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Election Trust Integrates: Overseas eVotes Verified Florida County Reports 'Distance Balloting' Results 100% Verifiable

Bellevue, WA (November 12, 2008) – The 2008 American Presidential election produced two dramatic 'firsts': The *first African-American president* and the *first verifiable online votes* cast in any election.

Election Trust, as the integration partner of **Operation BRAVO Foundation's 'Okaloosa Distance Balloting Pilot'** (www.operationbravo.org/our_solutions.html), or **ODBP**, saw almost four years of collaborative work result in the successful demonstration of the next generation of secure, transparent and reliable remote electronic voting, or 'distance balloting'.

Delivering a real alternative to the snail-mail 'absentee' balloting that frustrates millions of U.S. overseas voters, ODBP relied on Okaloosa County-authentication of voters who cast a distance ballot through a Florida State-certified remote kiosk electronic voting system designed and implemented by **Scytl Secure Electronic Voting**.

"When Okaloosa County asked us to recommend a superior online voting platform for this pilot, we did not hesitate to bring in Scytl", said John Bodin, Election Trust's Managing Partner. *"Their proven record of securing an auditable online voting environment, coupled with Florida law requiring a voter-verifiable paper record, meant we could demonstrate online voting can be a trusted distance balloting option. That's what ODBP delivered."*

ODBP deployed Okaloosa County poll workers who managed the Kiosk sites, one each in the United Kingdom, Germany and Japan. Registered county voters electronically accessed, voted and submitted their secure and anonymous ballots while verifying a simultaneously produced paper record of their vote. The manual count of the paper records was compared with the electronic tabulation report to validate system performance. The paper records and the *Secured-by-Scytl* distance ballots matched perfectly.

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About Election Trust (www.electiontrust.com)

Election Trust brings together veteran election professionals and proven balloting technology to provide the most innovative, efficient and secure voting solutions available today. In the public sector Election Trust works with government election administrators as a technology consultant and integrator. In the Private Sector it provides end-to-end Third Party balloting management for labor unions, professional associations, credit unions, universities, corporations and cooperatives.

About Scytl Secure Electronic Voting (www.scytl.com)

Scytl is a software company specializing in the development of secure electronic voting solutions that incorporate unique cryptographic protocols that enable all types of electronic voting processes and elections in a completely secure and auditable manner. Scytl's advanced e-voting security technology positions the company as a leader in the e-voting industry protection and privacy.

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