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REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANT

To the management of Starfield Technologies, LLC (“Starfield”):

Scope

We have examined Starfield, subsidiary of GoDaddy Inc. (“GoDaddy”), management’s [assertion](#) that for its Starfield and GoDaddy Certification Authority (“CA”) operations in Arizona and Virginia, in the United States of America, for its CAs enumerated in [Attachment B](#), Starfield has:

- disclosed its extended validation SSL (“EV SSL”) certificate lifecycle management business practices in the applicable versions of its Starfield Technologies, LLC Certificate Policy and Certification Practice Statement (“CP/CPS”) enumerated in [Attachment A](#), including its commitment to provide EV SSL certificates in conformity with the CA/Browser Forum Guidelines on the Starfield [repository](#), 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

throughout the period July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2023 based on the [WebTrust Principles and Criteria for Certification Authorities - Extended Validation SSL v1.7.8](#).

Certification Authority’s Responsibilities

Starfield’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 v1.7.8](#).

Independent Accountant’s Responsibilities

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on Starfield 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 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.

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

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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.

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.

Independent Accountant’s 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 Starfield’s services other than its CA operations at Arizona and Virginia, in the United States of America, nor the suitability of any of Starfield’s services for any customer’s intended purpose.

Other Matters

Without modifying our opinion, we noted the following other matters during our procedures:

Matter Topic	Matter
1 Certificate Revocation	GoDaddy disclosed in Mozilla Bug #1793848 that they failed to revoke a number of subscriber certificates within the 24 hour requirement.

While the Starfield assertion notes all issues disclosed on Bugzilla from July 1, 2022 through the date of this report we have only noted those instances relevant to the CAs enumerated in [Attachment B](#) and applicable to the [WebTrust Principles and Criteria for Certification Authorities - Extended Validation SSL v1.7.8](#).

Use of the WebTrust Seal

Starfield’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.

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September 21, 2023



**ATTACHMENT A - CERTIFICATE POLICY/CERTIFICATION PRACTICE STATEMENT
VERSIONS IN-SCOPE**

Policy Name	Policy Version	Policy Date
<u>Starfield Technologies, LLC Certificate Policy and Certification Practice Statement</u>	Version 4.18	November 11, 2022
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ATTACHMENT B - IN-SCOPE CAs

Root CAs			
Subject	SHA2 Thumbprint	Valid From	Valid To
OU = Go Daddy Class 2 Certification Authority O = The Go Daddy Group, Inc. C = US	C3846BF24B9E93CA64274C0EC67C1ECC5E024FFCACD2D74019350E81FE546AE4	6/29/2004	6/29/2034
CN = Go Daddy Root Certificate Authority - G2 O = GoDaddy.com, Inc. L = Scottsdale S = Arizona C = US	45140B3247EB9CC8C5B4F0D7B53091F73292089E6E5A63E2749DD3ACA9198EDA	9/1/2009	12/31/2037
OU = Starfield Class 2 Certification Authority O = Starfield Technologies, Inc. C = US	1465FA205397B876FAA6F0A9958E5590E40FCC7FAA4FB7C2C8677521FB5FB658	6/29/2004	6/29/2034
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CN = Starfield Services Root Certificate OU = http://certificates.starfieldtech.com/repository/ O = Starfield Technologies, Inc. L = Scottsdale S = Arizona C = US	B5BD2CB79CBD1907298D6BDF4842E516D8C78FA6FC96D25F71AF814E16CC245E	6/2/2008	12/31/2029
CN = Starfield Root Certificate Authority - G5 O = Starfield Technologies, Inc. C = US	414F6C10FA816561832751BDB241ED8AE2BB0E2EBE651DE48E317ABB774E38F0	6/20/2022	6/20/2042
CN = Starfield Root Certificate Authority - G6 O = Starfield Technologies, Inc. C = US	FDB2C428AC393FD61B386497E0CC6652D71F35F6683C8E0AD0E754CF8F133D2A	6/20/2022	6/20/2052
CN = GoDaddy Root Certificate Authority - G5 O = GoDaddy, Inc. C = US	E0562C0CD4CD5959DB2AB9D8E7426B248FD75534F5D50CFAF8CB312239F93086	6/20/2022	6/20/2052
CN = GoDaddy Root Certificate Authority - G6 O = GoDaddy, Inc. C = US	DB3C05E9C55D5259B057474D7F7F3E54A2A51AFAA71EC5C41D8C3CBE68108799	6/20/2022	6/20/2052



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CN = Go Daddy Root Certificate Authority - G2 OU = https://certs.godaddy.com/repository/ O = GoDaddy.com, Inc. L = Scottsdale S = Arizona C = US	9BF58967545996194512DB6177151AFE99706AEA3DA36FEEE7AD9F8B3C0507CB	5/3/2011	5/3/2031
CN = Starfield Root Certificate Authority - G2 O = Starfield Technologies, Inc. L = Scottsdale S = Arizona C = US	9F43D52E808C20AFF69E02FAAC205AAC684E6975213D6620FAC64BDE5FCAB4BC	1/1/2014	5/30/2031
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CN = Starfield Services Root Certificate Authority - G2 O = Starfield Technologies, Inc. L = Scottsdale S = Arizona C = US	EB159C922A3FC2191475CA20A53816D87A38A1A79A7264789193D2F1F750E85E	1/1/2014	5/30/2031
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serialNumber = 10688435 CN = Starfield Secure Certification Authority OU = http://certificates.starfieldtech.com/repository O = Starfield Technologies, Inc. L = Scottsdale S = Arizona C = US	05A6DB389391DF92E0BE93FDFA4DB1E3CF53903918B8D9D85A9C396CB55DF030	11/16/2006	11/16/2026
CN = Starfield Secure Certificate Authority - G2 OU = http://certs.starfieldtech.com/repository/ O = Starfield Technologies, Inc. L = Scottsdale S = Arizona C = US	93A07898D89B2CCA166BA6F1F8A14138CE43828E491B831926BC8247D391CC72	5/3/2011	5/3/2031



STARFIELD TECHNOLOGIES, LLC MANAGEMENT'S ASSERTION

Starfield Technologies, LLC ("Starfield"), a subsidiary of GoDaddy Inc. ("GoDaddy"), operates the Certification Authority ("CA") services for the CAs enumerated in [Attachment B](#), and provides Extended Validation SSL ("EV SSL") CA services.

The management of Starfield is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective controls over its EV SSL CA operations, including its EV SSL CA business practices disclosure on its [repository](#), 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 Starfield's CA operations. Furthermore, because of changes in conditions, the effectiveness of controls may vary over time.

Starfield management has assessed its disclosures of its certificate practices and controls over its EV SSL CA services. Based on that assessment, in Starfield management's opinion, in providing its EV SSL CA services in Arizona and Virginia, in the United States of America, Starfield has:

- disclosed its extended validation SSL ("EV SSL") certificate lifecycle management business practices in applicable versions of its Starfield Technologies, LLC Certificate Policy and Certification Practice Statement ("CP/CPS") enumerated in [Attachment A](#), including its commitment to provide EV SSL certificates in conformity with the CA/Browser Forum Guidelines on the Starfield repository, and provided such services in accordance with its disclosed practices
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Starfield has disclosed the following matters publicly on Mozilla Bugzilla's platform. These matters were included below due to being open during the period July 1, 2022 through the date of this report.

Bug ID	Summary	Opened	Closed	Resolution
1793848	GoDaddy: Failure to revoke 210 subscriber certificates within 24 hours	10/5/2022	11/26/2022	FIXED
1793642	GoDaddy: CRLs are version 1 and lack CRL Number extension	10/4/2022	1/15/2023	FIXED
1829024	GoDaddy: CRL Issuer Mismatch	4/19/2023	5/5/2023	FIXED

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