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Whom It May Concern:

Acumen Security verified that the following product faithfully embeds a FIPS 140-2 validated cryptographic module,

- **Cisco ESS 3300 Embedded Services Series Switches**

The hardware is known to operate with the following software;

- **Polaris XE-16.9**

During the course of the review, Acumen Security confirmed that the following cryptographic module is properly incorporated into the product:

- **IOS Common Cryptographic Module (IC2M) Rel5 – FIPS 140-2 Cert #2388**

As part of the review, the software was tested on the following platform(s):

- **ESS 3300**

Acumen Security confirmed that the following features leverage the embedded cryptographic module to provide cryptographic services for **SSH**.

- Session establishment supporting each service,
- All underlying cryptographic algorithms supporting each services' key derivation functions,
- Hashing for each service.
- Symmetric encryption for each service.

Details of the verification may be obtained from Cisco Systems, Inc. at the request of interested parties. This letter represents the independent opinions of Acumen Security and does not imply endorsement of the product by the CMVP or any other parties.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'A. Vora', is positioned above the printed name.

Ashit Vora
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