

## REPORT OF INDEPENDENT CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS

To the Management of Starfield Technologies, LLC:

### *Scope*

We have examined the [assertion by the management](#) of Starfield Technologies, LLC (“Starfield”) that in providing its Starfield and GoDaddy SSL Certification Authority (CA) services at its Scottsdale, Arizona, USA, and Phoenix, Arizona, USA, locations, throughout the period from July 1, 2017, to June 30, 2018, for its root and subordinate CA certificates as listed in Appendix A, Starfield has:

- Disclosed its SSL Certificate practices and procedures in its:
  - [Certificate Policy and Certification Practice Statement \(v3.12.2\)](#); and
  - Automated Domain Validation Proceduresincluding its commitment to provide SSL Certificates in conformity with the applicable CA/Browser Forum Requirements;
- Maintained effective controls to provide reasonable assurance that:
  - Subscriber information was properly collected, authenticated (for the registration activities performed by the CA) and verified;
  - The integrity of keys and certificates it manages is established and protected throughout their life cycles;
- 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 was maintained;
  - CA systems development, maintenance and operations are properly authorized and performed to maintain CA systems integrity; and
- Maintained effective controls to provide reasonable assurance that:
  - Network and Certificate System Security Requirements set forth by the CA/Browser Forum were met

based on the [WebTrust Principles and Criteria for Certification Authorities – SSL Baseline with Network Security – Version 2.3](#).

### *Starfield's Responsibilities*

Starfield's management 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 Starfield 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.

### *Independent Certified Public Accountant's Responsibilities*

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 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.

*Inherent Limitations*

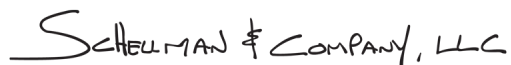
Because of the nature and inherent limitations of controls, Starfield's ability to meet the aforementioned criteria may be affected. For example, controls may not prevent, or detect and correct, error, fraud, unauthorized access to systems and information, or failure to comply with internal and external 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.

*Opinion*

In our opinion, Starfield's 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 Starfield's services other than its CA operations at its Scottsdale, Arizona, USA, and Phoenix, Arizona, USA, locations, nor the suitability of any of Starfield's services for any customer's intended purpose.

Starfield's use of the WebTrust Principles and Criteria for Certification Authorities – SSL Baseline with Network Security 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.



Schellman & Company, LLC  
Certified Public Accountants  
Tampa, Florida  
August 9, 2018

**ASSERTION OF MANAGEMENT AS TO ITS DISCLOSURE OF ITS PRACTICES AND ITS CONTROLS  
OVER ITS SSL CERTIFICATION AUTHORITY OPERATIONS  
DURING THE PERIOD JULY 1, 2017, TO JUNE 30, 2018**

Starfield Technologies, LLC (“Starfield”) operates the Certification Authority (CA) services known as Starfield and GoDaddy and provides SSL CA services.

Management has assessed the controls over its Starfield and GoDaddy SSL CA services. Based on that assessment, in Starfield management’s opinion, in providing its CA services at its Scottsdale, Arizona, USA, and Phoenix, Arizona, USA, locations throughout the period from July 1, 2017, to June 30, 2018, for its root and subordinate CA certificates as listed in Appendix A, Starfield has:

- Disclosed its SSL Certificate practices and procedures and its:
  - [Certificate Policy and Certification Practice Statement \(v3.12.2\)](#); and
  - Automated Domain Validation Proceduresincluding its commitment to provide SSL Certificates in conformity with the applicable CA/Browser Forum Requirements;
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Arne Josefsberg  
Chief Information Officer  
Starfield Technologies, LLC  
August 9, 2018

**APPENDIX A – STARFIELD AND GODADDY ROOT AND ISSUING CAs**

Name	Certificate Thumbprint (sha256)
GoDaddy Class 2 Certification Authority Root Certificate	C3:84:6B:F2:4B:9E:93:CA:64:27:4C:0E:C6:7C:1E:CC:5E:02:4F:FC:AC:D2:D7:40:19:35:0E:81:FE:54:6A:E4
GoDaddy Class 2 Certification Authority Root Certificate – G2	45:14:0B:32:47:EB:9C:C8:C5:B4:F0:D7:B5:30:91:F7:32:92:08:9E:6E:5A:63:E2:74:9D:D3:AC:A9:19:8E:DA
GoDaddy Root Certificate Authority – G3	51:A4:90:F8:52:32:D9:15:E3:EA:E3:DF:69:58:11:A7:4D:1F:AE:BE:3B:47:EC:43:A5:8D:88:1D:44:DB:43:71
GoDaddy Root Certificate Authority – G4	C1:A2:7E:CB:DF:9C:BB:3E:11:2C:B0:39:CB:3A:C9:E4:18:B6:C5:28:D2:82:2F:FB:68:C9:C7:26:18:50:BC:41
GoDaddy Secure Server Certificate (Intermediate Certificate)	09:ED:6E:99:1F:C3:27:3D:8F:EA:31:7D:33:9C:02:04:18:61:97:35:49:CF:A6:E1:55:8F:41:1F:11:21:1A:A3
GoDaddy Secure Server Certificate (Intermediate Certificate) – G2	97:3A:41:27:6F:FD:01:E0:27:A2:AA:D4:9E:34:C3:78:46:D3:E9:76:FF:6A:62:0B:67:12:E3:38:32:04:1A:A6
GoDaddy Secure Server Certificate (Intermediate Certificate) – G3	91:B4:5F:D0:47:E5:47:76:42:80:6D:93:B7:6E:76:DD:30:8A:20:2C:75:4D:94:63:37:33:40:95:77:AF:97:13
GoDaddy Secure Server Certificate (Intermediate Certificate) – G4	CB:35:EE:A6:B7:8C:EF:D6:7E:7D:C7:FE:6F:A3:B3:8D:FD:60:1D:90:3F:A2:92:66:B3:4C:83:94:11:54:1C:8C
Starfield Class 2 Certification Authority Root Certificate	14:65:FA:20:53:97:B8:76:FA:A6:F0:A9:95:8E:55:90:E4:0F:CC:7F:AA:4F:B7:C2:C8:67:75:21:FB:5F:B6:58
Starfield Class 2 Certification Authority Root Certificate – G2	2C:E1:CB:0B:F9:D2:F9:E1:02:99:3F:BE:21:51:52:C3:B2:DD:0C:AB:DE:1C:68:E5:31:9B:83:91:54:DB:B7:F5
Starfield Class 2 Certification Authority Root Certificate – G3	6D:7F:24:45:B8:4A:BB:08:2C:5D:09:2A:B4:61:77:28:2B:AC:96:EE:2B:A3:7F:EA:8A:1C:9A:30:A0:78:0C:1E
Starfield Class 2 Certification Authority Root Certificate – G4	F3:7B:58:62:4F:F8:38:B8:F4:8C:E1:7A:53:44:A1:55:78:D7:11:2A:B4:9F:4A:A2:A9:92:12:EC:63:60:51:58
Starfield Services Root Certificate	B5:BD:2C:B7:9C:BD:19:07:29:8D:6B:DF:48:42:E5:16:D8:C7:8F:A6:FC:96:D2:5F:71:AF:81:4E:16:CC:24:5E
Starfield Secure Server Certificate (Intermediate Certificate)	05:A6:DB:38:93:91:DF:92:E0:BE:93:FD:FA:4D:B1:E3:CF:53:90:39:18:B8:D9:D8:5A:9C:39:6C:B5:5D:F0:30
Starfield Secure Server Certificate (Intermediate Certificate) – G2	93:A0:78:98:D8:9B:2C:CA:16:6B:A6:F1:F8:A1:41:38:CE:43:82:8E:49:1B:83:19:26:BC:82:47:D3:91:CC:72
Starfield Secure Server Certificate (Intermediate Certificate) – G3	51:BD:25:07:21:CE:5C:B9:25:2A:60:DC:9E:7B:32:76:39:94:89:CC:4E:0C:90:14:40:11:5F:61:7D:B2:04:E6
Starfield Secure Server Certificate (Intermediate Certificate) – G4	F7:E1:8A:5B:AD:66:1F:6E:24:AA:52:1D:E9:98:A8:6E:8D:7D:38:5A:D2:78:43:7C:47:3C:08:05:73:4A:64:6B