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Dear Mr. Rapp and Mr. Barbian:

As follow-up to the letter I sent yesterday, I'd like to inquire further about allegations that have just been brought to my attention. It appears that officials in Fulton and Henry counties have confirmed that Triad had remote access to tabulating computers controlled by the Boards of Elections. Officials stated that your company did not come into the Board of Elections to adjust the tabulation software because it could be, and had been, done remotely. I would like to know:

- 1. Which Ohio counties can you access remotely?
- 2. Which counties did you access remotely? What changes did you make to software or ballots?

¹Statement of Green Party County Coordinator, Henry County Recount, available at http://www.votecobb.org/recount/ohio_reports/counties/henry.php.

- 3. As discussed in yesterday's letter, did you use your remote access to inquire how machine votes would be counted in order to instruct the board how to manipulate the 3% hand count to avoid a county wide hand count?
- 4. Since voting machines can apparently be accessed over the internet, what steps has your company taken to insure that they are not tampered with?

I was concerned to learn that ballots and the software that contains them is publicly accessible to someone with the technical knowledge to do so. Please include these answers with those in response to yesterday's letter by December 29, 2004. Please respond to me through Perry Apelbaum or Ted Kalo of my Judiciary Committee staff, 2142 Rayburn House Office Building, Washington, D.C. 20515 (tel. 202-225-6504, fax 202-225-4423).

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