OPEN-IX ASSOCIATION
DATA CENTER STANDARDS COMMITTEE POLICY
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OPEN-IX DATA CENTER STANDARDS COMMITTEE CHARTER
The purpose of the Open-IX Data Center Standards Committee is to engage in the process of maintaining the OIX-2 certification to support transparent, resilient, and sustainable operations of data center facilities so that the global internet community benefits from a stable and scalable foundation to operate from.

REVIEWING APPLICATIONS FOR COMPLIANCE
The Data Center Standards Committee is to be primarily engaged in the review of applications for technical compliance with the OIX-2 Standard. The Committee will meet bi-weekly to discuss applications and conduct its other business. If questions arise during application reviews, the chair, or a delegated member of the committee will communicate directly with the applicant to clarify or provide greater detail. If required, the Committee may request the applicant to amend its application. Upon the committee's approval of the application, the chair will distribute the application to the members list for open and public comment. After 7 calendar days, if no public comments result in delaying board review, the application will be recommended to the board for approval.

MAINTAINING THE OIX-2 STANDARD
The Data Center Standards Committee will be responsible for reviewing the OIX-2 Standard on an annual basis. The focus of any recommended changes to the Standard will be on maintaining relevance in the wake of new technologies and evolving best practices. After the annual review, the Committee will propose any recommended changes to the members. After allowing 14 calendar days for ensuing dialogue and potential further modification, the committee will present its recommended changes to the board for final approval. Additionally, from time to time, in the practical application of the standard, the Committee may deem it appropriate to modify or clarify the Standard. This may be done by simply recommending any such changes to the members list, and after allowing 14 calendar days for ensuing dialogue, make its recommendation to the board.

DEVELOPMENT OF TOOLS AND RESOURCES
The Data Center Standards Committee will also develop and maintain tools and resources for the community such as RFIs, RFPs and Questionnaires, among others. These documents will be grounded in the principles of Open-IX and the OIX-2 Standard. The purpose of these resources will be to assist potential buyers of data center space to fully understand the multiple criteria that may influence a good procurement decision.

NEW STANDARDS/PROJECTS
From time to time, the Data Center Standards Committee may consider development of additional standards or other special projects based on membership support or at the request of

the board of directors. The Committee, in such cases, may perform work to pursue the objectives of the organization in ways not contemplated by this document.

DATA CENTER STANDARDS POLICY REVIEW

The BOD will review this policy on a bi-annual basis.