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## Independent Accountant's Report

To the Management of Symantec Corporation:

We have examined the assertion by the management of Symantec Corporation ("Symantec") for the Symantec certification authority (CA) operations at Melbourne, Australia; Sydney, Australia; Sapporo, Japan; and Kawasaki-shi, Japan, throughout the period June 16, 2016 to November 30, 2016 for Symantec's VeriSign Japan Class 3 MPKI Enterprise Administrator CA - G3, VSA Class 3 Managed PKI Operational Administrator CA - G2, and VSA Class 3 Managed PKI Enterprise Administrator CA - G2 ("the Administrator CAs"):

- Symantec disclosed its business, key life cycle management, certificate life cycle management, and CA environmental control practices in its Symantec Trust Network Certification Practice Statement, Version 3.8.26 dated September 9, 2016 ("STN CPS"); and Symantec Trust Network Certificate Policy, Version 2.8.22, dated September 9, 2016 ("STN CP") on the Symantec website
- Symantec maintained effective controls to provide reasonable assurance that:
  - Symantec's Certification Practice Statement is consistent with its Certificate Policy
  - Symantec provides its services in accordance with its Certificate Policy and Certification Practice Statement
- Symantec 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 integrity of subscriber keys and certificates it manages is established and protected throughout their life cycles; and
  - subscriber information is properly authenticated (for the registration activities performed by Symantec)
- Symantec 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 Principles and Criteria for Certification Authorities v2.0.

The management of Symantec is responsible for its assertion. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on management's assertion, based on our examination.

The relative effectiveness and significance of specific controls at Symantec 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.

We conducted our examination in accordance with standards for attestation engagements established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants and, accordingly, included:

- (1) obtaining an understanding of Symantec's key and certificate life cycle management business practices and its controls over key and certificate integrity, over the authenticity and confidentiality of subscriber



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- and relying party information, over the continuity of key and certificate life cycle management operations and over development, maintenance and operation of systems integrity;
- (2) selectively testing transactions executed in accordance with disclosed key and certificate life cycle management business practices;
  - (3) testing and evaluating the operating effectiveness of the controls; and
  - (4) performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

We believe that our examination provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

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

In our opinion, throughout the period June 16, 2016 to November 30, 2016, Symantec management's assertion, as referred to above, is fairly stated, in all material respects, based on the WebTrust Principles and Criteria for Certification Authorities v2.0.

This report does not include any representation as to the quality of Symantec's services beyond those covered by the WebTrust Principles and Criteria for Certification Authorities v2.0, nor the suitability of any of Symantec's services for any customer's intended purpose.

Symantec's 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.

**KPMG LLP**

Certified Public Accountants  
Santa Clara, CA  
February 28, 2017



**Assertion by Management as to  
Its Disclosure of its Business Practices and its Controls  
Over Certification Authority Operations  
During the Period from June 16, 2016 through November 30, 2016**

February 28, 2017

Symantec Corporation ("Symantec") provides the following certification services through its VeriSign Japan Class 3 MPKI Enterprise Administrator CA - G3, VSA Class 3 Managed PKI Operational Administrator CA - G2, and VSA Class 3 Managed PKI Enterprise Administrator CA - G2 provide the following CA services:

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

The management of Symantec is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective controls over its Symantec CA operations, including its CA business practices disclosure in the STN CP and CPS on its website, CA business practices management, CA environmental controls, CA key life cycle management controls, subscriber key life cycle management controls, and certificate life cycle 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 Symantec's certification authority operations. Furthermore, because of changes in conditions, the effectiveness of controls may vary over time.

Symantec management has assessed its disclosures of its certificate practices and controls over its CA services. Based on that assessment, in Symantec management's opinion, in its CA services at Melbourne, Australia; Sydney, Australia; Sapporo, Japan; and Kawasaki-shi, Japan, during the period June 16, 2016 to November 30, 2016, Symantec has:

- disclosed its business, key life cycle management, certificate life cycle management, and CA environment control practices in its Symantec Trust Network Certification Practice Statement, Version 3.8.26 dated September 9, 2016 and Symantec Trust Network Certificate Policy, Version 2.8.22, dated September 9, 2016
- maintained effective controls to provide reasonable assurance that:
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- maintained effective controls to provide reasonable assurance that:
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  - the continuity of key and certificate management operations is maintained; and
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based on the WebTrust Principles and Criteria for Certification Authorities v2.0, 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 and Maintenance
- Business Continuity Management
- Monitoring and Compliance
- Audit Logging

#### **CA Key Life Cycle Management Controls**

- CA Key Generation
- CA Key Storage, Backup, and Recovery
- CA Public Key Distribution
- CA Key Usage
- CA Key Archival and Destruction
- CA Key Compromise
- CA Cryptographic Hardware Life Cycle Management

#### **Subscriber Key Life Cycle Management Controls**

- Requirements for Subscriber Key Management

#### **Certificate Life Cycle Management Controls**

- Subscriber Registration
- Certificate Renewal
- Certificate Rekey
- Certificate Issuance
- Certificate Distribution



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- Certificate Revocation
- Certificate Validation

Symantec Corporation

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EVP and GM, Website Security

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