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Gavel Chicago: Intermediary Connecting Service certification

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This certification is modeled on the sample intermediary connecting service certification letter referenced in Comment [8] to Rule 7.2. Questions: hello@gavelchicago.com.

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