EXECUTIVE SUMMARY: This OPEN Alliance, Inc. (the “Alliance”) Working Group Participation Policy (this “Policy”) is effective as of December 23, 2020 (the “Effective Date”). The Alliance is the successor to the activities previously undertaken in the OPEN Alliance SIG membership organization (the “SIG”). This Policy pertains to participation in those Working Groups of the Alliance, as such are described in the Alliance Bylaws (“Working Groups”), including those which were formerly Tech Committees of the SIG.

PURPOSE AND SCOPE: The Purpose of this policy is to permit Members of the SIG (“Legacy Members”) to continue to participate in those SIG Tech Committees that are now Working Groups of the Alliance. This Policy applies to Legacy Members as well as Members of the Alliance (“Members”) who participate in Working Groups.

POLICY

(a) Members in good standing may participate in Working Groups in accordance with the applicable provisions of the Alliance Bylaws, the Working Group Operating Procedures, as well as any other applicable Working Group policies or guidelines developed by the Board of Directors. Activities in the Alliance’s Working Groups will not begin until after the Effective Date.

(b) Legacy Members may participate in the SIG Tech Committees that have transitioned to Working Groups until January 15, 2020. After this period, Legacy Members must convert to Membership in the Alliance in order to continue participating in Working Groups.

(c) On November 10, 2020, the Alliance adopted Version 4.0 of the OPEN Alliance Intellectual Property Rights Policy as its initial Intellectual Property Rights Policy (the “IPR Policy”). The rights, obligations, and other provisions set forth in the IPR Policy are binding upon both Members’ and Legacy Members’ participation in Working Groups. Commencing as of the Effective Date, Legacy Members who participate in Working Group activities may not make Contributions to Draft Specifications or other developments of Working Groups until they convert to Membership in the Alliance.

(d) Members may vote in Working Groups in accordance with the Alliance Bylaws and Working Group Operating Procedures. Legacy Members may vote in Working Groups upon conversion to Membership in the Alliance.

(e) After January 15, 2020, Legacy Members will not be able to access the OPEN Alliance repository of shared information maintained in Causeway and their login credentials will be disabled.