REGISTRANT ELIGIBILITY POLICY

**1.0 Title: Registrant Eligibility Policy**

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**2.0 Summary**

All domain names registered in the .CPA gTLD must comply with this Registrant Eligibility Policy (the “Policy”). This Policy sets forth the requirements for prospective registrants in the .CPA TLD (“Registrants”) and a non-enumerated list of documents that they may be requested to provide to establish their eligibility. This Policy also incorporates an appeals mechanism by which Persons that have been denied eligibility may seek a review of that denial.

**3.0 Qualified Registrants**

Qualified Registrants are (i) Persons, or entities consisting of one or more Persons, that possess an active license, or an equivalent credential, to practice as a certified public accountant, certified practicing accountant, chartered professional accountant, or CPA firm issued by a national, state or other regulatory body that is approved by Registry Operator and that are authorized by a government agency to hold oneself or itself out to the public as a CPA or CPA firm; or (ii) a not-for-profit professional organization exclusively engaged in supporting the CPA profession and/or in representing the profession’s interests.

**4.0 Registrant Documentation**

As part of the registration or renewal process, Applicants will be required to provide certain information to Registry Operator, or its designated third-party service provider, to verify their eligibility to register a domain name in .CPA. This information may include, but is not limited to, the following:

4.1  Full legal name:

4.2  Business name:

4.3  Business address:

4.4  Business phone:

4.5  Business email:

4.6  CPA License Number:

4.7 CPA License Jurisdiction:

4.8 CPA License Expire Date:

**5.0 Compliance with Applicable Laws**

Registry Operator, in its capacity as a global registry operator may take into account all applicable laws, rules and regulations in the jurisdictions where it operates including those that relate to privacy, data collection, consumer protection (including in relation to misleading and deceptive conduct), fair lending, debt collection, organic farming, disclosure of data, and financial disclosures. As such, Registry Operator reserves the right to deny or cancel domain name registrations based upon relevant sanctions, programs or standards administered and/or supported in other jurisdictions.

**6.0 Prohibition Against the Use of Proxy/Privacy Registration Services**

Registry Operator is committed to ensuring that .CPA is administered in a secure and stable manner and that the Whois data of domain names in .CPA is not exploited to for malicious purposes. Therefore, Registry Operator will make all registrant Registration Data private.

**7.0 Appeal**

Any business or organization whose request for registration has been denied based upon this Policy may appeal this decision through the Registration Eligibility Dispute Resolution Policy available on/via Registry Operator’s website.

**8.0 Amendment**

Registry Operator reserves the right to modify this Policy at its sole discretion in accordance with its rights and obligations set forth in its Registry Agreement. Such revised Policy shall be posted on Registry Operator’s website at <https://domains.cpa> at least 15-calendar days before its effective date. In the event that a Registrant objects to the any change in this Policy, the sole remedy is cancelation of the domain name registration.