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Dear Gentlemen:

Thank you for your letter of October 24, 2007, regarding the City of Milwaukee's election preparations and use of Wisconsin's Statewide Voter Registration System (SVRS).

I have responded to Common Council staff and will appear before your Steering & Rules Committee to brief its members about our mutual progress towards, as you said, "a credible, strong election system," on Thursday, November 29, 2007.

At that time, I can also bring you up-to-date on our progress toward formation of the Government Accountability Board. As you probably know, the State Ethics Board and State Elections Board are being merged next year, and I have been appointed to head the new agency.

Thank you for your continuing interest in the integrity of election administration in Wisconsin.

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