

REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANT

To the Management of IdenTrust Services, LLC (“IdenTrust”):

Scope

We have examined IdenTrust management’s [assertion](#) for its TrustID Extended Validation (EV) SSL Certification Authority (CA) operations at its Salt Lake City, Utah, USA, and Centennial, Colorado, USA, locations, for its CAs as enumerated in Appendix A. IdenTrust has:

- disclosed its EV SSL certificate lifecycle management business practices in its:
 - [TrustID Certificate Practices Statement \(v4.7.9, 4.8.0, 4.8.1, 4.8.2, 4.8.3\)](#); and
 - [TrustID Certificate Policy \(v4.7.9, 4.8.0, 4.8.1, 4.8.2, 4.8.3\)](#)

including its commitment to provide EV SSL certificates in conformity with the CA/Browser Forum Guidelines on the IdenTrust 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 IdenTrust)

throughout the period July 1, 2021, to June 30, 2022, based on the [WebTrust Principles and Criteria for Certification Authorities – Extended Validation SSL v1.7.3](#)

Certification Authority’s Responsibilities

IdenTrust’s management is responsible for its assertion, including the fairness of its presentation, and the provision of its described services in accordance with the WebTrust Principles and Criteria for Certification Authorities – Extended Validation SSL – v1.7.3.

Practitioner’s Responsibilities

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on IdenTrust 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. 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 judgement, 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.

We are required to be independent and to meet our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with relevant ethical requirements relating to the engagement.

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

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. For example, because of their nature, controls may not prevent, or detect unauthorized access to systems and information, or failure to comply with internal and external policies or

requirements. Also, the projection to the future of any conclusions based on our findings is subject to the risk that controls may become ineffective.

Opinion

In our opinion management's assertion, as referred to above, is fairly stated, in all material respects.

This report does not include any representation as to the quality of IdenTrust's services other than its EV SSL CA operations at its Salt Lake City, Utah, USA, and Centennial, Colorado, USA, locations, nor the suitability of any of IdenTrust's services for any customer's intended purpose.

Emphasis of Matters

IdenTrust has disclosed that during the period July 1, 2021, to June 30, 2022, the following incidents were identified and disclosed to the CA/B Forum community as follows:

- On September 27, 2021, while performing an internal compliance review, IdenTrust determined that the requirement for re-vetting documentation that is older than 398 days was not implemented for Enterprise customers requesting renewal of a certificate via its standard API. This requirement, EV Section 11.14, became effective on June 2, 2021. IdenTrust then identified a total of 124 certificates that had out-of-date vetting. Of these, 22 certificates were issued between April 5, 2021, and June 1, 2021, and thus were technically not in violation of the new requirement, however; an additional 102 certificates were issued between June 3, 2021, and September 24, 2021. To remediate the issue, IdenTrust revoked and replaced all mis-issued certificates in compliance with Section 11.14, and implemented an automated trigger to place all certificate requests where the documentation is approaching the 398-day validation date in a separate validation queue. Requests in this queue require revalidation of vetting documentation prior to approval for issuance.
- On October 19, 2021, IdenTrust reported that not all affected EV TLS certificates disclosed in the September 27, 2021, incident (mis-issued EV TLS certificates) were revoked as expected within 5 days of the incident. The reason for not being able to revoke all affected certificates was due to a significant impact to the affected customer's production services that utilized the identified certificates. IdenTrust remediated this issue by coordinating with the affected customers to revoke and replace certificates as soon as possible. IdenTrust also updated its TLS Subscriber Agreement, adding language to emphasize the obligation to revoke mis-issuances within the CA/B Forum established revocation periods.
- On December 6, 2021, IdenTrust reported the issuance of 1 OV TLS certificate with organization vetting documents that were older than 398 days. IdenTrust remediated this issue by revoking and replacing the certificate, and added technical controls to the validation platform to disallow certificate renewal if the account information is older than 398 days.
- On January 26, 2022, an internal review of EV TLS certificates revealed non-compliance with sections 11.1.3 and 9.2.4 of the CA/B Forum EV SSL Guidelines, which require issuing CAs to publicly disclose the sources CA use to vet organizations prior to EV certificate issuance, and to also reference the location of the disclosure in section 3.2.2 of the CA's policy documents. IdenTrust remediated this issue by coordinating the revocation and reissuance of all active EV TLS certificates issued prior to January 26, 2022, publishing the list of sources used to vet EV organizations, and updating the TrustID certificate policy documents.
- On February 11, 2022, IdenTrust discovered an active EV TLS certificate for a government entity with the "jurisdictionStateOrProvinceName" field. As this entity updated its registration to operate in other states, this field should not have been included in the certificate, per EV Guidelines section 1.7.8. IdenTrust remediated this issue by revoking and replacing the certificate, and retrained registration agents in regard to Baseline Requirements for government agencies. In order to prevent reoccurrence, IdenTrust updated its registration and validation procedures to include checklists which must be completed by registration agents to ensure that all Baseline Requirements have been met.
- On February 11, 2022, IdenTrust discovered that an EV TLS test certificate issued to IdenTrust Services, LLC was showing an incorrectly attributed state jurisdiction in violation of Baseline Requirements section 9.2.5. The certificate was revoked on the same day as it was discovered. On February 17, 2022, personnel were retrained to ensure that for EV TLS certificates, the formation state must be selected and matched against the registration number. Additionally on February 14, 2022, registration procedures were enhanced

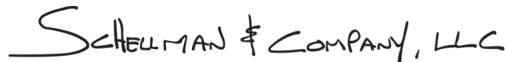
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Our opinion is not modified with respect to these matters. Incidents not relevant to the assessed criteria are included in Appendix B.

Use of the WebTrust Seal

IdenTrust's use of the WebTrust for Certification Authorities – Extended Validation SSL 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.

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Certified Public Accountants
Tampa, Florida
August 22, 2022

IDENTRUST MANAGEMENT'S ASSERTION

August 22, 2022

IdenTrust Services, LLC ("IdenTrust") operates the CA services known as TrustID and provides Extended Validation SSL ("EV SSL") CA services.

The management of IdenTrust is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective controls over its EV SSL CA operations, including its EV SSL CA business practices disclosure on its website, 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, even effective controls can only provide reasonable assurance with respect to IdenTrust's Certification Authority operations. Furthermore, because of changes in conditions, the effectiveness of controls may vary over time.

IdenTrust management has assessed its disclosures of its certificate practices and controls over its EV SSL CA services. Based on that assessment, except for the matters described in the emphasis-of-matter paragraph below, in providing its EV SSL CA services at its Salt Lake City, Utah, USA, and Centennial, Colorado, USA, locations, for its root and subordinate CA certificates as listed in Appendix A, IdenTrust has:

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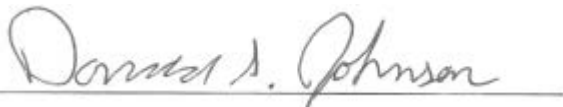
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APPENDIX A – IDENTRUST ROOT AND ISSUING CAS

Root CA	SubCA	SHA256 Fingerprint
IdenTrust Commercial Root CA 1		5D56499BE4D2E08BCFCAD08A3E38723D50503BDE706948E42F55603019E528AE
	TrustID Server CA A52 (expired)	B39C4A4596D3191AFA3B3D254D28E5C482FCD0D500E0A9337F99277CB8A2EEF8
	TrustID Server CA O1	6BAAB0C433D779FD6A4B6D56D6304D5E6EA5DE689FE35A43038A4028F345DF60
	TrustID Server CA E1	743E328F329E194DA252711BF6BFF00CF63B6A4C0AA66B2E1967716910678971
	HydrantID Server CA O1	8BB2F6883FED289A521BA27C478482950874E143CACCEC6FC025990C0C46813E

APPENDIX B – OTHER INCIDENTS DISCLOSED BY IDENTRUST

IdenTrust has disclosed that during the period July 1, 2021, to June 30, 2022, the incidents listed below were identified and disclosed to Mozilla. These incidents did not impact the assessed criteria and are included for informational purposes:

- On October 6, 2021, IdenTrust discovered that intermittent interruptions of DNS service had occurred for the IdenTrust DST X3 CA Root that expired normally on September 30, 2021. IdenTrust began an investigation on October 6, 2021, and system engineers noted large volumes of network traffic directed at the IdenTrust network boundary, causing site connectivity to be intermittent. The result was slow response times and timeouts for customers attempting OCSP validations and other certificate lifecycle events for the expired certificate, in addition to requests for the new certificate chain and subsequent OCSP and other validation requests. Concurrently but outside of IdenTrust control, networks and systems worldwide had issues validating traffic and DNS, causing slow responses and timeouts that compounded issues for customers trying to access IdenTrust sites. IdenTrust rerouted validation requests to its disaster recovery site while it continued to troubleshoot the issue. IdenTrust additionally determined a secondary root cause was the CRLs used by the disaster recovery system had not been updated completely according to normal production protocol. New CRLs were pushed to the disaster recovery system the same day, and resolution was confirmed. On May 5, 2022, IdenTrust remediated this issue to avoid recurrence by implementing a Content Delivery Network (CDN) to help support and redistribute the high volume of traffic and correct the automated push for CRL distribution to the DR system.
- On December 29, 2021, via an internal audit review, IdenTrust discovered that the OCSP Responder certificate issued on December 8, 2021, for the "HydrantID Server CA O1" ICA was missing the "id-pkix-ocsp-nocheck" extension, which is required by Baseline Requirements section 4.9.9. IdenTrust remediated this issue by revoking the certificate and reissuing it to include the "id-pkix-ocsp-nocheck" extension. IdenTrust also updated the master issuance script for such certificates to avoid reoccurrence. A post-issuance linting tool that will detect differences between the intended certificate profile and the freshly issued OCSP Responder certificate is planned for implementation by September 24, 2022.
- On February 4, 2022, IdenTrust experienced a connectivity issue for 8 hours that prevented 24X7 consistent CRL and OCSP online responses of 10 seconds or less, per Baseline Requirements section 4.10.2. The issue was caused by traffic hitting the IdenTrust border firewalls during a situation in which they could not pass the traffic, thus creating multiple repeated requests and a traffic bombardment situation. IdenTrust immediately contacted the firewall vendor, and identified the situation as a known problem with one function in the version of the firewall firmware. The firmware problem affected both the primary and disaster recovery sites. Additionally, IdenTrust identified that a set of OCSP responder certificates had been renewed two days before, but the responders had not been restarted to synchronize with the new certificates. IdenTrust opted to turn off the offending function until the new firewall firmware was tested and upgraded during a change window on February 5, 2022, and restarted the OCSP responders to ensure that the renewed certificates were installed properly. In order to prevent reoccurrence, IdenTrust deployed additional monitoring to identify certificates requiring renewal further in advance of the certificate expiration. The new monitoring will provide seven days advance notice which will persist until the renewed certificates are in place. IdenTrust also strengthened procedures for certificate monthly renewals to ensure all services are confirmed as operational with the new certificates at both the primary and secondary sites.
- On February 23, 2022, IdenTrust conducted an internal review and discovered that there were 4,543 instances where a precertificate was generated but its status was not available in the OCSP responder. Through further investigation, IdenTrust discovered an additional 124 pre-certificates with the same issue. In all cases, precertificates were submitted to certificate transparency logs and the IdenTrust OCSP responders responded with "unauthorized" status. To resolve this issue, on March 14, 2022, IdenTrust registered all identified precertificates in the OCSP database, and confirmed a valid OCSP response for each precertificate. Additionally and to prevent recurrence, on May 23, 2022, IdenTrust updated the TLS issuance process to register each precertificate into the OCSP DB regardless of whether the final certificate is issued.
- On March 4, 2022, IdenTrust reported that during the process of enhancing Intermediate CA (ICA) monitoring, it discovered that the OCSP responder for the root CA 'IdenTrust Commercial Root CA 1', failed to provide status information for 3 valid ICA certificates (non-TLS issuers). The OCSP responder was returning "Unauthorized" status for these 3 ICAs: TrustID HID Enterprise CA 1, TrustID Code Signing CA

1, and TrustID EV Code Signing CA 3. On March 4, 2022, IdenTrust remediated this issue by updating the OCSP responder database with each ICA identified in this incident and verified the receipt of a valid OCSP response. In order to prevent recurrence, the ICA creation procedures were updated to include a post-configuration quality check for verifying receipt of a valid OCSP response for every new ICA. The OCSP responder monitors will be enhanced to test for a valid response for each ICA issued under root CAs subject to Baseline Requirements no later than September 30, 2022.

- On June 3, 2022, IdenTrust reported that during an internal review on May 23, 2022, it discovered that the OCSP response validity period for 14 subordinate CAs did not conform to the description in section 4.9.10 of the TrustID CPS version 4.8.2 published on May 12, 2022. IdenTrust corrected the discrepancy by updating section 4.9.10 of the TrustID CPS and re-publishing on May 27, 2022, as version 4.8.3.
- On June 22, 2022, IdenTrust reported that as a result of an internal self-audit on June 13, 2022, some CRLs for revoked TLS certificates may not have been published within one hour of authenticating a revocation request as required by Section 4.9.8 of the IdenTrust TrustID CPS due to a caching issue on the external load balancers. Between May 21, 2022, and June 13, 2022, 46 revoked TLS certificates may have experienced a greater than an hour delay in publishing the corresponding updated CRLs due to previously cached CRLs remaining persistent on the load balancers. IdenTrust determined that the issue was caused by a missing configuration item in the production load balancers. The configuration was present in the pre-production environment and therefore it was not detected during the testing phase. Upon update in the production environment on June 13, 2022, the issue was corrected.