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#### REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANT

To the management of SSL Corp d/b/a SSL.COM Certification Authority ("SSL.COM CA"):

We have examined SSL.COM CA management's <u>assertion</u> that for its Certification Authority (CA) operations at Houston, Texas, as of July 15, 2016 for its root and subordinate CAs listed in <u>Appendix A</u>, SSL.COM CA has:

- disclosed its extended validation SSL ("EV SSL") certificate lifecycle management business practices in its <u>SSL.com Certificate Policy and Certification Practice Statement</u>, <u>Version 1.0</u>, including its commitment to provide EV SSL certificates in conformity with the CA/Browser Forum Guidelines in the SSL.COM CA <u>repository</u>, and provided such services in accordance with its disclosed practices
- suitably designed, and placed into operation, controls to provide reasonable assurance that:
  - the integrity of keys and EV SSL certificates it manages was established and protected throughout their lifecycles; and
  - EV SSL subscriber information was properly authenticated for the registration activities performed by SSL.COM CA

based on the <u>WebTrust Principles and Criteria for Certification Authorities - Extended Validation</u> SSL, Version 1.4.5.

SSL.COM CA's management is responsible for its assertion. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on management's assertion based on our examination.

We conducted our examination in accordance with standards for attestation engagements established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants and, accordingly, included:

- (1) obtaining an understanding of SSL.COM CA's EV SSL certificate lifecycle management business practices, including its relevant controls over the issuance, renewal, and revocation of EV SSL certificates;
- (2) evaluating the suitability of the design of the controls; and
- (3) performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

We believe that our examination provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

We did not perform procedures to determine the operating effectiveness of controls for any period. Accordingly, we express no opinion on the operating effectiveness of any aspects of SSL.COM CA's controls, individually or in the aggregate.



The suitability of the design of the controls at SSL.COM CA and their effect on assessments of control risk for subscribers and relying parties are dependent on their interaction with the controls, and other factors present at individual subscriber and relying party locations. We have performed no procedures to evaluate the suitability of the design of the controls at individual subscriber and relying party locations.

Because of the nature and inherent limitations of controls, SSL.COM CA's ability to meet the aforementioned criteria may be affected. For example, controls may not prevent, or detect and correct, error, fraud, unauthorized access to systems and information, or failure to comply with internal and external policies or requirements. Also, the projection of any conclusions based on our findings to future periods is subject to the risk that changes may alter the validity of such conclusions.

In our opinion, as of July 15, 2016, SSL.COM CA management's assertion, as referred to above, is fairly stated, in all material respects, based on the WebTrust Principles and Criteria for Certification Authorities - Extended Validation SSL, Version 1.4.5.

This report does not include any representation as to the quality of SSL.COM CA's services beyond those covered by the WebTrust Principles and Criteria for Certification Authorities - Extended Validation SSL, Version 1.4.5, nor the suitability of any of SSL.COM CA's services for any customer's intended purpose.

BDO USA, LLP

Certified Public Accountants St. Louis, Missouri July 20, 2016



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#### SSL CORP CA MANAGEMENT'S ASSERTION

SSL Corp d/b/a SSL.COM Certification Authority ("SSL.COM CA") operates the Certification Authority (CA) services known as the root and subordinate CAs included in <a href="Appendix A">Appendix A</a>, and provides Extended Validation SSL ("EV SSL") CA services.

The management of SSL.COM CA is responsible for establishing controls over its EV SSL CA operations, including its EV SSL CA business practices disclosure in its <u>repository</u>, EV SSL key lifecycle management controls, and EV SSL certificate lifecycle management controls. These controls contain monitoring mechanisms, and actions are taken to correct deficiencies identified.

There are inherent limitations in any controls, including the possibility of human error, and the circumvention or overriding of controls. Accordingly, controls placed into operation can only provide reasonable assurance with respect to SSL.COM CA's Certification Authority operations.

SSL.COM CA management has assessed its disclosures of its certificate practices and controls over its EV SSL CA services. Based on that assessment, in SSL.COM CA management's opinion, in providing its EV SSL Certification Authority services at Houston, Texas, as of July 15, 2016, SSL.COM CA has:

- disclosed its EV SSL certificate lifecycle management business practices in its <u>SSL.com</u> <u>Certificate Policy and Certification Practice Statement, Version 1.0</u>, including its commitment to provide EV SSL certificates in conformity with the CA/Browser Forum Guidelines on the SSL.COM CA repository, and provided such services in accordance with its disclosed practices
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based on the WebTrust Principles and Criteria for Certification Authorities - Extended Validation SSL, Version 1.4.5.

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### APPENDIX A - IN-SCOPE CAS

Root CAs	Root CA Serial Numbers
SSL.com EV Root Certification Authority RSA	1d 6c 11 eb 6f da 39 9d
SSL.com EV Root Certification Authority ECC	2c 29 9c 5b 16 ed 05 95
CertLock EV Root Certification Authority RSA	7c fd ae b1 74 65 ee f1
CertLock EV Root Certification Authority ECC	2e 76 4b e9 e9 15 34 58

Subordinate CAs	Subordinate CAs Serial Numbers
SSL.com EV RSA SSL subCA	4e 1a c0 91 94 f3 e9 16
SSL.com EV ECC SSL subCA	38 8e 0e ab 0d d6 dc 5d
CertLock EV RSA SSL subCA	02 5b b7 0a ba 7e 81 a8
CertLock EV ECC SSL subCA	58 55 26 ee 2d af 63 d3

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