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Notice of Random Seed for the Risk-limiting Post-election Audit of Colorado's 2020 General Election

DENVER, November 16, 2020 – Colorado Secretary of State Jena Griswold convened a public meeting today at 9:00 am to establish the random seed for the 2020 General Election risk-limiting audit (RLA). The Secretary of State published public notice of the meeting on November 6, 2020, as required by Election Rule 25.2.2(i).

The random seed is a number consisting of at least 20 digits, with each digit selected in order by sequential rolls of 20 individual 10-sided dice. Secretary of State staff rolled the dice while members of public watched on the live stream.

The random seed established at the November 16th public meeting is:

Roll	#1	#2	#3	#4	#5	#6	#7	#8	#9	#10
Seed	9	2	0	7	6	6	0	2	8	0
Roll	#11	#12	#13	#14	#15	#16	#17	#18	#19	#20
Seed	4	2	7	2	7	8	6	7	0	1

The Secretary of State will publish on the Audit Center of her official website (http://www.sos.state.co.us/pubs/elections/auditCenter.html) this record of the random seed immediately after it is established, as required by Election Rule 25.2.2 (i). In addition, during the process of defining and starting the risk-limiting audit, Elections Division staff members will enter the random seed into the pseudo-random number generator of the Secretary of State's RLA software. Establishing the seed in this manner results in a truly random, but repeatable, selection of individual ballots for each participating county to examine and audit, and ensures the integrity and statistical validity of the risk-limiting audit.

The audit was conducted under software Version 2.3.50 of the Colorado RLA software.