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EDITOR'S NOTE: For photos of VR Systems' EVID electronic pollbook, as well as additional product and company details, visit VR Systems' Media Press Kit.

FLORIDA ELECTIONS SOFTWARE LEADER GOES NATIONAL BY ACQUIRING ELECTIONS MANAGEMENT DIVISION OF NORTH CAROLINA COMPANY

TALLAHASSEE, **Fla.** — On the heels of the general election, Florida's premier elections technology company today announced a national expansion with the acquisition of a North Carolina company's elections management division. This move extends and strengthens the company's EViD electronic pollbook market and reseller network, increasing access for elections administrators nationwide to innovations that support more efficient and transparent elections.

Tallahassee-based <u>VR Systems</u>, whose elections software and hardware products operate in 62 of Florida's 67 counties, purchased the elections management assets of <u>Decision Support, LLC</u>, headquartered in Matthews, N.C.

This acquisition aligns with a <u>recent report</u> from <u>the Presidential Commission on Election Administration</u> (<u>PCEA</u>) that recommended the increased use of electronic pollbooks by jurisdictions across the country to improve the accuracy and efficiency of local elections.

"As elections administrators around the U.S. transition to electronic pollbooks or continue to refine their use of the technology, we're ensuring that VR Systems is in a position to meet their needs long-term," said Jane Watson, president and CEO of VR Systems. "With this acquisition, elections administrators around the country can rely on us to offer a range of elections products and services, as well as the promise of longevity and continued innovation."

<u>Electronic pollbooks</u> allow poll workers to locate a voter's information quickly, confirm a voter's registration status and process voters faster and more accurately, which is especially valuable at early voting sites and vote centers that must serve all precincts in a jurisdiction.

VR Systems and Decision Support jointly developed <u>EVID</u> following a 2004 hurricane that disrupted elections in Southwest Florida. EVID streamlines voter verification and check-in by providing complete and improved access to voter registration data, thus maintaining accurate voter information and preventing double voting.

"We are excited about the opportunity this provides to our customers, employees, business partners and the election community across the country," said Mike Sibley, president of Decision Support's Secure Elections Management division.

By combining with Decision Support's markets in North Carolina, Virginia, Indiana, Illinois, California and several other states, VR Systems will now operate in 104 jurisdictions nationwide. The larger company

will support stronger services and a wide range of products that improve the administration of elections nationwide and will allow VR Systems to continue innovating for existing and future customers.

For more information about VR Systems and the future of the electronic pollbook market, visit www.VRSystems.com.

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Based in Tallahassee, Florida, VR Systems has provided state-of-the-art elections software to Supervisor of Elections offices throughout Florida since 1992. Operating in 62 jurisdictions ranging from 1.2 million registered voters to 4,000 registered voters, the company's key products include Voter Focus, Web Focus, ELM System and Electronic Voter Identification (EViD). VR Systems' core mission is to enable elections officials to conduct elections in a professional, efficient and transparent manner.