

## **REPORT OF INDEPENDENT CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS**

To the Management of IdenTrust Services, LLC:

We have examined the <u>assertion by the management</u> of IdenTrust Services, LLC ("IdenTrust") that IdenTrust's controls over its Certification Authority (CA) services ("IdenTrust's EV SSL Certificate practices" or "EV SSL practices") were suitably designed to meet the WebTrust<sup>®</sup> for Certification Authorities – Extended Validation SSL Audit Criteria version 1.4.5 as of November 4, 2016. IdenTrust's management is responsible for its assertion. Our responsibility is to express an opinion based on our examination.

Our examination was conducted in accordance with attestation standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants (AICPA), and accordingly, included (1) obtaining an understanding of IdenTrust's EV SSL Certificate practices and procedures and 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.

In our opinion, as of November 4, 2016, IdenTrust's management's assertion, as set forth in the first paragraph, is fairly stated, in all material respects, based on the WebTrust Principles and Criteria for Certification Authorities – Extended Validation SSL – Version 1.4.5.

Management recently placed its EV SSL practices in operation in November 2016. 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 IdenTrust's controls for its EV SSL practices, individually or in the aggregate.

Because of the nature and inherent limitations of controls, IdenTrust'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.

The relative effectiveness and significance of specific controls at IdenTrust 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 effectiveness of controls at individual subscriber and relying party locations.

This report does not include any representation as to the quality of IdenTrust'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 IdenTrust's services for any customer's intended purpose.

Scheuman & Company, LLC

Schellman & Company, LLC Certified Public Accountants Tampa, Florida December 8, 2016



## ASSERTION OF MANAGEMENT AS TO ITS DISCLOSURE OF ITS PRACTICES AND ITS CONTROLS OVER ITS EXTENDED VALIDATION SSL CERTIFICATION AUTHORITY OPERATIONS AS OF NOVEMBER 4, 2016

December 8, 2016

Management has assessed the controls over its EV SSL CA operations. Based on that assessment, in IdenTrust management's opinion, in providing its CA services at its primary and secondary locations, IdenTrust, as of November 4, 2016:

- Disclosed its EV SSL Certificate practices and procedures and its commitment to provide EV SSL Certificates in conformity with the applicable CA/Browser Forum Guidelines
- Maintained effective controls to provide reasonable assurance that:
  - EV Subscriber information was properly collected, authenticated (for the registration activities performed by the CA) and verified;
  - The integrity of keys and EV SSL certificates it manages is established and protected throughout their life cycles;

for its root CA

• IdenTrust Commercial Root CA 1

and associated subordinate CA

• TrustID Server CA A52

for the program known as TrustID, based on the WebTrust Principles and Criteria for Certification Authorities – Extended Validation SSL – Version 1.4.5.

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