The Sussex County Board of Elections (HC BOE) performed an audit consistent with the provisions of N.J.S.A. 19:61-9.

The General Election held November 2, 2021 was conducted with nine (9) days of early voting using the ESS Express Vote Ballot Marking Devices w/ paper ballots, Vote-By Mail Ballots, Provisional Ballots, and the ESS iVotronics DRE. The ESS iVotronics DRE does not have a verified voter paper trail and are exempt from this audit.

Pursuant to the statute, 2 Units of the paper ballot batches for each Legislative District within Sussex County were to be audited. Sussex County is comprised of one (1) Legislative District 24.

The SC BOE conducted a hand-to-eye count of the paper records for the General Election held November 2, 2021 for the following offices: Governor, State Senate, General Assembly, County Commissioner, County Clerk, Full Term Municipal Race (Township Committee).

Audit units were comprised of early voting ballots, vote-by-mail ballots, and provisional ballots. Based on 119 voting districts in the one Legislative Districts, and 139 total units of paper ballots, 3 Units were required to be audited from Legislative District 24.

The following batches were randomly selected for the audit:

LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT 24:
OGDENSBURG BORO – A0007
WANTAGE TOWNSHIP – A0053
TOWN OF NEWTON – A0058

In each Municipality, the hand to eye audit was 100% consistent with the scanned tally report. Any paper ballot which contained an overvote for a contest recorded it as an overvote and did not count the vote. The audit did not tally undervotes.

Respectfully Submitted November 23, 2021 by:

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