf of more than 55 million Americans with disabilities whose access to the pilot program is not defined or even addressed. Access to Internet based voting is equally important to ALL citizens and without explicit commitment to accessible design, this program will be highly discriminatory.

As you know, Section 508 of the Federal Rehabilitation Act requires all U.S. government entities to provide citizens with disabilities access to information and function that is comparable to the access available to everyone else. Unless and until the UOCAVA pilot program clearly states its intention to comply with the Section 508 requirements, the program will fail to serve a large and growing group of citizens - people with disabilities. Please address this oversight before implementing the program.

Thank you.

Sincerely, Sharron Rush

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