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**Assertion of Management as to
its Disclosure of its Business Practices and its Controls
over its Extended Validation Certification Authority Operations**

Since October 2006 SwissSign AG has established Certification Services as CSP (Certificate Service Provider) for certificate according to the Swiss and European digital Signature Acts:

- SR 943.032.1 – Certification services in the domain of the electronic signature
- ETSI TS 101.456 – Policy Requirements for CA's issuing Qualified Certificates
- ETSI TS 102.042 – Policy Requirements for CA's issuing Public Key Certificates

In 2006 KPMG Klynveld Peat Marwick Goerdeler SA confirmed that the CSP certification has built up an equivalent Web-Trust standardization environment. The compliance of the standards on the basis of on-site audits and documentation reviews were implemented and are of equal status to a Web-Trust certification. SwissSign AG started issuing certificates in different trust levels up to Qualified. SwissSing AG decided to expand its services to EV Certificates for its business customers.

Management of SwissSign AG has been responsible for establishing and maintaining effective controls over its CA services, located in Glattbrugg, Switzerland. The infrastructure is yearly reviewed by internal and external Audit and non-compliances are resolved in a timely manner.

Management has assessed the practices, procedures and controls over SwissSign AG EV-CA services that are based on the SwissSign Services. Based on that assessment, in SwissSign Management's opinion, in developing its EV-CA Certificate Services at Glattbrugg, during the period from July 18 2008 to June 30 2010, SwissSign has:

- Disclosed its EV Certificates life cycle management practices and procedures, including its commitment to provide EV Certificates in conformity with the CA/Browser Forum Guidelines, and provide such services in accordance with its disclosed practices.
- Maintained effective Controls to provide reasonable assurance that:
 - o EV Subscriber information was properly collected, authenticated (for the registration activities performed by SwissSign AG and its RA Partners) and verified, and
 - o the integrity of keys and EV certificates it manages is established and protected throughout their life cycles.

In accordance with the WebTrust for Certificate Authorities Extended Validation Audit Criteria.

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