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Report of Independent Accountants

To the Management of Web.com Group, Inc.

We have examined the accompanying assertion made by the management of Web.com Group, Inc. ("Web.com" the parent company of "Network Solutions"), titled *Management's Assertion Regarding the Effectiveness of its Controls over the Extended Validation Operation Based on the WebTrust Principles and Criteria for Certification Authorities – Extended Validation SSL v1.6.2* that provides Network Solutions' Extended Validation (EV) Secure Socket Layer (SSL) Certification Authority (CA) services at Herndon, Virginia, United States , and the data centers and back-end office support locations listed in Appendix A, for the Root and Subordinate Keys listed in Appendix B throughout the period April 1, 2019 to March 31, 2020 Web.com has:

- Disclosed Network Solutions' EV SSL certificate lifecycle management business practices in its *Certificate Practice Statement (Version 3.1)* including its commitment to provide EV SSL certificates in conformity with the CA/Browser Forum Requirements on the Network Solutions website, and provided such services in accordance with its disclosed practices
- Maintained effective controls to provide reasonable assurance that:
  - The integrity of keys and EV SSL certificates it manages is established and protected throughout their lifecycles; and
  - EV SSL subscriber information is properly authenticated (for the registration activities performed by Network Solutions

based on the *WebTrust Principles and Criteria for Certification Authorities – Extended Validation SSL v1.6.2*.

Web.com's management is responsible for its assertion and for specifying the aforementioned Criteria. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on management's assertion based on our examination.

Our examination was conducted in accordance with attestation standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants (AICPA). Those standards require that we plan and perform the examination to obtain reasonable assurance about whether management's assertion is fairly stated, in all material respects. An examination involves performing procedures to obtain evidence about management's assertion. The nature, timing, and extent of the procedures selected depend on our judgment, including an assessment of the risks of material misstatement of management's assertion, whether due to fraud or error. We believe that the evidence we obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

Web.com's management has disclosed to us the attached matters (Appendix C) that have been posted publicly in the online forums of the CA/Browser Forum, as well as the online forums of individual internet browsers that comprise the CA/Browser Forum. We have considered the nature of these matters in determining the nature, timing and extent of our procedures.

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The relative effectiveness and significance of specific controls at Network Solutions 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.

Our examination was not conducted for the purpose of evaluating Network Solutions' cybersecurity risk management program. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion or any other form of assurance on its cybersecurity risk management program.

There are inherent limitations in the effectiveness of any system of internal control, including the possibility of human error and the circumvention of controls. Because of inherent limitations in its internal control, Network Solutions may achieve reasonable, but not absolute assurance that all security events are prevented and, for those controls may provide reasonable, but not absolute assurance that its commitments and system requirements are achieved. 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.

Examples of inherent limitations of internal controls related to security include (a) vulnerabilities in information technology components as a result of design by their manufacturer or developer; (b) breakdown of internal control at a vendor or business partner; and (c) persistent attackers with the resources to use advanced technical means and sophisticated social engineering techniques specifically targeting the entity. Furthermore, the projection of any evaluations of effectiveness to future periods is subject to the risk that controls may become inadequate because of changes in conditions, that the degree of compliance with such controls may deteriorate, or that changes made to the system or controls, or the failure to make needed changes to the system or controls, may alter the validity of such evaluations.

In our opinion, Web.com management's assertion referred to above is fairly stated, in all material respects, based on the aforementioned criteria.

The WebTrust seal of assurance for certification authorities on Network Solutions' Web site constitutes a symbolic representation of the contents of this report and it is not intended, nor should it be construed, to update this report or provide any additional assurance.

This report does not include any representation as to the quality of Network Solutions' CA services beyond those covered by the *WebTrust Principles and Criteria for Certification Authorities – Extended Validation SSL v1.6.2* criteria, or the suitability of any of Network Solutions' services for any customer's intended purpose.

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Management's Assertion Regarding the Effectiveness of Its Controls Over the Extended Validation Operation Based on the WebTrust Principles and Criteria for Certification Authorities – Extended Validation SSL v1.6.2

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We, as the management of Web.com Group, Inc, ("Web.com" the parent company of "Network Solutions") are responsible for operating the Network Solutions' Extended Validation (EV) SSL Certification Authority (CA) services at Herndon, Virginia, United States and the data centers and back-end office support locations listed at Appendix A for the Root CAs and Subordinate CAs listed in Appendix B.

Management of Web.com is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective controls over Network Solutions' CA operations. These controls contain monitoring mechanisms, and actions are taken to correct deficiencies identified.

Controls have inherent limitations, including the possibility of human error and the circumvention or overriding of controls. Accordingly, even effective controls can provide only reasonable assurance with respect to Network Solutions' CA operations. Furthermore, because of changes in conditions, the effectiveness of controls may vary over time.

Management of Web.com has assessed the disclosures of its certificate practices and controls over Network Solutions' EV SSL CA services. Based on that assessment, in providing Network Solutions' EV SSL Certification Authority (CA) services at Herndon, Virginia, United States throughout the period from April 1, 2019 through March 31, 2020, Network Solutions has:

- Disclosed its EV SSL certificate lifecycle management business practices in its *Certificate Practice Statement (Version 3.1)* including its commitment to provide EV SSL certificates in conformity with the CA/Browser Forum Requirements on the Network Solution's website, and provided such services in accordance with its disclosed practices
- Maintained effective 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 Network Solution

for the Root CA(s) and Subordinate CA(s) in scope for EV SSL Baseline Requirements and Network Security Requirements at Appendix B, based on the *WebTrust Principles and Criteria for Certification Authorities – Extended Validation SSL v1.6.2*

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Appendix A

Locations

Location	Function
Secaucus, NJ USA	Data Center
Manchester, UK	Data Center
Bradford, UK	Back End Office Support
Manchester, UK	Back End Office Support
Roseland, NJ USA	Back End Office Support
Murray, UT USA	Back End Office Support
Kanata, ON Canada	Back End Office Support
Chennai, IN	Back End Office Support
Odessa, Ukraine	Back End Office Support

Appendix B

Root and Subordinate Keys

#	Root/Subordinate Name	Subject Key Identifier	Certificate Serial Number	SHA-256 Fingerprint
1	CN=Network Solutions ECC DV Server CA O=Network Solutions L.L.C. L=Jacksonville ST=FL C=US	894A8964B520B7FA51EE85AC729AEA3BF654FE1E	008521621AD08BC6BF0F069D956C51BD33	6A7204D6F6E852A914CC0AE45AFAD91FA28D1AA4ECA3844097A929A8E11F3A17
2	CN=Network Solutions ECC EV Server CA O=Network Solutions L.L.C. L=Jacksonville ST=FL C=US	2B0B089803B61DFD0C43ECD788CB7FDA1DDFEE71	1850470B6B8C610DDE23FCC047FEA039	875FD03C6C1AA2E80C8E8467E99192A3A55D51B1F9DABAE1E6821F56C4E1E783
3	CN=Network Solutions ECC OV Server CA O=Network Solutions L.L.C. L=Jacksonville ST=FL C=US	09ED181B676853F44FC00BD3DDDFFB3790EBD779	372175802BAB5311D1362884C3AE7621	1C8CF4171AE81798EB7C85DA604D8C21076D769119471E5B476C91858A4850E9
4	CN=Network Solutions RSA DV Server CA O=Network Solutions L.L.C. L=Jacksonville ST=FL C=US	713060A80D017902590D77E151DB51E2F46CD391	759D11B752DD4B9E241CC270F824114B	7752EE9D27528294579E449BE6AB07D720BDEAE3A5E39C05AF7F26C2D431BEFF
5	CN=Network Solutions RSA EV Server CA O=Network Solutions L.L.C. L=Jacksonville ST=FL C=US	3A4079DD980526A4F09A2AF135DCAB8554723AEE	4B8427B828A7B1D89BD473C1373C6DBA	CB5535486404A82E5079AF0F9CCB7EA3DFFDF9DA4FC925B711062249E6502851
6	CN=Network Solutions RSA OV Server CA O=Network Solutions L.L.C. L=Jacksonville ST=FL C=US	CE95DAA4FC31D3B6150636184E96AC56EDFA44D5	202516B004AD5FC2698D9549005A5876	CB0BADA3AD53A99B4B7A96020C2869A43E2DB2D0183263F3303AC7E41877A665
7	CN=Network Solutions Certificate Authority O=Network Solutions L.L.C. C=US	2130C9FB00D74E98DA87AA2AD0A72EB14031A74C	57CB336FC25C16E6471617E3903168E0	15F0BA00A3AC7AF3AC884C072B1011A077BD77C097F40164B2F8598ABD83860C
8	CN=Network Solutions Certificate Authority O=Network Solutions L.L.C. C=US	2130C9FB00D74E98DA87AA2AD0A72EB14031A74C	1CA02DC1523B6A6D8B5C1F954AEDAC30	001686CD181F83A1B1217D305B365C41E3470A78A1D37B134A98CD547B92DAB3
9	CN=Network Solutions EV Server CA O=Network Solutions L.L.C. C=US	8A35E4353ABC11A19EFBF54F3466D54BAC4C6268	7AACA21D539D1454113C045ED835F8EA	29F8C1CEB1ABB0D7164791FF13B4FD268631A882F89FE658A4B5EC5172774B8B
10	CN=Network Solutions EV SSL CA O=Network Solutions L.L.C. C=US	B64E859D841F1B1DD452894E07962DF9DEF18FCC	331F38D107F33B3B1750C4CB09FED18D	A8FC6359078323A2541752386694FA643F1434EA063BEBAC6EF0D189E3676915
11	CN=Network Solutions EV SSL CA O=Network Solutions L.L.C. C=US	B64E859D841F1B1DD452894E07962DF9DEF18FCC	2810921E00E65D225321CF627BFE30EE	4CC308DA28285A18542200EAB3C61DE7387B06667A6CB6574794A70FE1DEF928

#	Root/Subordinate Name	Subject Key Identifier	Certificate Serial Number	SHA-256 Fingerprint
12	CN=Network Solutions EV Server CA 2 O=Network Solutions L.L.C. L=Herndon ST=VA C=US	8F374A849CF48EC7669690B4AE8FBA5EA216AAC4	548E7BA0C030C65DBE531C9C362F2F6C	799E20564D45484DFA0F28ED726037FF070D66C51DE8E2343284DECAB0FC9991
13	CN=Network Solutions ECC Certificate Authority O=Network Solutions L.L.C. L=Jacksonville ST=FL C=US	9B7BEBC8FF83F2529847300A56F838BEE3EB00CE	79384BB4191A8D7422CCFF8532F2E4BA	2193CFEA381211A1AEAA2DE984E630643A87160B1208118145EAFB8E1BC69958
14	CN=Network Solutions RSA Certificate Authority O=Network Solutions L.L.C. L=Jacksonville ST=FL C=US	0FF14A4A757405110C1DD85B99EBBFFEAA7D5ED7	4C034BAC67184C7FAF44084D8296C7B2	DDBF149733BC2BF8A09D7F012B01A6DEA11D7BAE26713783EF6407A2495BF189
15	CN=Network Solutions Certificate Authority O=Network Solutions L.L.C. C=US	2130C9FB00D74E98DA87AA2AD0A72EB14031A74C	00B98E43FE6389E86B2F6435795982696F	5DCF76EC8C7A84D94C7C9BFFDE0C9D45389AC618D11D343BD6A5EBA5BFC6F438
16	CN=Network Solutions Certificate Authority O=Network Solutions L.L.C. C=US	2130C9FB00D74E98DA87AA2AD0A72EB14031A74C	5DC9729CEA8A795A17EEDBBFCC28214B	1F32401D449A0619F30800D11A4F502DB49E0B332423F778BD522991FB6E0147
17	CN=Network Solutions Certificate Authority O=Network Solutions L.L.C. C=US	2130C9FB00D74E98DA87AA2AD0A72EB14031A74C	030E95294DAEC12C03CF31AB5B0271D7	C445D7EAA6F236F4CFC23AD1C2F8403BF733AE87E0E6FF5892C926044370FB48
18	CN=Network Solutions Certificate Authority O=Network Solutions L.L.C. C=US	2130C9FB00D74E98DA87AA2AD0A72EB14031A74C	3985F289EFE5B9FEFFDA7DDBDC9D0F41	462B93B27711E4A61B4EEF99A37C3392017436791402291 8E7749A069AFE56EE
19	CN=Network Solutions Certificate Authority O=Network Solutions L.L.C. C=US	2130C9FB00D74E98DA87AA2AD0A72EB14031A74C	54833A5DF96BD642ECC60CDDA03CE9E9	D5E71937C7383DE159BB8F8DB8949AFC8DE08FF8BC7D7E1D0CBEDB6FB8317F9A
20	CN=Network Solutions Certificate Authority O=Network Solutions L.L.C. C=US	2130C9FB00D74E98DA87AA2AD0A72EB14031A74C	5468B579749F60FFFE9336D1C362AF2E	82A6C3EDE04772D1336B99BE2DC2D8B6D49BBECE1AD9D1E1FF8E4253A70BF1EA

Appendix C

Public Disclosures

No.	Disclosure	Relevant WebTrust criteria	Publicly Disclosed Link
1	Web.com added two additional root certificates, ECC and RSA to their existing roots for the purpose of upgrading towards SHA-2 certificates using ECC and RSA encryption, to be included in Mozilla's CA certificate list maintained in NSS	N/A – Web.com has shared the open request in the interest of transparency and knowledge sharing	Bugzilla Link
2	Web.com published self-signed certificates for one of the CA keys which were not included in Sectigo' s disclosure list and as a result led to inconsistencies between self-signed and cross – signed versions of those CA keys	N/A – Web.com has shared the issue in the interest of transparency and knowledge sharing	Bugzilla Link