X.509 Certificate and Certificate Revocation List (CRL) Extensions Profile for Personal Identity Verification Interoperable (PIV-I) Cards

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To: Federal PKI Policy Authority (FKIPA)

From: PKI Certificate Policy Working Group (CPWG)


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Title: Modifying EKU Requirements


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Change summary: Implementation of this request will give organizations a choice with respect to the use of the anyExtendedKeyUsage value.

Background:
In 2011 it was discovered that the Microsoft approach to identifying and validating code signing certificates created the potential for an otherwise valid end-user signing or authentication certificate to be exploited for use as a code signing certificate. Subsequently, a key management certificate successfully signed a macro in Microsoft EXCEL. This risk exists for the U.S. Federal PKI and other similarly operated PKIs where the code-signing attribute is asserted for the root certificate in the Microsoft trusted certificate store and the X.509 certificate extension
“Extended Key Usage (EKK)” is either not present or includes the *anyExtendedKeyUsage* value. While this risk can be mitigated by requesting Microsoft remove the code-signing attribute from the Common Policy Root, some certificate issuers wish to be able to not include the *anyExtendedKeyUsage* value in end user certificates. To allow this, the Federal PKI certificate profiles that require the use of the *anyExtendedKeyUsage* value must be modified.

**Specific Changes:**

Insertions are *underlined*, deletions are in *strikethrough*:

Worksheet 5: PIV-I Authentication Certificate Profile

| extKeyUsage | FALSE | This extension need not appear. If included to support specific applications, the extension *should be non-critical and MUST* may include the *anyExtendedKeyUsage* value. If *anyExtendedKeyUsage* is not included, the 3 values listed for keyPurposeID should be included for authentication purposes. Additional key purposes may be specified.  
*Note: Organizations that choose not to include the *anyExtendedKeyUsage* value may experience interoperability issues if the specific EKU required by an application is absent.* |
| --- | --- | --- |
| keyPurposeID | 1.3.6.1.4.1.311.20.2.2 | Microsoft Smart Card Logon  
smartCardLogon |
|  | 1.3.6.1.5.5.7.3.2 | TLS client authentication |
|  | 1.3.6.1.5.2.3.4 | id-pkinit-KPClientAuth |
|  | 2.5.29.37.0 | anyExtendedKeyUsage OID indicates that the certificate may also be used for other purposes meeting the requirements specified in the key usage extension. |

Worksheet 6: PIV-I Digital Signature Certificate Profile

| extKeyUsage | BOOLEAN | This extension need not appear. If included in a certificate that is specifically designated for use in a single application, the extension may be marked either critical or non-critical. If included in any other certificate (to support specific applications), the extension must include the *anyExtendedKeyUsage* value if *anyExtendedKeyUsage* is not included, the 3 values listed for keyPurposeID shall be included for signing purposes. Additional key purposes may be specified.  
*Note: Organizations that choose not to include the *anyExtendedKeyUsage* value may experience.* |
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keyPurposeID | 1.3.6.1.5.5.7.3.4 | id-kp-emailProtection

| 1.3.6.1.4.1.311.10.3.12 | MSFT Document Signing |

| 1.2.840.113583.1.1.5 | Adobe Certified Document Signing |

| 2.5.29.37.0 | anyExtendedKeyUsage OID indicates that the certificate may also be used for other purposes meeting the requirements specified in the key usage extension. |

**Estimated Cost:** Changes to end entity certificates as a result of this Change Proposal are optional. Cost to implement is determined by the Entity choosing to implement the option. If issuers choose to restrict the uses of their certificates by including extended key usage extensions without `anyExtendedKeyUsage` then some relying party applications may be unable to accept these certificates. Relying parties may incur costs associated with updating applications or issuing organizations may incur costs associated with reissuing certificate with the necessary key purposes.

**Implementation Date:**
The ability to make this change will be effective upon approval by the FPKIPA and incorporation into PIV-I Profiles. Implementation of the option should be coordinated between the CA and its customers.

Per the 10 March 2015 FPKIPA meeting, the FPKIPA will monitor the impact of this profile change and revisit this decision after gaining experience with the change to determine if the interoperability problems arise.

**Prerequisites for Adoption:**
Not Applicable.

**Plan to Meet Prerequisites:**
Not Applicable

**Approval and Coordination Dates:**
Date presented to CPWG: January 14, 2015

Date presented to FPKIPA: April 7, 2015
Date of approval by FPKIPA: May 1, 2015