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Anti-Malware Testing Standards Organization Policy Regarding Classes of Member

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Purpose and Scope

The Anti-Malware Testing Standards Organization ("AMTSO") Amended Bylaws provide for classes of Members. AMTSO has created two types of Entity Members, a Tester Member and a Non-Tester Member, for purposes of achieving a balance of interest among the membership for voting purposes. If the aforementioned classes are modified or no longer apply then AMTSO will revise or sunset this policy. The Amended Bylaws provides a definition of Tester Member that includes a revenue test, and leaves the determination to Board. AMTSO would like to protect against any subjective or biased determination of the definition of Tester and guard against any unfair application of the definition. Therefore the purpose of this Policy is to clarify that Entity Members will self-select their status of Tester or Non-Tester, and provide for alternate process for Members that object to using the primary definition of Tester, but still have a legitimate interest in being counted as a Tester. This policy should be made available publicly in a manner consistent with the availability of the AMTSO Bylaws. The policy will be applicable to all Members upon adoption by the Board of AMTSO.

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Form for Selection of Type of Entity Member

Entity Members will have the option to select Non-Tester Member and Tester Member. Definitions of each shall be provided. Members that select Tester Member by selecting option (A) indicating and attesting that they satisfy the primary test – related to the deriving revenue from testing or test reports, or option (B) indicating and attesting that they have a legitimate reason to be designated as a Tester, and if an Entity Member selects option B they are also required to add a written description of their reasons for self-designating as a Tester for purposes of being included in that segment of the industry. The results of self-designations will be published to the AMTSO website, including the written reasons listed in option B.

Disputes or Challenges

If a Member disputes the self-designation of another Member of AMTSO, their only recourse shall be follow the dispute resolution process identified in the Bylaws with regards to controversies and claims related to Bylaws or policies of AMTSO.

This policy was adopted by unanimous written consent of the AMTSO Board of Directors on: 2019-06-03

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