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7 **Abstract**

8 This document is a draft proposal whose purpose is to solicit additional input and convey the
9 current state of the ebXML Registry Service recommendations.

10 This document defines the various Registry Services as interaction protocols and processes
11 between an ebXML capable party and the ebXML Registry. It is assumed that all interactions
12 between the party and the ebXML registry will be conducted using ebXML Messaging Service.

13 **Notational Conventions**

14 The key words "MUST", "MUST NOT", "REQUIRED", "SHALL", "SHALL NOT", "SHOULD",
15 "SHOULD NOT", "RECOMMENDED", "MAY", and "OPTIONAL" in this document are to be
16 interpreted as described in Key Words for Use in RFC's to Indicate Requirement Levels (RFC
17 2119).

18 **Status of this Document**

19 This document represents work in progress upon which no reliance should be made.

20 **Document Version History**

- 21 o Version 0.1: Initial version (not released)
- 22 o Version 0.2: Corrections based on internal review (not released)
- 23 o Version 0.3: Added DocumentManager, Removed SchemaManager and ProcessManager
- 24 o Version 0.4: Added support for Querying the Registry. Added DTDs for all documents
25 currently defined



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27 write from previous version. Replaced DocumentManager with ObjectManager and
28 associated name changes (e.g. DocumentInfo replaced with ManagedObject). Factored out
29 information model aspects in separate document [3]. Added QueryManager. Removed TPA
30 Manager. Changed terminology where relevant to better align with [2]. Changed Registrar to
31 Registry, Registrant to RegistryClient. Completely redid the DTD definition based on
32 Repository Information Model spec [3].
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35 handling specification. Changed registerOrganization to registerParty. Changes made to
36 almost all DTDs with major changes in the area of classification. This was due to
37 simplifications in classification model. DTDs now allow for multiple object submission with
38 optional classifications defined. The new DTDs also allow for multiple object approval,
39 deprecation, and removal. Changed GetClassifiedObjectsRequest so that multiple
40 classifications may be specified.
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126 1 Introduction

127 This document defines the ebXML Registry Services as a set of specialized business processes.
128 Clients of the ebXML Registry are referred to as RegistryClients while the ebXML Registry itself
129 is referred to as Registry.

130 [Note] For interoperability reasons it is required
131 that a Registry implementation *must* support its
132 service interfaces using the ebXML Messaging
133 Service bindings defined in this document. A
134 Registry implementation is free to provide any
135 other technology bindings (e.g. LDAP) as a non-
136 interoperable implementation specific detail.

137 All interaction between RegistryClients and the Registry are treated as if they are B2B
138 interactions between trading partners. Thus the processes supported by the Registry are
139 described in terms of:

- 140 o A special TPA between the Registry and RegistryClient
- 141 o A set of business processes involving the Registry and RegistryClient
- 142 o A set of business messages that are exchanged between the Registry and
143 RegistryClient as part of a specific Registry business process

144 1.1 Purpose and Scope

145 This document provides sufficient detail to develop:

- 146 o The specified functionality of the ebXML Registry Services
- 147 o ebXML based applications that utilize the Registry Services functionality specified in this
148 document

149 Software practitioners MAY use this document in combination with other ebXML specification
150 documents when creating ebXML compliant software.

151 **NOTE: This version describes only some of the Registry Services that are likely to be**
152 **needed by the proposed Tokyo POC scenarios. Several Registry Services identified in [2]**
153 **are currently unspecified and will be added in a later version. Some of the missing**
154 **functionality includes:**

- 155 o **Security (assuming it will be provided by ebXML Messaging Service Specification)**
- 156 o **Transformation Service**
- 157 o **Workflow Service**
- 158 o **Quality Assurance Service.**

159 1.1.1 Goals

160 The goals of this version of the specification are to:

- 161 o Communicate functionality of registry services to software developers
- 162 o Meet the immediate requirements of the Tokyo POC demo scenarios
- 163 o Able to evolve in future to support more complete ebXML Registry and Repository
164 requirements



- 165 o Be compatible with other ebXML specifications

166 1.2 Related ebXML Specifications

167 The following set of related specifications may be of interest to the reader:

- 168 a) Registry and Repository Part 1: Business Domain Model [2]
- 169 b) ebXML Repository Information Model [3]
- 170 c) Messaging Service Specification [4]
- 171 d) Business Process Meta Model Specification [5]
- 172 e) Trading-Partner Specification [7]

173 1.3 General Conventions

- 174 o *“managed object”* is used to refer to actual repository content (not meta data) instance (e.g. a
175 DTD)
- 176 o *“ManagedObject”* is used to refer to an object that provides meta data about content instance
177 (managed object).
- 178 o The information model *does not* contain *any* elements that are the actual content of the
179 repository (managed object). All elements of the information model represent meta data
180 about the content and not the content itself.
- 181 o UML diagrams are used as a way to concisely describe business processes, collaboration
182 and concepts. They are not intended to convey any specific implementation requirements.
- 183 o The Registry Service processes are described as UML diagrams. The intent is to describe
184 business processes in a concise manner in terms of ebXML TRP. The reader must acquaint
185 themselves with section 3.1 (abstract) and section 3.2 (concrete example), in order to
186 understand these processes based on their UML description.

187 1.4 Guiding Principals

188 The following principals guided the work represented by this document:

- 189 o Keep it Simple (KISS)
- 190 o All access to repository content is through interaction with Registry Services
- 191 o Interactions between Registry Services and its client are a special case of partner-to-partner
192 business process. In fact there is a TPA between clients and Registry Services
- 193 o Interactions between Registry Services and its client are based on ebXML TRP messaging

194 1.5 Specification Structure

195 This specification is organized around the following main topics:

- 196 o **Overview** - A high level description of the Registry Service



- 197 o **Registration Service-** A description of the initial registration functionality that bootstraps the
198 communication between a Party associated with a Submitting Organization and the Registry
199 Services. This section is important to understand fully as it serves as a blueprint when
200 reading subsequent sections on how to interpret UML representation of the registry services
201 interfaces.
- 202 o **Object Management Service-** A description of the Object Management functionality of the
203 ebXML Registry that simplifies the definition and subsequent sharing of business objects
204 (e.g. documents) between partners. The types of objects that may be shared are defined in
205 [3] and include Schema documents (e.g. DTDs), Business Process descriptions (e.g. XML
206 documents and software components compliant to a registered business process), Party
207 Profiles and TPAs.
- 208 o **Object Query Management Service-** A description of the Object Query Management
209 functionality of the ebXML Registry that enables querying the repository for managed
210 objects.
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211 **2 Overview**

212 **2.1 Role of ebXML Registry**

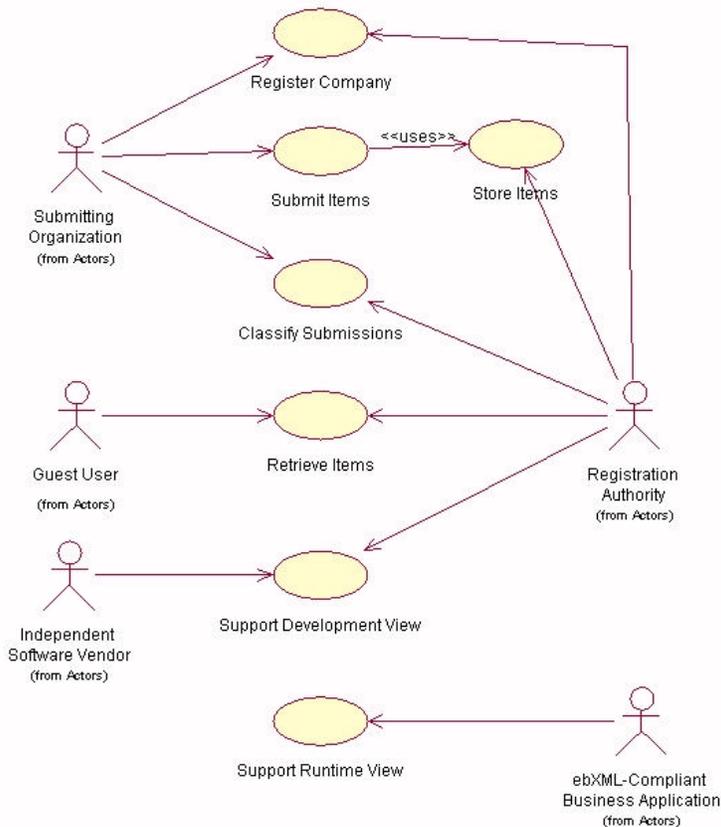
213 The ebXML Registry provides a set of distributed services that enable sharing of information
 214 between interested parties for the purpose of enabling business process integration between
 215 such parties based on the ebXML specifications. The shared information is maintained as objects
 216 in an ebXML Repository [3] that is managed by the ebXML Registry Services defined in this
 217 document and its future versions. All access to the repository is exposed via the interfaces
 218 defined for the Registry Services.

219 **2.2 Use Cases for the Registry Services**

220 This section describes at a high level some use cases illustrating how registry clients may make
 221 use of the registry Services to conduct B2B exchanges. It is meant to be illustrative and not
 222 prescriptive.

223 **2.2.1 Business Domain Workflow Use Cases**

224 Figure 1: shows the Business Domain Workflow Use Cases as identified in [2].



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 226 **Figure 1: Business Domain Workflow Use Cases**



227 The following scenario textually exemplifies a *subset* of above use cases in terms of interaction
228 between registry clients and the registry. It is currently not a complete listing of use cases
229 envisioned in [2]. It assumes for purposes of example, a buyer and a seller that wish to conduct
230 B2B exchanges using the Rosetta Net PIP3A4 Purchase Order business protocol. It is assumed
231 that both buyer and seller use the same registry service provided by a 3rd party. Note that the
232 architecture supports other possibilities (e.g. each party uses their own private registry). It is
233 assumed that the Registry Service is always operational for the use cases described below.

234 **2.2.2 Parties Register With Registry**

235 Both parties register with the Registry using the Registration Service described in section 3.

236 **2.2.3 Schema Documents Are Submitted**

237 Either the buyer or the seller or a registered 3rd party can submit the necessary schema
238 documents required by the Rosetta Net PIP3A4 Purchase Order business protocol with the
239 Registry using the Object Manager service of the Registry described in section 4.3.

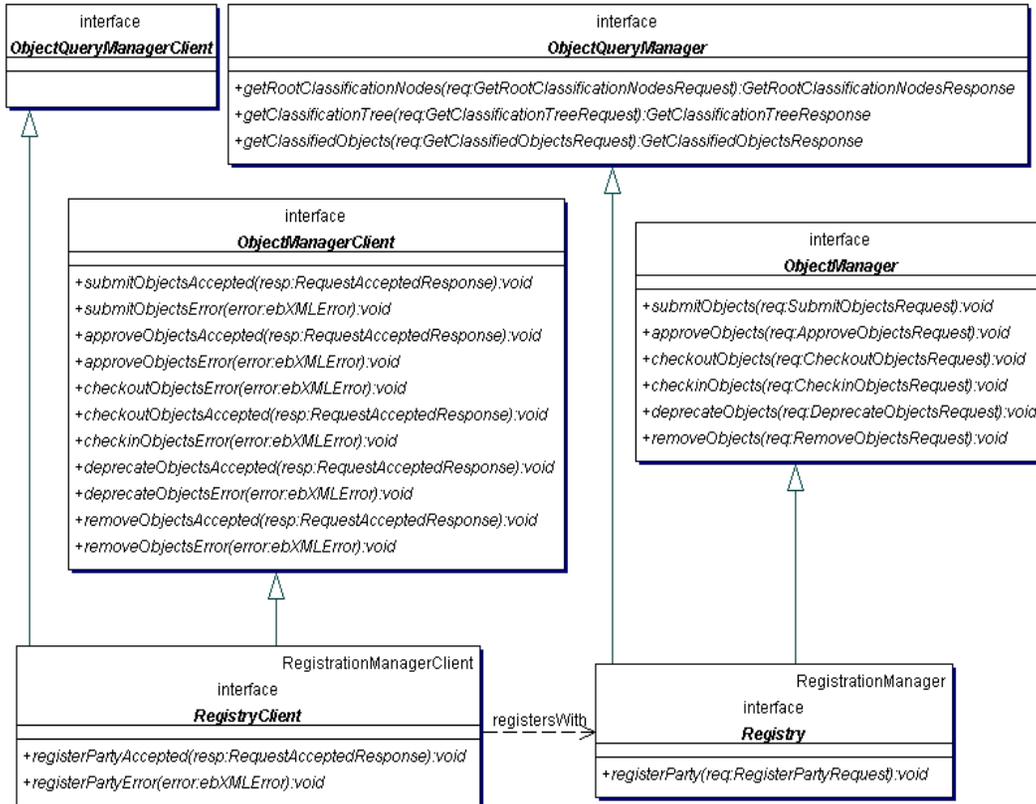
240 **2.2.4 Business Process Documents Are Submitted**

241 Either the buyer or the seller or a registered 3rd party can submit the necessary business process
242 documents required by the Rosetta Net PIP3A4 Purchase Order business protocol with the
243 Registry using the Object Manager service of the Registry described in section 4.3.

244 **2.2.5 TPA is Submitted**

245 Either the buyer or the seller can now create a concrete TPA document that will be used by both
246 parties to conduct B2B exchanges based on the Rosetta Net PIP3A4 Purchase Order business
247 protocol. This is done using a TPA Assembler tool that is a client of the registry services and
248 uses registry services to assemble a TPA from submitted TPA elements. The resulting TPA is
249 submitted to the Registry using the Object Manager service of the Registry described in section
250 4.3.

251 Once the TPA is submitted the parties may now begin to conduct B2B transaction as defined by
252 [4].



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Figure 2: Registry Services Class Diagram

255 Figure 2: Registry Services Class Diagram shows an abstract class diagram for the Registry
 256 Service. It is intended as a high level overview and does not prescribe any particular
 257 implementation. The Registry makes use of a Repository (not shown in diagram) for storing and
 258 retrieving persistent information required by the Registry Services.

259 2.3 Interfaces Implemented By Registry Service

260 The ebXML Registry is shown to implement the following interfaces as its sub-services (Registry
 261 Services):

- 262 1. **Registry:** This is the principal bootstrapping interface used by clients of Registry to register
 263 themselves as RegistryClients.
- 264 2. **ObjectManager:** This is the Object Management interface of the Registry services. It
 265 provides the functionality to manage the life cycle of any managed object in the repository.
- 266 3. **ObjectQueryManager:** This is the Object Query Management interface of the Registry
 267 services. It provides the functionality to receive query requests and return managed objects
 268 that match the specified query as a response.

269 2.4 Interfaces Implemented By Clients of Registry Service

270 An ebXML application that is a client of the Registry Service must implement the following
 271 interfaces:



- 272 1. **RegistryClient:** This is the principal interface implemented by a client of the Registry
273 Services. It is used by the Registry to communicate with the ebXML registry client
274 application during the initial bootstrapping registration process.
- 275 2. **ObjectManagerClient:** This is the interface implemented by a client of the Object
276 Management sub-service of the Registry Services. It is used by the ObjectManager to
277 communicate with the ebXML application during the Object Management process.
- 278 3. **ObjectQueryManagerClient:** This is the interface implemented by a client of the Object
279 Query sub-service of the Registry Services. It is used by the ObjectQueryManager to
280 communicate with the RegistryClient during the Object Query process.

281 3 Registration Service

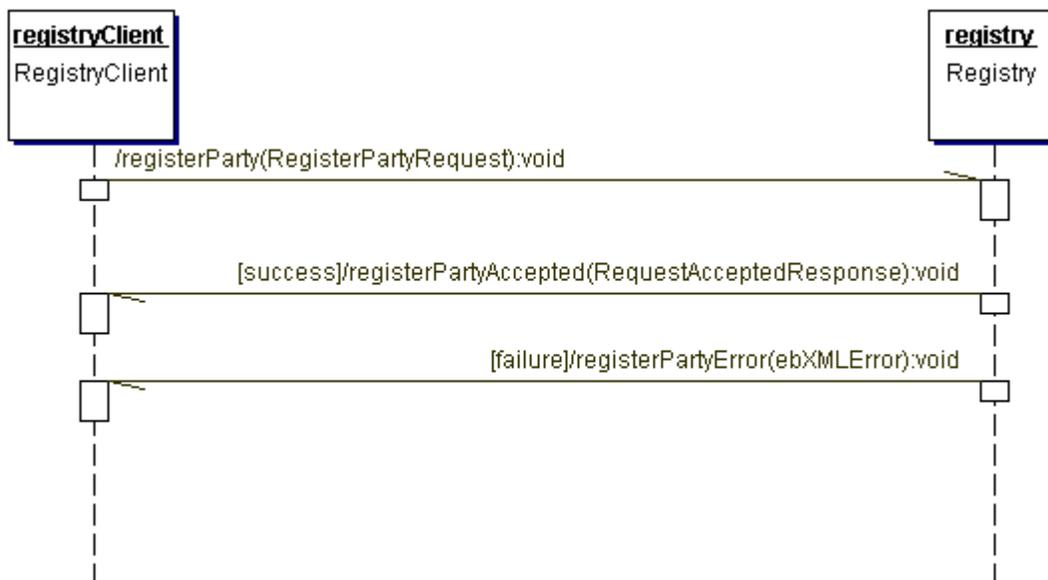
282 In order to submit or otherwise change content, a RegistryClient must register itself as Party
283 associated with an Organization with the Registry. An Organization currently can have a role of a
284 SubmittingOrganization, ResponsibleOrganization or a RegistrationAuthority as defined by
285 [6]. This is an essential bootstrapping process that is required prior to any other interaction
286 between the RegistryClient and the Registry Service.

287 [Note] Clients that only intend to browse the
288 repository content do not have to register with
289 the repository.

290 Because there is no previously established TPA between the Registry and the RegistryClient, the
291 Registry must somehow make public at least one well-known Transport specific communication
292 address. It is recommended that the registry at least make public a URL to its Registry Service
293 Interface.

294 This section describes the bootstrapping Registration Protocol of the Registry Service that allows
295 a client to register itself with the Registry.

296 Since this is the first use of the stylized use of UML notation in this document, the diagram will
297 be followed by its interpretation. Future processes in the document will only be described
298 pictorially in the interest of brevity.



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Figure 2: Bootstrap Registration Process Sequence Diagram

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3.1 Interpretation of UML Diagrams Describing an ebXML Business

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This section describes in *abstract terms* the conventions used to define ebXML business process description in UML.

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3.1.1 UML Class Diagram

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A UML class diagram is used to describe the Service Interfaces and Actions (as defined by [7]) required to implement an ebXML business process. See Figure 2: Registry Services Class Diagram for an example. The UML class diagram contains:

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1. A collection of UML classes where each class represents an ebXML document. Such class definitions, their attributes and their relationships can be used to create schema elements by a schema assembler tool that is a RegistryClient.

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2. A collection of UML interfaces where each interface represents a Service Interface.

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3. A collection of methods on each interface where each method represents an Action (as defined by [7]) within the Service Interface representing the UML interface.

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4. Each method within a UML interface specifies one or more parameters, where the type of each method argument represents the ebXML message type that is exchanged as part of the Action corresponding to the method. Multiple arguments imply multiple payload documents within the body of the corresponding ebXML message.

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3.1.2 UML Sequence Diagram

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A UML sequence diagram is used to specify the business protocol representing the interactions between the UML interfaces for an ebXML business process. A UML sequence diagram provides the necessary information to determine the sequencing of messages, request to response association as well as request to error response association as described by [7].

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Each sequence diagram shows the sequence for a specific conversation protocol as method calls from the requestor to the responder. Method invocation may be synchronous or asynchronous based on the UML notation used on the arrow-head for the link. Each method invocation may be followed by a response method invocation from the responder to the requestor to indicate the ResponseName for the previous Request. Possible error response is indicated by a conditional response method invocation from the responder to the requestor. See Figure 2 for an example.

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3.2 Interpretation of Bootstrap Registration Process Sequence Diagram

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This section describes in *concrete terms* the conventions used to define ebXML business process description in UML diagrams. It uses the Bootstrap Registration Process as a concrete example.

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There is an implicit TPA between the Registry and the ebXML application that is a client to the Registry services. This TPA defines the Bootstrap Registration Process shown above.

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336 **3.2.1 Service Interfaces Defined**

337 In the implicit TPA there are two Business Interfaces which are represented by the UML
338 interfaces in UML sequence diagram above. The Registry must export a Service Interface called
339 the Registry interface. The registry client must export a Service Interface called the
340 RegistryClient interface.

341 **3.2.2 The Actions Defined On Service Interfaces**

342 The Registry interface must support an action named registerParty. The RegistryClient uses the
343 registerParty action of the Registry interface to register its Party and associated Organization
344 with the Registry.

345 The RegistryClient interface must support the following actions for receiving responses to
346 requests made to the Registry:

- 347 1. A registerPartyAccepted action that is used by Registry to notify RegistryClient of
348 successful registration. This serves as a business level Acknowledgement Response to
349 the register action.
- 350 2. A registerPartyError action that is used by Registry to notify RegistryClient of a failure
351 during registration. This serves as an Error Response to the register action.

352 **3.2.3 Requests Defined For Action**

353 The Registry interface defines an action with id of registerParty (corresponding to the interface
354 method).

355 **3.2.3.1 Requests Messages Defined For Request**

356 The register action has a request whose RequestName and RequestMessage are both
357 RegisterPartyRequest. This name is derived from the action name (with first letter capitalized)
358 appended with the suffix Request.

359 **3.2.3.2 Responses Defined For Request**

360 Each Request message may have a Response message associated with it. The ResponseName
361 is inferred from the sequence diagram from the name of the method called upon success of the
362 Request method invocation.

363 Most Registry Requests in this document consistently use a standard business level
364 acknowledgement response message of type RequestAcceptedResponse.

365 **3.2.3.3 Exception Responses Defined For Request**

366 Each Request message may have one or more Exception Response messages associated with
367 it. The ExceptionResponseName is inferred from the sequence diagram from the name of the
368 method called upon failure of the Request method invocation.

369 Most Registry Requests in this document consistently use the generic ebXMLError message
370 defined by [8] as a business level error response message.

371 **3.2.4 Messages Defined For Requests and Responses**

372 The type of ebXML message exchanged during each interaction (method invocation in diagram)
373 can be inferred from the type of argument for each method invocation.



374 The RegisterPartyRequest message must contain either an Organization element that provides
375 information on the Organization being registered, or a ManagedObjectRef element that is a
376 reference to a previously defined Organization. Note that it is possible to have multiple Parties
377 be associated with the same Organization.

378 The RegisterPartyRequest message must also contain a Party Profile element that describes the
379 RegistryClient's half of the special TPA between the Registry and the RegistryClient. See
380 Appendix AA.4 for details.

381 3.2.5 Registry Service Interface in TPA SPECIFICATION

382 The above specification of the Registry service interface is expressed in TPA SPECIFICATION
383 [7] as follows¹:

```
384 <BusinessInterface>  
385   <ServiceInterface InterfaceId = "Registry">  
386     <OrgName Partyname = "Registry">Registry</OrgName>  
387     <TaskName>RegisterPartyRequest</TaskName>  
388     <ActionMenu>  
389       <Action id = "registerParty" Type = "basic" Invocation = "asyncOnly">  
390         <Request>  
391           <RequestName>RegisterPartyRequest</RequestName>  
392           <RequestMessage>RegisterPartyRequest</RequestMessage>  
393         </Request>  
394         <Response Required = "yes">  
395           <ResponseName>RequestAcceptedResponse</ResponseName>  
396         </Response>  
397         <ExceptionResponse>  
398           <ExceptionResponseName>ebXMLError</ExceptionResponseName>  
399         </ExceptionResponse>  
400       </Action>  
401     </ActionMenu>  
402   </ServiceInterface>  
403 </BusinessInterface>
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405 3.2.6 RegistryClient Service Interface in TPA SPECIFICATION

406 The above specification of the RegistryClient service interface is expressed in TPA
407 SPECIFICATION [7] as follows²:

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408 <BusinessInterface>  
409   <ServiceInterface InterfaceId = "RegistryClient">  
410     <OrgName Partyname = "RegistryClient">RegistryClient</OrgName>  
411     <TaskName>RegisterPartyResponse</TaskName>  
412     <ActionMenu>  
413       <Action id = "registerPartyAccepted" Type = "basic" Invocation = "asyncOnly">  
414         <Request>  
415           <RequestName>RequestAcceptedResponse</RequestName>  
416           <RequestMessage> RequestAcceptedResponse </RequestMessage>  
417         </Request>  
418         <Response Required = "no"/>  
419       </Action>  
420       <Action id = "registerPartyError" Type = "basic" Invocation = "asyncOnly">  
421         <Request>  
422           <RequestName>ebXMLError</RequestName>  
423           <RequestMessage> ebXMLError</RequestMessage>  
424         </Request>  
425         <Response Required = "no"/>  
426       </Action>  
427     </ActionMenu>
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¹ It should be noted that this XML fragment is tentative since the exact grammar of the ebXML TPA has not yet been defined.

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428 </ServiceInterface>
 429 </BusinessInterface>

430 4 Object Management Service

431 [Note] The workflow envisioned in [2] is not addressed
 432 completely in this version. This chapter is a
 433 simplified sub-set of that workflow.

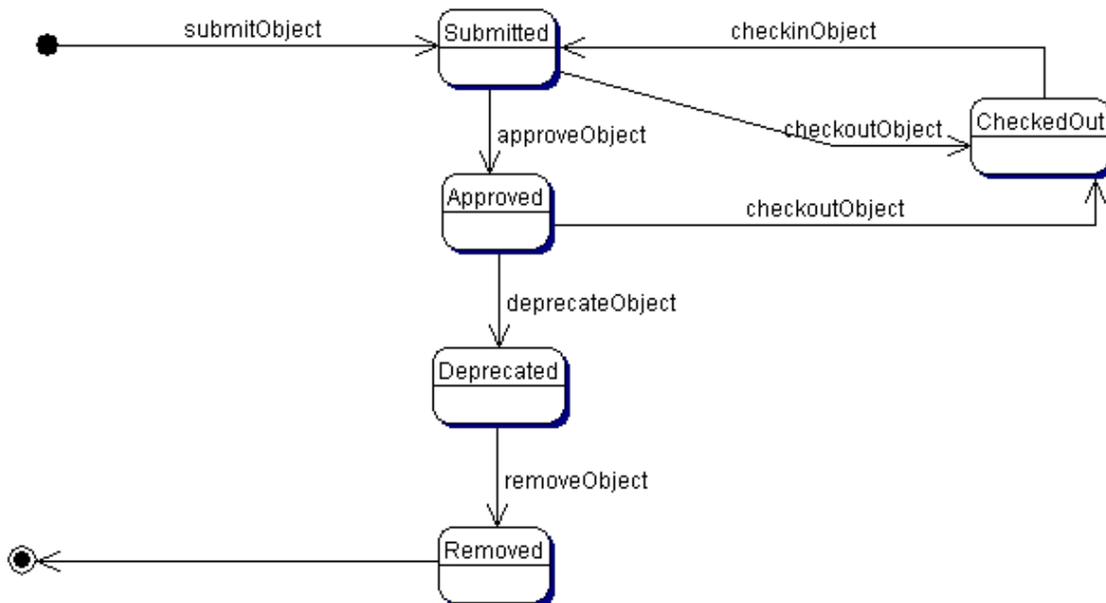
434 This section defines the Object Management service of the Registry. The Object Management
 435 Service is a sub-service of the Registry service. It provides the functionality required by
 436 RegistryClient's to manage the life cycle of managed objects (e.g. documents) required for
 437 ebXML business processes. The Object Management Service can be used with all types of
 438 managed objects including the built-in managed objects specified in [3] such as Classification
 439 and Association.

440 Once an ebXML client of the Registry Services has successfully been through the Bootstrapping
 441 Registration Process, it is now capable of using the Object Management services of the Registry.

442 4.1 Life Cycle of a Managed Object

443 The main purpose of the Object Management service is to manage the life cycle of managed
 444 objects in the repository.

445 Figure 3 shows the typical life cycle of a managed object.



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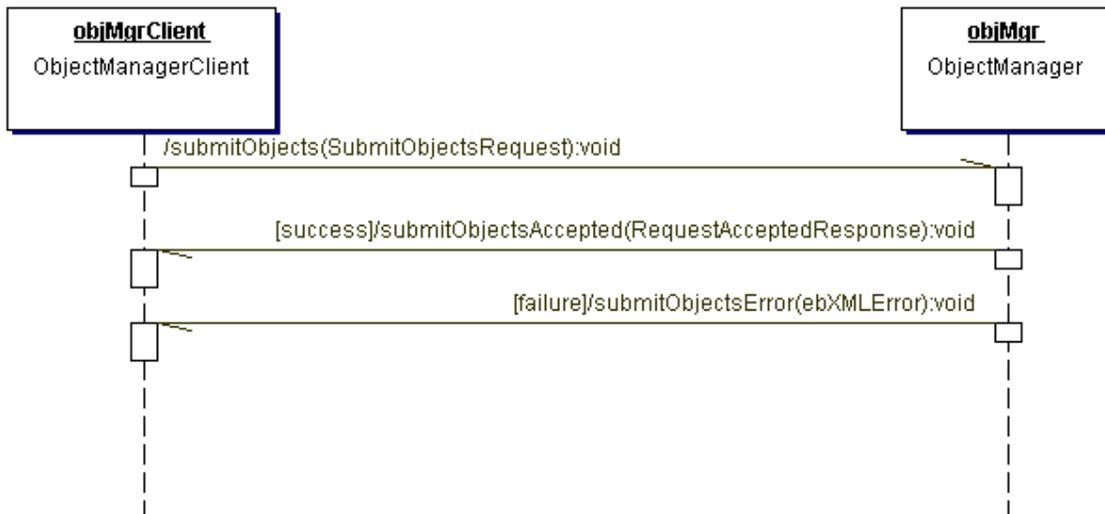
Figure 3: Life Cycle of a Managed Object

448 **4.2 Object Attributes**

449 A managed object is associated with a set of standard meta-data defined as attributes of the
 450 ManagedObject class described in [3]. These attributes reside outside of the actual object
 451 content and provide valuable meta-data about the managed object. An XML schema element
 452 called ManagedObject (See Appendix AA.3 for details.) is defined that encapsulates all object
 453 meta-data attributes defined in [3] as attributes of the schema element.

454 **4.3 The Submit Objects Protocol**

455 This section describes the protocol of the Registry Service that allows a RegistryClient to submit
 456 one or more managed objects in the repository using the *Object Manager* on behalf of a
 457 Submitting Organization. It is expressed in UML notation as described in section 3.1.



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459 **Figure 4: Submit Objects Sequence Diagram**

460 For details on the schema for the business documents shown in this process refer to Appendix
 461 AA.5.

462 **4.3.1 ManagedObject**

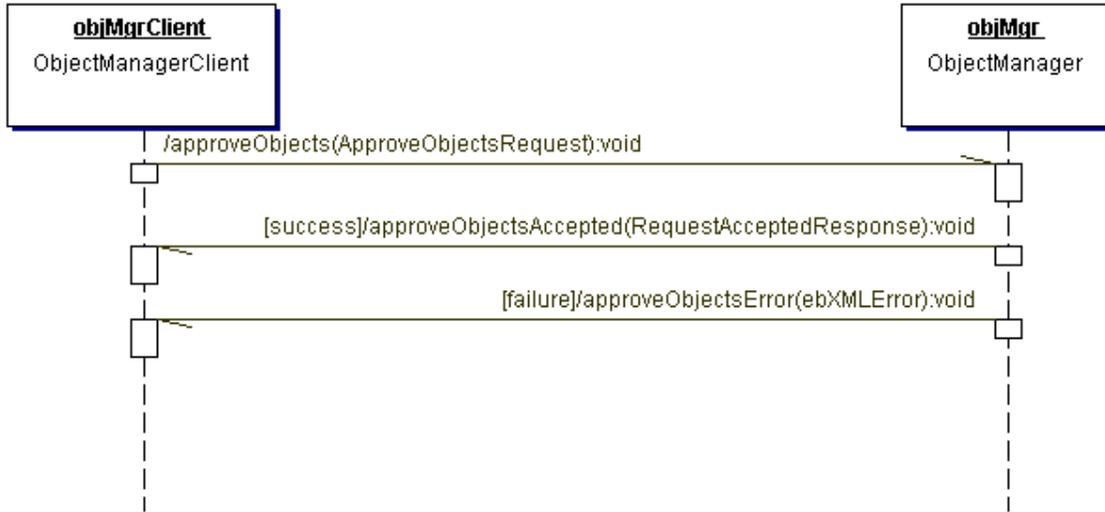
463 The SubmitObjectRequest message includes a ManagedObject element which identifies the
 464 Submitting Party. It also includes 1 or more SubmittedObject elements.

465 Each SubmittedObject element specifies a ManagedObject element which provides standard
 466 meta-data about the object being submitted to the repository as defined by [3]. Note that these
 467 standard ManagedObject attributes are separate from the managed object itself, thus allowing
 468 the ebXML Repository to catalog arbitrary objects. In addition each SubmittedObject in the
 469 request may optionally specify any number of Classifications or Associations for the
 470 SubmittedObject.

471 In summary each managed object in the Repository is associated with a standard set of meta-
 472 data attributes collectively described by a ManagedObject element in XML. A simple URI
 473 reference to a ManagedObject is represented in XML as a ManagedObjectRef element.

474 **4.4 The Approve Objects Request**

475 This section describes the protocol of the Registry Service that allows a client to approve one or
 476 more previously submitted managed objects using the Object Manager. Once a managed object
 477 is approved it will become available for use by business parties (e.g. during the assembly of new
 478 TPAs and Party Profiles). It is expressed in UML notation as described in section 3.1.



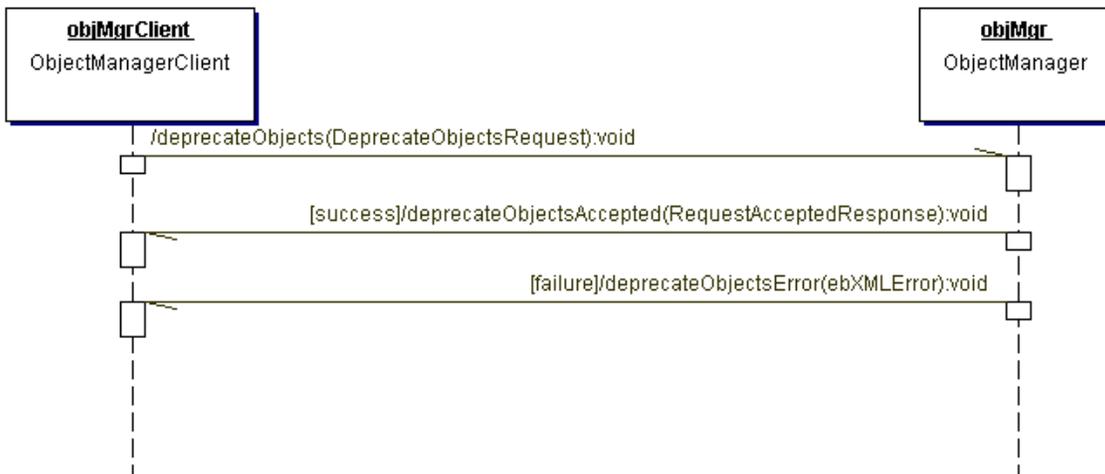
479

480 **Figure 5: Approve Objects Sequence Diagram**

481 For details on the schema for the business documents shown in this process refer to Appendix
 482 AA.6.

483 **4.5 The Deprecate Objects Request**

484 This section describes the protocol of the Registry Service that allows a client to deprecate one
 485 or more previously submitted managed object using the Object Manager. Once an object is
 486 deprecated, no *new* associations to that object can be submitted. In effect the managed object is
 487 marked as removed or deleted. However, existing references to a deprecated managed object
 488 continue to function normally. The deprecate object protocol is expressed in UML notation as
 489 described in section 3.1.



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491

Figure 6: Deprecate Objects Sequence Diagram

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For details on the schema for the business documents shown in this process refer to Appendix AA.7.

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494 **4.6 The Remove Objects Request**

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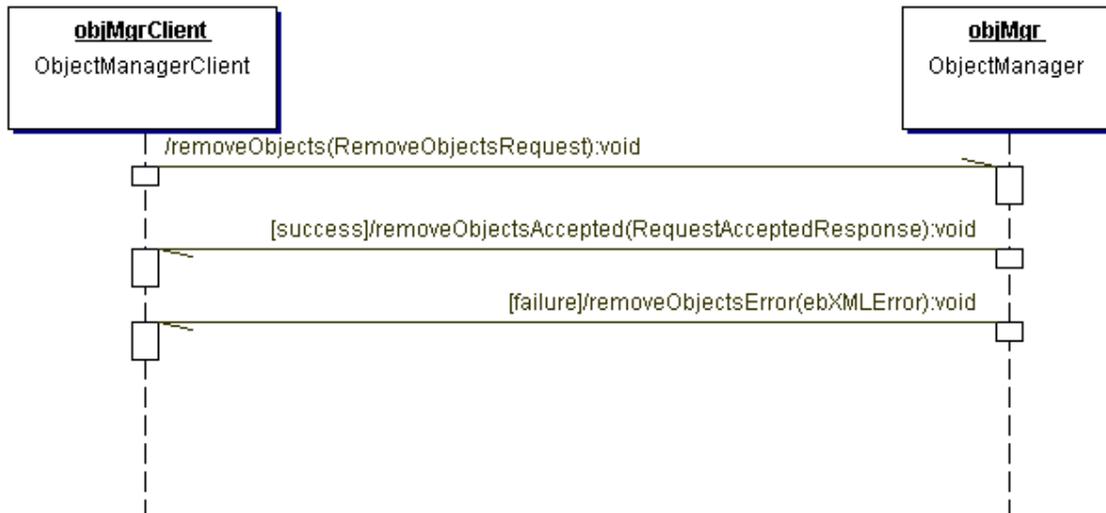
This section describes the protocol of the Registry Service that allows a client to remove one or more previously deprecated managed objects using the Object Manager. An object cannot be removed as long as there exists 1 or more objects with associations to that object. Once an object is removed it will not be present at all in the Registry. The remove object protocol is expressed in UML notation as described in section 3.1.

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Figure 7: Remove Objects Sequence Diagram

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For details on the schema for the business documents shown in this process refer to Appendix AA.8.

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504 **5 Object Query Management Service**

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This section describes the capabilities of the Registry Service that allows a client (ObjectQueryManagerClient) to search for (query) managed objects in the ebXML Repository using the ObjectQueryManager *interface of the Registry*.

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Due to the synchronous nature of queries all interactions between the ObjectQueryManagerClient and the ObjectQueryManager are synchronous in nature as reflected in the UML sequence diagrams that follow. Any errors in the query request messages are indicated in the corresponding query response message.

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512 **5.1 Design Goals For Object Query Management Support**

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The following goal motivated the design of Object Query Management service:

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1. Make it simple for Registry clients to query the registry for managed objects



- 515 2. Do not invent a new query language (a very large wheel to reinvent)
- 516 3. Make it simple for Registry providers to implement the Repository using a relational
- 517 database
- 518 4. Support all query mechanisms described in [3]
- 519 5. Leverage security mechanism that will be specified in ebXML TRP rather than inventing
- 520 a different model for the Registry

521 5.2 Browse and Drill Down Query Support

522 The browse and drill down query style is completely supported by the following primitive
523 interactions between the ObjectQueryManagerClient and the ObjectQueryManager.

524 5.2.1 Get Root Classification Nodes Request

525 An ObjectQueryManagerClient send this request to get a list of root ClassificationNodes (nodes
526 with no parent) defined in the repository. Note that it is possible to specify a namePattern
527 attribute that can filter on the name attribute of the root ClassificationNodes using a wildcard
528 pattern defined by SQL-92 LIKE clause. It is expressed in UML notation as described in section
529 3.1.



530

531 **Figure 8: Get Root Classification Nodes Sequence Diagram**

532 For details on the schema for the business documents shown in this process refer to A.10 and
533 A.11.

534 5.2.2 Get Classification Tree Request

535 An ObjectQueryManagerClient send this request to get the ClassificationNode sub-tree defined
536 in the repository under the ClassificationNode specified in the request. Note that a
537 GetClassificationTreeRequest can specify an integer attribute called *depth* to get the sub-tree
538 upto the specified depth. If depth is 1 (default) then only the immediate children of the specified
539 ClassificationItemRef are returned. If depth is 0 then the entire sub-tree is retrieved.

540

541 It is expressed in UML notation as described in section 3.1.



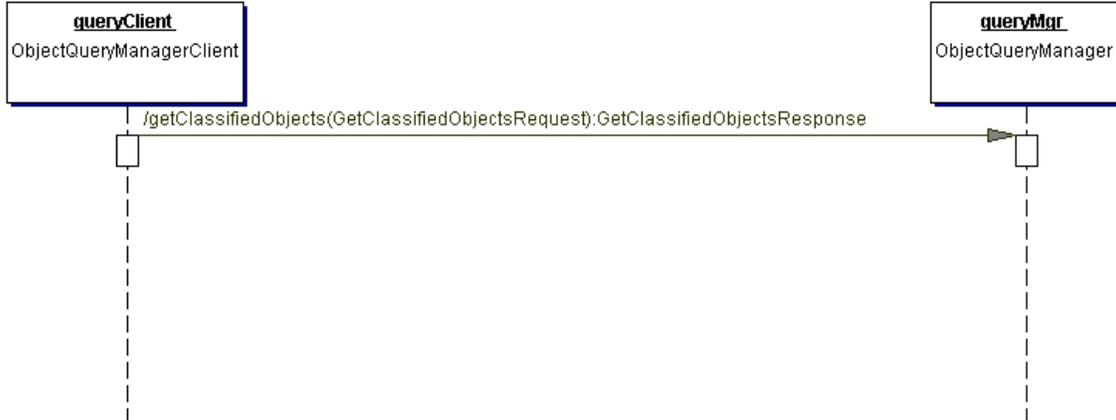
542

543 **Figure 9: Get Classification Tree Sequence Diagram**

544 For details on the schema for the business documents shown in this process refer to A.12 and
 545 A.13.

546 **5.2.3 Get Classified Objects Request**

547 An ObjectQueryManagerClient send this request to get a list of references to managed objects
 548 defined in the repository that are classified by the specified ClassificationNodes in the
 549 ManagedObjectRefList in the request. Note that it is possible to get managed objects based on
 550 matches with multiple classifications. It is expressed in UML notation as described in section 3.1.



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552 **Figure 10: Get Classified Objects Sequence Diagram**

553 For details on the schema for the business documents shown in this process refer to A.14 and
 554 A.15.

555 **5.3 Ad Hoc Query Support**

556 Details will be specified post Tokyo.



557 **5.4 Keyword Search Based Query Support**

558 The Registry provides a search engine functionality to search for managed objects that contain
559 specified keywords in their content or attributes. Details will be specified post Tokyo.

560 **5.5 Object Retrieval**

561 The response messages that is returned by ObjectQueryManager contain zero or more
562 ManagedObjectRef elements, one for each object that matched the query. Each
563 ManagedObjectRef element contains a URI for the object matching the query in the repository.
564 The client can use the URI to retrieve the object. Note that security issues will be addressed by
565 ebXML TRP security mechanisms that are outside the scope of this document.

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580 **2 Acknowledgments**

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582 members of the various ebXML working groups who have contributed ideas and suggestions for
583 this proposal.



584 **Appendix A Schemas and DTD Definitions**

585 The following are definitions for the various ebXML Message payloads described in this
586 document.

587 [Note] The DTDs for messages should be considered as
588 works-in-progress. They are open to change
589 based on collaboration with and input from the
590 team and various other working groups.

591 [Note] Several DTDs use a common boiler plate DTD
592 ManagedObject.dtd that must be read in order to
593 understand the main DTD. This common DTD is
594 defined in Appendix AA.3



595 **A.1 RequestAcceptedResponse Message DTD**

```
596 <!ELEMENT RequestAcceptedResponse EMPTY>
597 <!ATTLIST RequestAcceptedResponse xml:lang NMTOKEN #REQUIRED
598         interfaced CDATA #REQUIRED
599         requestMessage CDATA #REQUIRED
600         actionId CDATA #REQUIRED >
601 <!ENTITY % interfaced "">
```

602 **A.2 ebXMLError Message DTD**

```
603 <!ELEMENT ebXMLError (ErrorHeader , ErrorLocation* )>
604 <!ATTLIST ebXMLError xml:lang NMTOKEN #REQUIRED >
605 <!ELEMENT ErrorHeader (Severity , ErrorCode , ErrorDesc? , MinRetrySecs? )>
606 <!ATTLIST ErrorHeader ID NMTOKEN #REQUIRED >
607 <!ELEMENT Severity (#PCDATA )>
608
609 <!-- Either Warning, TransientError or HardError -->
610 <!ELEMENT ErrorCode (#PCDATA )>
611
612 <!-- string max 14 char -->
613 <!ELEMENT ErrorDesc (#PCDATA )>
614
615 <!-- string max 256 (?) char -->
616 <!ELEMENT MinRetrySecs (#PCDATA )>
617
618 <!-- An integer -->
619 <!ELEMENT SwVendorErrorRef (#PCDATA )>
620
621 <!-- string max 256 (?) chars -->
622 <!ELEMENT ErrorLocation (RefToMessageId? , (Href | XMLDocumentErrorLocn ) )>
623 <!ATTLIST ErrorLocation ID NMTOKEN #REQUIRED >
624 <!ELEMENT RefToMessageId (#PCDATA )>
625
626 <!ELEMENT Href (#PCDATA )>
627
628 <!ELEMENT XMLDocumentErrorLocn (DocumentId , Xpath )>
629
630 <!ELEMENT DocumentId (#PCDATA )>
631
632 <!ELEMENT Xpath (#PCDATA )>
```

633



634 A.3 ManagedObject DTD

```
635 <!ENTITY % ebXMLError SYSTEM "ebXMLError.dtd">
636
637 <!-- Pulls in the module at this spot in my DTD: -->
638 %ebXMLError;
639
640 <!ELEMENT ManagedObject EMPTY>
641
642 <!--
643 The following are standard document attributes that provide meta-data
644 about the document. These are based on the ebXML Repository Information Model
645 specification:
646 -->
647 <!ATTLIST ManagedObject guid          CDATA #REQUIRED>
648
649 <!ATTLIST ManagedObject uri           CDATA #REQUIRED>
650
651 <!ATTLIST ManagedObject type          (UserDefined |
652                                     Schema |
653                                     Process |
654                                     PartyProfile |
655                                     ServiceInterface |
656                                     BusinessService |
657                                     Role |
658                                     Transport |
659                                     Association |
660                                     ClassificationNode |
661                                     Classification ) #REQUIRED>
662
663 <!ATTLIST ManagedObject name          CDATA #REQUIRED>
664
665 <!ATTLIST ManagedObject description  CDATA #IMPLIED>
666
667 <!ATTLIST ManagedObject mimeType     CDATA #IMPLIED>
668
669 <!ATTLIST ManagedObject majorVersion CDATA "0">
670
671 <!ATTLIST ManagedObject minorVersion CDATA "1">
672
673 <!ATTLIST ManagedObject registryStatus (Submitted | Approved | Deployed | Deprecated )
674 "Submitted">
675
676 <!ELEMENT ManagedObjectRef EMPTY>
677 <!ATTLIST ManagedObjectRef guid CDATA #REQUIRED
678                               uri CDATA #IMPLIED
679                               name CDATA #IMPLIED >
680 <!ELEMENT ManagedObjectRefList (ManagedObjectRef )*>
681
682 <!ELEMENT ExternalObject EMPTY>
683 <!ATTLIST ExternalObject guid CDATA #REQUIRED
684                               uri CDATA #IMPLIED
685                               description CDATA #IMPLIED >
686 <!ELEMENT ExternalObjectList (ExternalObject )*>
```



687
688 <!--
689 A Classification specifies references to two previously submitted
690 managed objects.
691
692 The first ManagedObjectRef is ref to a ManagedObject being classified
693 The second ManagedObjectRef is a ref to ClassificationNode
694
695 The first ManagedObjectRef is optional when Classification is defined part of
696 a SubmittedObject.
697 -->
698 <!ELEMENT Classification (ManagedObjectRef? , ManagedObjectRef)>
699
700 <!ELEMENT ClassificationList (Classification)*>
701
702 <!--
703 A Classification specifies references to two previously submitted
704 managed objects.
705
706 The first ManagedObjectRef is ref to the "from" ManagedObject in association
707 The first ManagedObjectRef is ref to the "to" ManagedObject in association
708
709 The first ManagedObjectRef is optional when Classification is defined part of
710 a SubmittedObject.
711 -->
712 <!ELEMENT Association (ManagedObjectRef? , ManagedObjectRef)>
713 <!ATTLIST Association fromLabel CDATA #IMPLIED
714 toLabel CDATA #IMPLIED
715 type CDATA #IMPLIED
716 bidirection CDATA #IMPLIED >
717 <!ELEMENT AssociationList (Association)*>
718
719

720 **A.4 RegisterPartyRequest Message DTD**

721 The RegisterPartyRequest Message includes a Party Profile specified by a TPA element, which
722 conforms to the DTD specified for TPA SPECIFICATION in [7].



```
723 <!-- Pulls in the module at this spot in my DTD: -->
724 <!ENTITY % managedObject SYSTEM "ManagedObject.dtd">
725
726 %managedObject;
727
728 <!ENTITY % tpa SYSTEM "tpa_1_0_6.dtd">
729
730 %tpa;
731
732 <!--
733 The Organization element needs to be defined by CC team.
734 For now this is a place holder.
735 -->
736 <!ELEMENT Organization EMPTY>
737
738 <!--
739 The party must be associated with an Organization. The Organization
740 may be defined in the request or may refer to a previously defined
741 Organization referred to by ManagedObjectRef.
742
743 The party must provide a PartyProfile which currently is represented
744 by a TPA. TP team needs to define PartyProfile post Tokyo.
745 -->
746 <!ELEMENT RegisterPartyRequest ( (Organization | ManagedObjectRef ) , TPA )>
```

747 **A.5 SubmitObjectsRequest Message DTD**

```
748 <!ENTITY % managedObject SYSTEM "ManagedObject.dtd">
749
750 <!-- Pulls in the module at this spot in my DTD: -->
751 %managedObject;
752
753 <!--
754 The ManagedObjectRef must be a ref to a previously registered Party
755 which is the Submitting party
756
757 The SubmittedObject provides meta data for submitted object
758
759 Note object being submitted is in a separate document that is not
760 in this DTD.
761 -->
762 <!ELEMENT SubmitObjectsRequest (ManagedObjectRef , SubmittedObject+ )>
763
764 <!--
765 The ManagedObject provides meta data about the object being submitted
766
767 ClassificationList can be optionally be specified to define Classifications
768 for the SubmittedObject
769
770 AssociationList can be optionally be specified to define Associations
771 for the SubmittedObject
772
773 The ExternalObjectList provides zero or more external objects related to
```



```
774 the object being submitted.
775
776 -->
777 <!ELEMENT SubmittedObject (ManagedObject , ClassificationList?,
778 AssociationList?, ExternalObjectList? )>
```

779 **A.6 ApproveObjectsRequest Message DTD**

```
780 <!ENTITY % managedObject SYSTEM "ManagedObject.dtd">
781
782 <!-- Pulls in the module at this spot in my DTD: -->
783 %managedObject;
784
785 <!--
786 The ManagedObjectRef is to a previously registered Party
787 which is the approving party.
788
789 The ManagedObjectRefList is the list of
790 refs to the managed objects being approved.
791 -->
792
793 <!ELEMENT ApproveObjectsRequest (ManagedObjectRef , ManagedObjectRefList )>
```

794 **A.7 DeprecateObjectsRequest Message DTD**

```
795 <!ENTITY % managedObject SYSTEM "ManagedObject.dtd">
796
797 <!-- Pulls in the module at this spot in my DTD: -->
798 %managedObject;
799
800 <!--
801 The ManagedObjectRef is to a previously registered Party
802 which is the deprecating party.
803
804 The ManagedObjectRefList is the list of
805 refs to the managed objects being deprecated.
806 -->
807 <!ELEMENT DeprecateObjectsRequest (ManagedObjectRef , ManagedObjectRefList )>
```

808 **A.8 RemoveObjectsRequest Message DTD**

```
809 <!ENTITY % managedObject SYSTEM "ManagedObject.dtd">
810
811 <!-- Pulls in the module at this spot in my DTD: -->
812 %managedObject;
813
814 <!--
815 The ManagedObjectRef is to a previously registered Party
816 which is the removing party.
817
818 The ManagedObjectRefList is the list of
819 refs to the managed objects being removed
```



820

-->

821

<!ELEMENT RemoveObjectsRequest (ManagedObjectRef , ManagedObjectRefList)>

822

A.9 ClassificationNode DTD

823

This DTD is used to submit ClassificationNodes. It is capable of submitting a single node or an

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entire sub-tree.



```
825 <!ENTITY % managedObject SYSTEM "ManagedObject.dtd">
826
827 <!-- Pulls in the module at this spot in my DTD: -->
828 %managedObject;
829
830 <!--
831 ClassificationNode is used to submit a Classification tree to the Registry.
832 Note that this is a recursive schema definition.
833 The parent attribute of a node in tree is implied by the enclosing ClassificationNode
834 The children nodes of a node are implied by enclosing immediate child elements
835 of type ClassificationNode.
836 -->
837 <!ELEMENT ClassificationNode (ClassificationNode* )>
838
839 <!--
840 The name of the ClassificationNode. Maps to the name attribute
841 of the ManagedObject meta data class.
842 -->
843 <!ATTLIST ClassificationNode name CDATA #REQUIRED>
844
845 <!--
846 ClassificationNodeRef is used by the ObjectQueryManager
847 for various query responses. It represents a tree of
848 ClassificationNodeRef.
849 -->
850 <!ELEMENT ClassificationNodeRef (ManagedObjectRef , ClassificationNodeRef* )>
851
852 <!--
853 ClassificationNodeRefList is used to send a list of
854 ClassificationNodeRef when returning immediate children nodes
855 of a node.
856 -->
857 <!ELEMENT ClassificationNodeRefList (ClassificationNodeRef )*>
```

858 **A.10 GetRootClassificationNodesRequest Message DTD**

```
859 <!ENTITY % classificationNode SYSTEM "ClassificationNode.dtd">
860
861 %classificationNode;
862
863 <!--
864 The query request that gets the specified root ClassificationNodes
865 -->
866 <!ELEMENT GetRootClassificationNodesRequest EMPTY>
867
868 <!--
869 The namePattern follows SQL-92 syntax for the pattern specified in
870 LIKE clause. It allows for selecting only those root nodes that match
871 the namePattern. The default value of '*' matches all root nodes.
872 -->
873 <!ATTLIST GetRootClassificationNodesRequest namePattern CDATA '*' >
```



874 **A.11 GetRootClassificationNodesResponse Message DTD**

```
875 <!ENTITY % classificationNode SYSTEM "ClassificationNode.dtd">
876
877 %classificationNode;
878
879 <!--
880 The response includes a ManagedObjectRefList which has zero or more
881 references to ManagedObjects that represent ClassificationSchemeRefs
882 -->
883 <!ELEMENT GetRootClassificationNodesResponse (ManagedObjectRefList | ebXMLERror )>
```

884 **A.12 GetClassificationTreeRequest Message DTD**

```
885 <!ENTITY % classificationNode SYSTEM "ClassificationNode.dtd">
886
887 %classificationNode;
888
889 <!--
890 Get the ClassificationItemTreeRef under the ClassificationItemRef specified
891 by ManagedObjectRef.
892 -->
893 <!ELEMENT GetClassificationTreeRequest (ManagedObjectRef )>
894
895 <!--
896 If depth is 1 just fetch immediate child
897 nodes, otherwise fetch the descendant tree upto specified depth level.
898 If depth is 0 that implies fetch entire sub-tree
899 -->
900 <!ATTLIST GetClassificationTreeRequest depth CDATA '1' >
```

901 **A.13 GetClassificationTreeResponse Message DTD**

```
902 <!ENTITY % classificationNode SYSTEM "ClassificationNode.dtd">
903
904 %classificationNode;
905
906 <!--
907 The response includes a ClassificationNodeRefList which includes only
908 immediate ClassificationNodeRef children nodes if depth attribute in
909 GetClassificationTreeRequest was 1, otherwise the decendent nodes
910 upto specifed depth level are returned.
911 -->
912 <!ELEMENT GetClassificationTreeResponse (ClassificationNodeRefList | ebXMLERror )>
```

913 **A.14 GetClassifiedObjectsRequest Message DTD**

```
914 <!ENTITY % classificationNode SYSTEM "ClassificationNode.dtd">
915
916 %classificationNode;
917
918 <!--
919 Get refs to all managed objects that are classified by all the
920 ClassificationNodeRef specified by ManagedObjectRefList.
```



```
921
922 Note this is an implicit logical AND operation
923 -->
924 <!ELEMENT GetClassifiedObjectsRequest (ManagedObjectRefList )>
925
926 <!--
927 objectType attribute can specify the type of objects that the registry
928 client is interested in, that is classified by this ClassificationNode.
929 It is a String that matches a choice in the type attribute of ManagedObject.
930 The default value of '*' implies that client is interested in all types
931 of managed objects that are classified by the specified ClassificationNode.
932 -->
933 <!ATTLIST GetClassifiedObjectsRequest objectType CDATA "*">
```

934 **A.15 GetClassifiedObjectsResponse Message DTD**

```
935 <!ENTITY % classificationNode SYSTEM "ClassificationNode.dtd">
936
937 %classificationNode;
938
939 <!--
940 The response includes a ManagedObjectRefList which has zero or more
941 references to ManagedObjects that are classified by the ClassificationNodeRef
942 specified in the GetClassifiedObjectsRequest.
943 -->
944 <!ELEMENT GetClassifiedObjectsResponse (ManagedObjectRefList | ebXMLError )>
```

945 **Appendix B TPA Between Registry Client And Registry**

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947 **Appendix C Example XML for Submitting a** 948 **Classification Tree**

949 The following XML message submits the classification tree for the classification tree example in
950 [3].

```
951
952 <?xml version = "1.0"?>
953 <!DOCTYPE ClassificationNode SYSTEM "ClassificationNode.dtd">
954
955 <!--
956 This is a sample XML that is used to submit a Classification tree to the Registry.
957 Note that this is a recursive schema definition.
958 The parent attribute of a node in tree is implied by the enclosing ClassificationNode
959 The children nodes of a node are implied by enclosing immediate child elements
960 of type ClassificationNode.
961 -->
962 <ClassificationNode name = "Industry">
963   <ClassificationNode name = "Automotive">
964     <ClassificationNode name = "Geography">
965       <ClassificationNode name = "US"/>
966       <ClassificationNode name = "Europe"/>
```



```

967     </ClassificationNode>
968     </ClassificationNode>
969     <ClassificationNode name = "Health Care"/>
970     <ClassificationNode name = "Retail"/>
971 /ClassificationNode>

```

972 **Appendix D Terminology Mapping**

973 While every attempt has been made to use the same terminology used in previous works there
 974 are some terminology differences.

975 The following table shows the terminology mapping between this specification and that used in
 976 other specifications and working groups.

This Document	OASIS	ISO 11179
"managed object"	Registered Object	
ManagedObject	Registry Item	Administered Component
ExternalObject	Related Data	N/A
Object.guid	RaitemId	
Object.uri	ObjectLocation	
ManagedObject.type	DefnSource, PrimaryClass, SubClass	
Object.name	CommonName	
ManagedObject.description	Description	
ManagedObject.mimeType	MimeType	
ManagedObject.majorVersion	partially to Version	
ManagedObject.minorVersion	partially to Version	
ManagedObject.registryStatus	RegStatus	

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Table 1: Terminology Mapping Table

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980 **Appendix E Open Issues**

981 The following are some open issues that will be evaluated based on further investigation and
 982 within the context of broader team discussions:

- 983 o Do we need the ObjectQueryManagerClient interface? It is currently an empty place-holder
 984 because all query manager interactions are synchronous. Reason to keep it is to allow for
 985 future support of asynchronous responses. Should we close this issue?
- 986 o Should Library Control Service be broken out into a separate service from the Object
 987 Manager (SH). . This is a post Tokyo issue.



- 988 o Add more comprehensive and common error and warning messages throughout. Consider
989 adding error responses such as "Not Authenticated," and "Registry Not Available," etc. Align
990 these messages with Technical Architecture WG. This is a post Tokyo issue.
- 991 o Why are we requiring that an "Authorization Mechanism" be accomplished as a separate
992 (internet-based) external call? (SH) Why can't this approval process be modeled as an
993 Internal Implementation detail?
- 994 o When someone tries to request a deprecated object, they should be notified that the object
995 has been deprecated. (LG) "SO" can deprecate objects but where is the Notification
996 processing related to others who will attempt to associate with those deprecate objects? This
997 is a post Tokyo issue.
- 998 o When an object is deprecated and/or then removed, what do we maintain within the
999 Registry/Repository? (LG) When an object is removed, the Meta Data for the object should
1000 be retained and marked as "Removed." Farrukh's opinion is that this is exactly what
1001 Deprecation was designed to do. It is essentially a way to mark an object as logically deleted
1002 so future use (references) are prevented while existing uses would still work. Should we
1003 close this issue?
- 1004 o Remove the requirement that RS must be accessible over ebXML Messaging Service (SH)
- 1005 o Inconsistency noted by DW that objects retrieval is not done over ebXML Messaging Service
1006 while all other interactions are. This is a post Tokyo issue.