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#### **Report of Independent Accountants**

To the Management of Google Trust Services LLC and Google Trust Services Europe Limited:

#### Scope

We have examined the accompanying assertion made by the management of Google Trust Services LLC and Google Trust Services Europe Limited (collectively, GTS), titled Management's Assertion Regarding the Effectiveness of Its Controls Over the Certificate Authority Operations Based on the WebTrust Services Principles and Criteria for Certification Authorities Version 2.2.2 that for its Certification Authority (CA) operations at New York, USA, South Carolina, USA, Oklahoma, USA, Ghlin, Belgium, and Zurich, Switzerland, for the Root and Subordinate CAs referenced in Appendix A, during the period from September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2024, GTS has:

- Disclosed its business, key lifecycle management, certificate lifecycle management, and CA environmental control practices in the applicable versions of GTS' Certification Practice Statement ("CPS"), TLS Certificate Policy ("TLS CP"), and S/MIME Certificate Policy ("S/MIME CP") as referenced in **Appendix B**.
- Maintained effective controls to provide reasonable assurance that:
  - o GTS' Certification Practice Statement is consistent with its Certificate Policy; and
  - GTS provides its services in accordance with its Certificate Policy and Certification **Practice Statement**
- Maintained effective controls to provide reasonable assurance that:
  - the integrity of keys and certificates it manages is established and protected throughout their life cycles
  - the Subscriber information is properly authenticated (for the registration activities performed by GTS); and
  - subordinate CA certificate requests are accurate, authenticated and approved
- Maintained effective controls to provide reasonable assurance that:
  - logical and physical access to CA systems and data is restricted to authorized individuals
  - the continuity of key and certificate management operations is maintained; and



 CA systems development, maintenance and operations are properly authorized and performed to maintain CA systems integrity

based on the WebTrust Services Principles and Criteria for Certification Authorities Version 2.2.2.

#### Management's responsibilities

GTS' management is responsible for its assertion, including the fairness of its presentation, and the provision of its described services in accordance with the *WebTrust Services Principles and Criteria for Certification Authorities Version 2.2.2.* 

GTS does not escrow its CA keys, does not provide subscriber key generation services, does not provide subscriber key storage and recovery services, does not support integrated circuit card (ICC) life cycle management, does not provide certificate suspension services, does not provide external subordinate CA certificate services, and does not issue Extended Validation (EV) certificates. Further, GTS does not support certificate renewal or suspension. Accordingly, our examination did not extend to controls that would address those criteria.

#### Our responsibilities

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on GTS 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 our 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 risk of material misstatement, 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

The relative effectiveness and significance of specific controls at GTS 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. Our examination did not extend to controls at individual subscriber and relying party locations and we have not evaluated the effectiveness of such controls.

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

We are required to be independent of GTS and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, as applicable for examination engagements set forth in the Preface: Applicable to All Members and Part 1 – Members in Public Practice of the Code of Professional Conduct established by the AICPA.



#### Other matters

GTS's management has disclosed to us matters referenced in **Appendix C** that the Company has 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 our risk assessment and in determining the nature, timing, and extent of our procedures.

#### Inherent limitations

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, GTS 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. Further, 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.

#### Opinion

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

This report does not include any representation as to the quality of GTS's CA services beyond those covered by the *WebTrust Services Principles and Criteria for Certification Authorities Version 2.2.2.* criteria, or the suitability of any of GTS's services for any customer's intended purpose.

GTS' use of the WebTrust for Certification Authorities Seal 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.

October 3, 2024

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# Management's Assertion Regarding the Effectiveness of Its Controls Over the Certificate Authority Operations Based on the WebTrust Services Principles and Criteria for Certification Authorities Version 2.2.2

We, as management of Google Trust Services LLC and Google Trust Services Europe Limited (collectively, GTS), are responsible for operating a Certification Authority (CA) at New York, USA, South Carolina, USA, Oklahoma, USA, Ghlin, Belgium, and Zurich, Switzerland for the Root CAs and Subordinate CAs listed in **Appendix A**.

GTS' CA services provide the following certification authority services:

- Subscriber registration
- Certificate rekey
- Certificate issuance
- Certificate distribution
- Certificate revocation
- Certificate validation

Management of GTS is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective controls over its CA operations, including its CA business practices disclosure on its website, CA business practices management, CA environmental controls, CA key lifecycle management controls, and 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, even effective controls can provide only reasonable assurance with respect to GTS' CA operations. Furthermore, because of changes in conditions, the effectiveness of controls may vary over time.

Management of GTS has assessed the disclosure of its certificate practices and its controls over its CA services. Based on that assessment, in GTS Management's opinion, in providing its CA services for the Root CA(s) and Subordinate CA(s) listed in **Appendix A** at New York, USA, South Carolina, USA, Oklahoma, USA, Ghlin, Belgium and Zurich, Switzerland locations during the period from September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2024, GTS has:

- Disclosed its business, key lifecycle management, certificate lifecycle management, and CA environmental control practices in the applicable versions of GTS' Certification Practice Statement ("CPS"), TLS Certificate Policy ("TLS CP"), and S/MIME Certificate Policy ("S/MIME CP") as referenced in **Appendix B**.
- Maintained effective controls to provide reasonable assurance that:
  - o GTS' Certification Practice Statement is consistent with its Certificate Policy; and
  - GTS provides its services in accordance with its Certificate Policy and Certification Practice Statement



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- Maintained effective controls to provide reasonable assurance that:
  - the integrity of keys and certificates it manages is established and protected throughout their life cycles;
  - the Subscriber information is properly authenticated (for the registration activities performed by GTS); and
  - subordinate CA certificate requests are accurate, authenticated and approved
- Maintained effective controls to provide reasonable assurance that:
  - logical and physical access to CA systems and data is restricted to authorized individuals;
  - o the continuity of key and certificate management operations is maintained; and
  - CA systems development, maintenance and operations are properly authorized and performed to maintain CA systems integrity

based on the <u>WebTrust Services Principles and Criteria for Certification Authorities Version 2.2.2</u> including the following:

#### **CA Business Practices Disclosure**

- Certification Practice Statement (CPS)
- Certificate Policy (CP)

#### **CA Business Practices Management**

- Certificate Policy Management
- Certification Practice Statement Management
- CP and CPS Consistency

#### **CA Environmental Controls**

- Security Management
- Asset Classification and Management
- Personnel Security
- Physical & Environmental Security
- Operations Management
- System Access Management
- System Development, Maintenance, and Change Management
- Disaster Recovery, Backups, and Business Continuity Management
- Monitoring and Compliance
- Audit Logging

### **CA Key Lifecycle Management Controls**

- CA Key Generation
- CA Key Storage, Backup, and Recovery



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- CA Public Key Distribution
- CA Key Usage
- CA Key Archival and Destruction
- CA Key Compromise
- CA Cryptographic Hardware Lifecycle Management
- CA Key Transportation
- CA Key Migration

#### **Certificate Lifecycle Management Controls**

- Subscriber Registration
- Certificate Rekey
- Certificate Issuance
- Certificate Distribution
- Certificate Revocation
- Certificate Validation

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# Appendix A:

Table 1: Root CAs

Root Name	Subject Key Identifier	Certificate Serial Number	SHA256 Fingerprint	Applicable Notes
CN=GlobalSign OU=GlobalSign ECC Root CA - R4 O=GlobalSign	54B07BAD45B8 E2407FFB0A6EF BBE33C93CA38 4D5	0203E57EF53F93F DA50921B2A6	B085D70B964F191A73E4AF0D54AE7A0E07AAFDAF9B71DD0 862138AB7325A24A2	
CN=GlobalSign OU=GlobalSign ECC Root CA - R4 O=GlobalSign	54B07BAD45B8 E2407FFB0A6EF BBE33C93CA38 4D5	2A38A41C960A04 DE42B228A50BE8 349802	BEC94911C2955676DB6C0A550986D76E3BA005667C442C97 62B4FBB773DE228C	Historical Root CA Certificate
CN=GTS Root R1 O=Google Trust Services LLC C=US	E4AF2B26711A2 B4827852F5266 2CEFF08913713 E	0203E5936F31B01 349886BA217	D947432ABDE7B7FA90FC2E6B59101B1280E0E1C7E4E40FA 3C6887FFF57A7F4CF	
CN=GTS Root R1 O=Google Trust Services LLC C=US	E4AF2B26711A2 B4827852F5266 2CEFF08913713 E	6E47A9C54B470C 0DEC33D089B91C F4E1	2A575471E31340BC21581CBD2CF13E158463203ECE94BCF9 D3CC196BF09A5472	Historical Root CA Certificate
CN=GTS Root R2 O=Google Trust Services LLC C=US	BBFFCA8E239F 4F99CADBE268 A6A51527171ED 90E	0203E5AEC58D04 251AAB1125AA	8D25CD97229DBF70356BDA4EB3CC734031E24CF00FAFCF D32DC76EB5841C7EA8	
CN=GTS Root R2 O=Google Trust Services LLC C=US	BBFFCA8E239F 4F99CADBE268 A6A51527171ED 90E	6E47A9C65AB3E7 20C5309A3F6852F 26F	C45D7BB08E6D67E62E4235110B564E5F78FD92EF058C840A EA4E6455D7585C60	Historical Root CA Certificate
CN=GTS Root R3 O=Google Trust Services LLC C=US	C1F126BAA02D AE8581CFD3F12 A12BDB80A67F DBC	0203E5B882EB20F 825276D3D66	34D8A73EE208D9BCDB0D956520934B4E40E69482596E8B6F 73C8426B010A6F48	

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CN=GTS Root R3 O=Google Trust Services LLC C=US	C1F126BAA02D AE8581CFD3F12 A12BDB80A67F DBC	6E47A9C76CA973 2440890F0355DD8 D1D	15D5B8774619EA7D54CE1CA6D0B0C403E037A917F131E8A 04E1E6B7A71BABCE5	Historical Root CA Certificate
CN=GTS Root R4 O=Google Trust Services LLC C=US	804CD6EB74FF4 936A3D5D8FCB 53EC56AF0941D 8C	0203E5C068EF631 A9C72905052	349DFA4058C5E263123B398AE795573C4E1313C83FE68F93 556CD5E8031B3C7D	
CN=GTS Root R4 O=Google Trust Services LLC C=US	804CD6EB74FF4 936A3D5D8FCB 53EC56AF0941D 8C	6E47A9C88B94B6 E8BB3B2AD8A2B2 C199	71CCA5391F9E794B04802530B363E121DA8A3043BB26662F EA4DCA7FC951A4BD	Historical Root CA Certificate

Table 2: Subordinate CAs

Subordinate Name	Subject Key Identifier	Certificate Serial Number	SHA256 Fingerprint
CN=AE1 O=Google Trust Services C=US	488960F9A37 D0CEA0024A2 DC9F07CE468 8A8323A	7FF4E5CE36A6 A1FA5EE1916C0 8D39B7C	812C212E9E45DC5005C7F47411183F5FB2FF1BAEE184D3354B2E93D78C280164
CN=GTS CA 1C3 O=Google Trust Services LLC C=US	8A747FAF85C DEE95CD3D9 CD0E24614F3 71351D27	0203BC53596B3 4C718F5015066	23ECB03EEC17338C4E33A6B48A41DC3CDA12281BBC3FF813C0589D6CC2387522
CN=GTS CA 1D4 O=Google Trust Services LLC C=US	25E2180EB25 791942AE5D4 5D869083DE5 3B3B892	02008EB202333 6658B64CDDB9 B	64E286B76063602A372EFD60CDE8DB2656A49EE15E84254B3D6EB5FE38F4288B
CN=GTS CA 1D9 O=Google Trust Services LLC C=US	4AD0A481556 E16D70B2578 5FAA9C39180 53BA0AE	7F57F38B77116 2561FB3C18D61 E5D8B9	02609E88979FC6862EA1571F3BC6DF6C70F2FE9277473E43FE04C3597C43431D
CN=GTS CA 1P5 O=Google Trust Services LLC C=US	D5FC9E0DDF1 ECADD089797 6E2BC55FC52 BF5ECB8	0203BC50A3275 3F0918022EDF1	97D42003E132552946097F20EF955F5B1CD570AA4372D780033A65EFBE69758D
CN=GTS CA 2A1 O=Google Trust Services LLC C=US	931863911776 9A5AE63B7F2 E338384866B1 ED4F9	02008EB258E7B 5940C1FF90044	11C697878732056DE17C1DA134E9D2B6D23CF1DE95B3FB0A4D18A517AB63230A
CN=GTS CA 2D5 O=Google Trust Services LLC C=US	1556BFF2453E 18C48E15C60 F3EC721284B 0A857C	7F57F3C4CA39F 4BEC6649F26E7 7E82D4	EDBCDD01698D83EAFA1E3D38F017B3AD96B2D8D88E746C58011CEE0EF106939C

Subordinate Name	Subject Key Identifier	Certificate Serial Number	SHA256 Fingerprint
CN=GTS CA 2D6 O=Google Trust Services LLC C=US	FAD34FA04DE 872A65A16C1 2DF60A0EE46 821AE7E	7F57F3D2EAF1 C0CBA691B003 C9FBD0A4	F5D12415A12C07FDE93BD6F9E4E4588E03D20596E4F8A5E9D213A83364BCEE71
CN=GTS CA 2P2 O=Google Trust Services LLC C=US	8723A950480E 0789540A7130 F633D20A47F 69DAC	02166825E17004 40612491F540	3647AAC2B282BC941FE7A642E3DCB99CFC5B3C6DCE944A1E96F8028E89B7B090
CN=GTS Root R1 O=Google Trust Services LLC C=US	E4AF2B26711 A2B4827852F5 2662CEFF089 13713E	77BD0D6CDB36 F91AEA210FC4F 058D30D	3EE0278DF71FA3C125C4CD487F01D774694E6FC57E0CD94C24EFD769133918E5
CN=GTS Root R4 O=Google Trust Services LLC C=US	804CD6EB74F F4936A3D5D8 FCB53EC56AF 0941D8C	7FE530BF33134 3BEDD82161049 3D8A1B	76B27B80A58027DC3CF1DA68DAC17010ED93997D0B603E2FADBE85012493B5A7
CN=MR1 O=Google Trust Services C=US	9A541A6669C 30CDA535C16 536A13FE620 E803FF1	7FF4E5CF7619B 94F30F8A47FF8 749148	BDF40C618E862D9B6B52718A1FB35BB951DFDBD2428B17D8A3FC64DF9E5DF355
CN=WE1 O=Google Trust Services C=US	9077923567C4 FFA8CCA9E67 BD980797BCC 93F938	7FF31977972C2 24A76155D13B6 D685E3	1DFC1605FBAD358D8BC844F76D15203FAC9CA5C1A79FD4857FFAF2864FBEBF96
CN=WE1 O=Google Trust Services C=US	9077923567C4 FFA8CCA9E67 BD980797BCC 93F938	7FF357689BC24 E302D90E18A41 BD0E1F	A287FFAB762CC69A26D482037EDF701F653CE899025C62A7E5CB88BB9B419CBB
CN=WE2 O=Google Trust Services C=US	75BEC477AE8 9F644377DCF B1681F1D1AE BDC3459	7FF32D6B409D1 5D5965B05873A 7C72E0	9C3F2FD11C57D7C649AD5A0932C0F0D29756F6A0A1C74C43E1E89A62D64CD320

Subordinate Name	Subject Key Identifier	Certificate Serial Number	SHA256 Fingerprint
CN=WE2 O=Google Trust Services C=US	75BEC477AE8 9F644377DCF B1681F1D1AE BDC3459	7FF3577FF63C7 CA37E0642F8C8 B86290	54F8CA858BCC7591F28D8DC3772E9BC581717F3A23A288BFD405939C36208DE5
CN=WE3 O=Google Trust Services C=US	36B62CCEA3B 4D0409045F38 B4581C1C8E3 19D46D	7FF32D6DBD5E DD54CA4E4B67 95729143	9F819A4C876E12DC84E6FE0E37C1A69B137094B453FA98449398F4B71F4D0092
CN=WE3 O=Google Trust Services C=US	36B62CCEA3B 4D0409045F38 B4581C1C8E3 19D46D	7FF357910F07E 1929F3D0084AE F198C7	54C660DA29D75FC81F07AD6DC8BB7AEE2258E071E8B1077544FA5622FF44C99D
CN=WE4 O=Google Trust Services C=US	6DE7D465B43 8575695CDE5 B4775A360AD E7D52A6	7FF32D70BBD1 A7309B5732500 AC99AAE	D0C97E56C7B0BA812D944AD771F7799B5D4144A2327A4E416554F7EE2AA0AEAE
CN=WE4 O=Google Trust Services C=US	6DE7D465B43 8575695CDE5 B4775A360AD E7D52A6	7FF357A2DCFA 8935B32362F61 523B3A7	9D5E86906A1680A86BE278CF76E3D2B62B775186101461D303CEE910D94CE13A
CN=WE5 O=Google Trust Services C=US	D465CB38C72 53C286BE97E 43C3A1A1B8E 44C68A0	7FF4E5CBECD9 81F2ADFA08913 CEFAB14	847409E63526F162753AC49F75218EFAAFA7D5C94ADE9095CE72E7F6B6E3AC99
CN=WR1 O=Google Trust Services C=US	666949D4DE2 A9C9103CF89 0E24B80E300 36E882E	7FD9E2C2D2048 A0474B627A26D 0868A7	B10B6F00E609509E8700F6D34687A2BFCE38EA05A8FDF1CDC40C3A2A0D0D0E45
CN=WR2 O=Google Trust Services C=US	DE1B1EED791 5D43E3724C3 21BBEC34396 D42B230	7FF005A07C4C DED100AD9D66 A5107B98	E6FE22BF45E4F0D3B85C59E02C0F495418E1EB8D3210F788D48CD5E1CB547CD4

Subordinate Name	Subject Key Identifier	Certificate Serial Number	SHA256 Fingerprint
CN=WR3 O=Google Trust Services C=US	C781F5FD8E8 8D9003C4D63 A2503124A0C E23FE23	7FF005A91568D 63ABC22861684 AA4B5A	2FE357DB13751FF9160E87354975B3407498F41C9BD16A48657866E6E5A9B4C7
CN=WR4 O=Google Trust Services C=US	9BC811BC3DA A36B9318C4E 8F44D557322F C3C061	7FF005B4DA75B 86A5AC61FE430 7713CD	DC9416C2F855126D6DE977677538F2F967FF4998E90DFA435A17219BE077FC06
CN=WR5 O=Google Trust Services C=US	4C5B19C28F1 A7F556FAA10 29FA028BC73 C2A223C	7FF4E5C91496B 0F2A18905ED50 1E62A3	AE0FC852280F1B87CEDAF73CFB84CF106EFEC88E8294253AF352ED4034460D7B

Appendix B

Google Trust Services Certification Practice Statement

Version Number	Effective Date	Note
<u>5.11</u>	7/12/2024	Clarify router and firewall logging requirements
5.10	6/27/2024	S/MIME SMC05 updates + reference section 6.3.2 in certificate profiles from Appendix C
5.9	5/10/2024	SC-70 updates to 1.3.2 and 3.2.2: CAA DNS queries MUST NOT be delegated to third parties.
5.8	3/18/2024	Improve formatting
5.7	2/22/2024	SC-63 & SC-66: Require CRLs and cleanup
5.6	1/12/2024	Remove permission to issue during CAA lookup failure
5.5	12/13/2023	Add 16 newly issued intermediate CAs to section 1.3.1
5.4	12/5/2023	Mention that 4.9.10 only applies to certificates including an OCSP URI
5.3	11/22/2023	Add newly issued LTS32 private CA to section 1.3.1
5.2	11/20/2023	Add newly cross-signed GTS Root R4 to section 1.3.1
5.1	11/10/2023	Minor updates to certificate profiles
5.0	10/11/2023	Add Google Trust Services Europe Ltd
4.21	9/18/2023	Removed revoked Subordinate CA
4.20	9/14/2023	Removed revoked Subordinate CA
4.19	9/13/2023	Removed revoked Subordinate CA

# **Google Trust Services TLS Certificate Policy**

Version Number	Effective Date	Note
4.6	7/12/2024	Clarify router and firewall logging requirements
4.5	5/10/2024	SC-70 updates to 1.3.2 and 3.2.2: CAA DNS queries MUST NOT be delegated to third parties.
4.4	3/18/2024	Improve formatting
4.3	2/22/2024	SC-63 & SC-66: Make OCSP optional, require CRLs, and cleanup
4.2	12/5/2023	Make Google policy OIDs optional and align 4.9.10 with BRs 2.0.1
4.1	11/1/2023	Fix table formatting issues

Version Number	Effective Date	Note
4.0	10/11/2023	Add Google Trust Services Europe Ltd
3.8	10/9/2023	Updated Policy OIDs

# **Google Trust Services S/MIME Certificate Policy**

Version Number	Effective Date	Note
2.6	8/5/2024	SMC08 update
2.5	7/12/2024	SMC07 update
2.4	6/27/2024	SMIME BR v. 1.0.2 and v. 1.0.3 Updates
2.3	3/18/2024	Improve formatting
2.2	12/5/2023	Make Google policy OIDs optional and mention that 4.9.10 only applies to certificates including an OCSP URI
2.1	11/1/2023	Fix table formatting issues
2.0	10/11/2023	Add Google Trust Services Europe Ltd

# Appendix C:

	Disclosure	Relevant WebTrust Criteria	Publicly Disclosed Link
1	On February 29, 2024, GTS issued a public statement stating GTS OCSP responders incorrectly responded to requests with an "unauthorized" status for certificates issued by two (2) new intermediate CAs (WE2 and WR2), which impacted 3,301 OCSP responses.  GTS' legacy OCSP responder includes an additional pipeline to periodically push status information refreshes for each Sub CA before the status information is propagated. As such, the legacy OCSP responder depends upon the source pipeline to provide the correct information. GTS investigated the issue and determined that the OCSP responders relying on legacy OCSP pipeline were misconfigured for two (2) new intermediate CAs (WE2 and WR2), invalidating any updates received. Thus, the status information was lost, and the responders began returning an "unauthorized" response for the certificates issued under the two impacted CAs.  In response to this incident, GTS implemented automation to generate OCSP information for new intermediate CAs, limiting the risk of manual human error, and to ensure their legacy OCSP pipeline is agnostic to intermediate CA addition and removal. GTS also introduced additional monitoring around OCSP and CRLs when a new intermediate CA is configured.  The incident was closed in Bugzilla on May 5, 2024, during the current examination period.	WTCA 7.1 - The CA maintains controls to provide reasonable assurance that timely, complete and accurate certificate status information (including CRLs and other certificate status mechanisms) is made available to any entity in accordance with the CA's disclosed business practices.	Google Trust Services: Incorrect OCSP responses for new ICAs under test (#1882904)

	Disclosure	Relevant WebTrust Criteria	Publicly Disclosed Link
3	On January 25, 2024, GTS issued a public statement stating that the IP validation record for one (1) Alphabet owned IP address was not properly retained during the issuance process, impacting 58 certificates, 12 of which were active at the time of incident discovery.  The incident was due to a manual error, as the CAE who approved issuance of the certificate did so without the submission of validation evidence.  In response to the incident, GTS implemented technical controls to validate identifiers prior to adding them to validation flat files.  The incident was closed in Bugzilla on April 17, 2024, during the current examination period.  On June 14, 2024, GTS issued a public statement stating that 58 SXG certificates were issued without the presence of "issue" or "issuewild" CAA property. 12 were active at the time the incident was discovered. The incident is limited to SXG-specific CAA validation requirements, and did not impact SSL certificates. All affected certificates complied to the SSL CAA checking requirements.  The incident occurred as GTS failed to consider the corner cases where the required "issue" and "issuewild" properties were absent, but other properties were included, leading the CAA validation to succeed where it should have failed. Further, GTS revoked the impacted certificates within 24 hours of discovering the incident.  In response to this incident, GTS implemented several new unit tests for SXG CAA, to catch such issues prior to deployment to production. Further, GTS added references within their code to clarify the CAA requirements for future developers and reviewers.  The incident was closed in Bugzilla on July 31, 2024, during the current examination period.	wtca 6.1 - The CA maintains controls to provide reasonable assurance that: For authenticated certificates  • subscribers are accurately identified in accordance with the CA's disclosed business practices.  • subscribers' domain names and IP addresses are accurately validated in accordance with the CA's disclosed business practices; and  • subscribers' certificate requests are accurate, authorized and complete.  Wtca 6.4 - The CA maintains controls to provide reasonable assurance that certificates are generated and issued in accordance with the CA's disclosed business practices	Google Trust Services: Failure to properly validate IP address (#1876593)  Google Trust Services: SXG certificates issued without correctly checking CAA restrictions (#1902670)

	Disclosure	Relevant WebTrust Criteria	Publicly Disclosed Link
4	On June 8, 2023, GTS issued a public statement stating that GTS failed to respond to a Certificate Problem Report (CPR) which requested revocation of a certificate, within 24 hours.  GTS investigated the issue and determined that revocation requests sent via the contact form on the website to report CPRs, was no longer passing new requests into pipeline for review. The issue began on June 4, 2023, and impacted four CPR form submissions, one of which was determined to be a valid submission. Per further investigation, it was determined that revocation was not needed since the certificate had been issued to the third-party service provider of the subscriber. As such, no misissuances occurred, despite the failure to respond to the valid form submission in 24 hours.  In response, the dependent service that caused the issue was fixed on June 9, 2023.  To prevent future issues, GTS removed one of the significant dependencies of the CPR revocation request process and added checks to ensure that CPRs are responded to within the required 24-hour time frame. Furthermore, CPR visibility among the team was increased via additional notification mechanisms to avoid bottlenecks and improve response times.  The incident was closed during the current examination period on November 2, 2024, due to open community discussion requesting more specific information on how GTS is updating their CPR process. This incident did not impact any CPRs during the current examination period.	WTCA 6.6 - Certificate Revocation. The CA maintains controls to provide reasonable assurance that certificates are revoked, based on authorized and validated certificate revocation requests within the time frame in accordance with the CA's disclosed business practices.	Google Trust Services: Failure to respond to CPR within 24 hours (#1837519)