

**OpenPegasus Project
Contribution Agreement**

Agreement dated this _____ day of _____, _____

BETWEEN

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and

_____, _____, _____,

(Individual or Organization) (Street Address) (City)

_____, _____, _____ (“Contributor or You”).

(State/Region) (Postal Code) (Country)

WHEREAS, The Open Group has established the OpenPegasus Project for the benefit of its members, and

WHEREAS, Contributor wishes to make Contributions to the Project on the terms and conditions set out below,

IT IS HEREBY AGREED as follows:

1. DEFINITIONS

Contribution means a submission to the Project, including but not limited to source code, designs, and documentation.

Contributor means any individual or organization that has signed the OpenPegasus Contribution Agreement.

Procedures means the Project Procedures as shall be determined from time to time by the Steering Committee and displayed on the Project web site.

OpenPegasus Open Source License means the license as presented in Attachment 1 or as subsequently modified by agreement of the Steering Committee and displayed on the Project website.

Project means the OpenPegasus Project.

Software means the OpenPegasus software.

Sponsor means an organization that is a current member of the Steering Committee.

Steering Committee means the group set up to manage the work of the Project.

2. OBLIGATIONS OF CONTRIBUTOR

2.1. **Procedures.** The Contributor has reviewed, hereby approves and agrees to abide by this Agreement. Terms used in this Agreement have the same meaning as when the same terms are used in the Procedures. The Contributor agrees to act in accordance with the Procedures.

2.2. **Contribution.** The Contributor may submit Contributions to the Project subject to the terms of this Agreement.

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3.2.1.4. Contributions developed for any other project, whether proprietary or open source, will not be accepted, except by the exception process described below.

3.2.1.5. All Contributions must be in accordance with the Procedures as displayed on the Project website.

3.2.2. Exceptional Contributions

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FOR AND ON BEHALF OF FOR AND ON BEHALF OF

The Contributor

The Open Group

Name: _____
Signature: _____
Title: _____
Date: _____

Name: _____
Signature: _____
Title: _____
Date: _____

Tick the appropriate box below to indicate the capacity in which you signing this agreement.

Individual Organization

ATTACHMENT 1

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