



OPEN ACCESS TECHNOLOGY INTERNATIONAL, INC.

ROOT KEY GENERATION CEREMONY REPORT

DECEMBER 08, 2025

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SECTION I

INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANT'S REPORT

REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANT

To the Management of Open Access Technology International, Inc. (“OATI”):

Scope

We have examined OATI’s [management assertion](#) that in generating and protecting its list of Root CAs witnessed (collectively, “OATI Root CAs”) on December 08, 2025, at its Bloomington, Minnesota, USA, location, with the following identifying information:

Root Name	Subject Key Identifier	Certificate Serial Number	SHA512 Fingerprint
OATI webCARES Server Root	4c845b39a72d6475234fb4da1215916f4d3b216a	66539c052c681a97499298d88deafa44	5b2907750936aa256e6d702e3af86585450154e1
OATI webCARES Client Root	e405812259cab026551b65cf9d85af189f7e4c9f	16d6ac796ee62ba84c1c3b4f2708459d	1e6206983c2eb34baa91772c929b89af9a34189d

OATI has:

- followed the CA key generation and protection requirements in its:
 - [Certificate Policy and CA Certification Practice Statement](#) (v6.3, dated October 08, 2025);
- included appropriate, detailed procedures and controls in its Root Key Generation Script(s):
 - OATI webCARES Server Root CA Script 12/08/2025; and
 - OATI webCARES Client Root CA Script 12/08/2025;
- maintained effective controls to provide reasonable assurance that the OATI Root CAs were generated and protected in conformity with the procedures described in its CP/CPS and its Root Key Generation Script(s);
- performed, during the root key generation process, all procedures required by the Root Key Generation Script(s);
- generated the CA keys in a physically secured environment as described in its CP/CPS;
- generated the CA keys using personnel in trusted roles under multiple person control and split knowledge; and
- generated the CA keys within cryptographic modules meeting the applicable technical and business requirements as disclosed in its CP/CPS;

based on CA Key Generation Criterion 4.1 of the [WebTrust Principles and Criteria for Certification Authorities v2.2.2](#).

Certification Authority’s Responsibilities

OATI’s management is responsible for these procedures and for maintaining effective controls based CA Key Generation Criterion 4.1 of the WebTrust Principles and Criteria for Certification Authorities v2.2.2.

Practitioner’s Responsibilities

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on OATI 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 and in accordance with International Standard on Assurance Engagements 3000, Assurance Engagements Other than Audits or Reviews of Historical Financial Information, issued by the International Auditing and Assurance Standards Board. 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. Our examination included:

1. obtaining an understanding of OATI's documented plan of procedures to be performed for the generation of the certification authority key pairs for the OATI Root CAs;
2. reviewing the detailed CA key generation script(s) for conformance with industry standard practices;
3. testing and evaluating, during the CA key generation process, the effectiveness of controls over the integrity, confidentiality, and availability of all private keys, including back-up copies, and access keys (including physical keys, tokens, and passwords), used in the establishment of the service;
4. physical observation of all procedures performed during the root key generation process to ensure that the procedures actually performed on December 08, 2025, were in accordance with the Root Key Generation Script(s) for the OATI Root CAs; and
5. performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

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 the Code of Professional Conduct established by the AICPA and the International Ethics Standards Board for Accountants' Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants.

We applied the Statements on Quality Control Standards established by the AICPA and, accordingly, maintain a comprehensive system of quality control.

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 OATI's services other than its webCares Certification Authority operations at its Bloomington, Minnesota, USA, and Minneapolis, Minnesota, USA, locations, nor the suitability of any of OATI's services for any customer's intended purpose.

Schellman & Company, LLC

Schellman & Company, LLC
Columbus, Ohio
December 11, 2025

SECTION 2

MANAGEMENT'S ASSERTION



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Open Access Technology International, Inc. (“OATI”) has deployed a public key infrastructure. As part of this deployment, it was necessary to create a hierarchy consistent of self-signed Root CAs known as OATI webCARES Server Root and OATI webCARES Client Root (collectively, “OATI Root CAs”). These CA’s will serve as Root CAs for client certificate services. In order to allow the CAs to be installed in a final production configuration, a Root Key Generation Ceremony was conducted, the purpose of which was to formally witness and document the creation of the CA’s private signing key. This helps assure the non-refutability of the integrity of the OATI Root CAs’ key pairs, and in particular, the private signing keys.

OATI management has securely generated key pairs, each consisting of a public and private key, in support of its CA operations. The key pairs were generated in accordance with procedures described in OATI’s Certificate Policy (CP) and Certification Practice Statement (CPS), and its Root Key Generation Script(s), which are based on CA Key Generation Criterion 4.1 of the [WebTrust Principles and Criteria for Certification Authorities v2.2.2](#).

OATI management established and maintained effective controls over the generation of these keys. These controls were designed to provide reasonable assurance of adherence to the above-mentioned practices throughout the root key generation process.

OATI management is responsible for establishing and maintaining procedures over its CA root key generations, and over the integrity and confidentiality of all private keys and access keys (including physical keys, tokens, and passwords) used in the establishment of the OATI Root CAs, and for the CA environment controls relevant to the generation and protection of its CA keys.

OATI management has assessed the procedures and controls for the generation of the CA keys. Based on that assessment, in management’s opinion, in generation and protecting its CA keys for the OATI Root CAs on December 08, 2025, at its Bloomington, Minnesota, USA, location with the following identifying information:

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Open Access Technology International, Inc.
December 11, 2025