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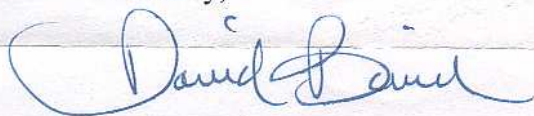
Alan Dechert  
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Dear Mr. Dechert:

Thank you for getting in touch with John Edwards for President Campaign regarding open source voting. The Senator believes, as you do, that we must do more to ensure that every American has an equal say in our democracy. Senator Edwards believes that it is essential that all voting machines produce a verifiable paper ballot. To ensure security, these machines should be programmed with an open source code for complete transparency, and election results should be safeguarded by voter-verified paper records.

Your previous conversations with staffers Peter Hatch and Heather McGhee helped to inform our policy development on open source voting, so thank you. Please keep the campaign posted as you continue your advocacy, and thank you for your support.

Sincerely,



David Bonior  
National Campaign Manager