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#### **Abstract:**

There are two specifications produced by the Web Services Distributed Management technical committee: Management Using Web services (MUWS) and Management Of Web services (MOWS, see [MOWS]). This document is part of MUWS.

MUWS defines how an Information Technology resource connected to a network provides manageability interfaces such that the IT resource can be managed locally and from remote locations using Web services technologies.

MUWS is composed of two parts. This document is MUWS part 1 and provides the fundamental concepts for management using Web services. MUWS part 2 [MUWS Part 2] provides specific messaging formats used to enable the interoperability of MUWS implementations. MUWS part 2 depends on MUWS part 1, while part 1 is independent from part 2.

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## 1 Introduction

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- 81 **Management Using Web Services (MUWS)** enables management of distributed information
- 82 technology (IT) resources using Web services. Many distributed IT resources use different
- 83 management interfaces. By leveraging Web service technology, MUWS enables easier and more
- 84 efficient management of IT resources. This is accomplished by providing a flexible, common
- framework for manageability interfaces that leverage key features of Web services protocols.
- Universal management and interoperability across the many and various types of distributed IT
- resources can be achieved using MUWS.
- The types of management capabilities exposed by MUWS are the management capabilities generally expected in systems that manage distributed IT resources. Examples of manageability functions that can be performed via MUWS include:
  - monitoring the quality of a service
  - enforcing a service level agreement
- controlling a task
  - managing a resource lifecycle
- MUWS is designed to meet the requirements defined in the MUWS Requirements document [MUWS REQS]. Whenever possible, MUWS leverages existing Web services specifications to ensure interoperability, adoptability, and extensibility.
- There is a basic set of manageability capabilities defined in this specification. The only capability required by MUWS is the *Identity* capability defined in section 5.1.
- To understand the various topics discussed in this specification, the reader should be familiar with IT management concepts. In addition, the following assumptions are made:
  - The reader is familiar with the Web Services Architecture [WSA].
    - The reader is familiar with XML [XML 1.0 3<sup>rd</sup> Edition], XML Schema[XML Schema Part 1] [XML Schema Part 2], and XML Namespace [XNS].
      - The reader is familiar with WSDL [WSDL], SOAP [SOAP] and WS-Addressing [WS-Addressing].
      - The reader is familiar with WS SOAP Message Security [WSS].
- 108 The text of this specification, along with Appendix C and Appendix D, is normative with the
- 109 following exception: the abstract, examples, UML diagrams and any section explicitly marked as
- 110 non-normative.

# 1.1 Terminology

- 112 The key words "MUST", "MUST NOT", "REQUIRED", "SHALL", "SHALL NOT", "SHOULD",
- 113 "SHOULD NOT", "RECOMMENDED", "MAY", and "OPTIONAL" in this document are to be
- interpreted as described in RFC 2119 [RFC2119].
- 115 Furthermore, this specification defines and uses the following terms:
- 116 Web service endpoint an entity providing a destination for Web service messages. A Web
- service endpoint has an address (URI) and is described by the content of a WSDL 1.1 port
- element. This definition is consistent with the definition provided in the WS-Addressing
- 119 specification [WS-Addressing].
- 120 Web service interface a group of operations described by the content of a WSDL 1.1 portType
- 121 element. These operations can provide access to resource properties and metadata.
- 122 **Resource** –a logical or physical component of some subject domain, for example, a printer, a
- magnetic storage disk, an application server, a CRM application or a car engine.

- 124 *Manageable resource* a resource capable of supporting one or more standard manageability
- 125 capabilities.
- 126 Capability –a group of properties, operations, events and metadata, associated with identifiable
- semantics and information and exhibiting specific behaviors.
- 128 *Manageability* the ability to manage a resource, or the ability of a resource to be managed.
- 129 *Manageability capability* a capability associated with one or more management domains.
- 130 **Standard manageability capability** a manageability capability that is defined by this
- 131 specification.
- 132 **Manageability interface** the composition of one or more manageability capability interfaces.
- 133 *Manageability capability interface* –a Web service interface representing one manageability
- 134 capability.

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- 135 Manageability consumer –a user of manageability capabilities associated with one or more
- 136 manageable resources.
- 137 Manageability endpoint –a Web service endpoint associated with and providing access to a
- 138 manageable resource.
- 139 *Management domain* an area of knowledge relative to providing control over, and information
- about, the behavior, health, lifecycle, etc. of manageable resources.

#### 1.2 Notational conventions

- This specification uses an informal syntax to describe the XML grammar of the information used
- in defining the management capability interfaces. This syntax uses the following rules:
  - § The syntax appears as an XML instance, but data types appear instead of values.
  - § {any} is a placeholder for elements from some other namespace (like ##other in the XML Schema).
  - § The Cardinality of an attribute, element, or {any}, is indicated by appending characters to the item as follows:
    - ? none, or one
      - \* none, or more
- + one, or more
- no character exactly one
  - § Items contained within the square brackets, [ and ], are treated as a group.
    - § Items separated by | and grouped within parentheses, ( and ), indicate syntactic alternatives.
    - § An ellipsis, or three consecutive periods, ..., are used in XML start elements to indicate that attributes from some other namespace are allowed.
    - § The XML namespace prefixes, defined in section 4, indicate the namespace of an attribute or an element.
  - A full XML Schema description of the XML information is available in Appendix C of this specification.
- When describing an instance of XML information, and in order to refer to an element or an attribute, this specification uses a simplified Xpath-like notation that is formally defined as follows:

169	Path = '/'? (	(['@'? (NCName	QName   '*')]   ['(' (NCName   QName   '*'] ')') ['/' Path]?
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171	where:		
172 173 174	§	Schema [XMLS].	ML non-qualified name as defined by the XML In this case, the namespace is assumed to default e of this specification.
175 176	§	QName is an XML qualified name as defines by the XML Schema [XMLS].	
177	§	Symbol * denotes any name match.	
178 179	§	•	s a path delimiter. When it appears as the first at a path, it denotes the root of the XML document.
180 181	§	Symbol @ denotes a reference to an XML attribute. If absent then an NCName, QName or * refer to an XML element.	
182	§	Symbols (and)	denote a reference to an XML Schema type.
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184	For example:		
185 186			refers to an attribute, A1, of an element, E2, contained in element E1, which is a root of the XML document.
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188 189 190 191	E1/ns1:E2/E3		refers to an element, E3, which is contained in element E2 which is contained in element E1, anywhere in the XML document. In this case element E2 belongs to the namespace mapped to the prefix ns1.
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193 194 195 196	(ns2:T1)/E1	1/ns1:E2/@A1	refers to an attribute, A1, on an element, E2, contained in element E1, as declared in the XML Schema type T1. In this case, the target namespace, T1, is mapped to the prefix ns2.

# 2 Architecture

This WSDM specification (MUWS) defines how the ability to manage, or, how the *manageability* of, an arbitrary resource can be made accessible via *Web services*. In order to achieve this goal, MUWS is based on a number of Web services specifications, mainly for messaging, description, discovery, accessing properties, and notifications (section 3). Some of these Web services specifications are first presented in [MUWS Part 2].

The basic concepts of management using Web services can be illustrated by the following figure:

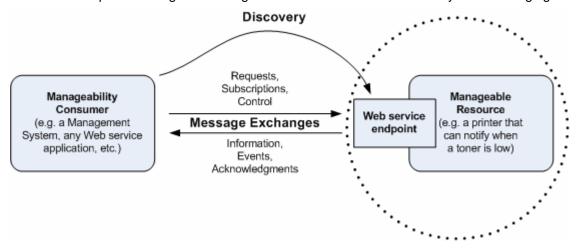


Figure 1: WSDM Concepts

A Web service *endpoint* provides access to a *manageable resource*. An example of a manageable resource is a printer that indicates when its toner is low, or, a magnetic storage disk that reports its internal temperature,

A *manageability consumer* discovers the Web service endpoint and *exchanges messages* with the endpoint in order to request information, subscribe to events, or, control the manageable resource associated with the endpoint. An example of a manageability consumer is a management system, or, a business automation process, or simply, any Web service application.

In order to discover the Web service endpoint providing access to a particular manageable resource, a manageability consumer first obtains an Endpoint Reference (EPR), as defined by the WS-Addressing specification [WS-Addressing], and then obtains any other required descriptions, including, but not limited to, a WSDL document [WSDL], an XML Schema, or a policy document. MUWS uses the same mechanisms, for obtaining EPRs and their associated descriptions, as

used by regular Web service implementations, and their applications.

A Web service endpoint providing access to some manageable resource is called a *manageability endpoint*.

To exchange messages with a manageability endpoint, a manageability consumer needs to understand all of the required descriptions for the endpoint. The manageability consumer sends messages targeted to the manageable resource by using information contained in the EPR, for example, an address and some reference properties (see [WS-Addressing]).

#### 2.1 Focus on Resources

The WSDM specification focuses upon how access is provided to manageable resources. Essentially, there exists a contract between a manageability consumer and a manageable resource with respect to the ability of the consumer to understand what messages can be exchanged between the consumer and the resource. Therefore, the central element and focal

point of the WSDM architecture is the manageable resource. The message patterns encapsulate access to resources into manageable resources instead of exposing message patterns to indirectly access the resource through agents, proxies, observers, etc.

#### 2.1.1 Capabilities for Management

Manageability is one possible aspect of a resource. For example, a printer can (obviously!) print. Printing is the functional/operational aspect of the printer. However, the same printer may be able to indicate if it is on-line, or, if the toner has run out. Such indications compose manageability capabilities of the printer. A manageable resource may support some number of capabilities. Each capability has distinct semantics, for example, an ability to describe relationships among resources or an ability to indicate if the resource is on-line or off-line. An implementation of a manageable resource provides a set of manageability capabilities via Web service endpoints.

In WSDM terms, a manageability capability

§ is uniquely identified.

- § has defined semantics (such as those provided by any section in this specification that describes a new capability),
- § is associated with a set of properties, operations, events (notifications) and metadata (including policies).

Each manageability capability defined in the WSDM specifications is extensible. New capabilities can be similarly defined, based on a particular resource manageability model, for example, DMTF CIM. MUWS provides mechanisms, patterns, and refinements, for defining new manageability capabilities and for discovering, identifying and using capabilities of a manageable resource.

#### 2.1.2 Isolation from Implementation

The WSDM architecture focuses upon the manageable resource. This approach does not restrict choices of an implementation strategy. Moreover, WSDM isolates the manageability consumer from implementation specific aspects of a manageable resource or Web service endpoint. For example, a direct-to-resource, agent-less approach, or, an approach using management agents are equally valid implementations. Such implementation details are transparent to manageability consumers. Figure 2 illustrates this point:

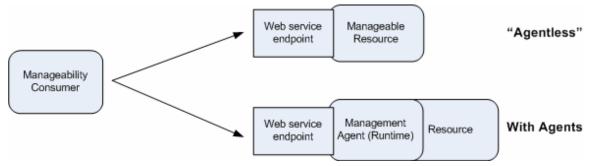


Figure 2: Isolation from Implementation

# 2.2 Composability

Composability allows a manageable resource's implementation to support a non conflicting mix of some number of capabilities as well as features provided by the Web services platform. Parts of the composition incrementally enrich the implementation without incurring disruptions. For example, a SOAP message sent to a Web service endpoint may result in an order being placed. A similar SOAP message with WS-Security headers, signed and encrypted, may result in an order being placed in a secure manner. The mix of the order placement, plus the security implemented by a Web service endpoint, leveraged message-level composability. In other words,

the SOAP message is composed of an order placement request, plus the appropriate security headers, encryption and digital signatures.

The implementer of a manageable resource may create an appropriate composition of aspects and capabilities offered to a manageability consumer via one or more Web service endpoints. Within the context of WSDM, there are two kinds of composition that can manifest in an implementation of a manageable resource, as follows:

- Composition of aspects of a Web services implementation for example, messaging, description, discovery, security, asynchronous notifications, etc. These implementation aspects are provided by the Web services platform and the respective standards specifications (see section 3).
- 2. **Composition of manageability capabilities**, which may be classified into one of two categories, as follows:
  - a. Composition of common manageability capabilities for example, the ability to identify manageable resources, the ability to report and notify on a change of resource availability, or, the ability to report on how resources are related to each other. Such common manageability capabilities are defined in this specification in section 4 and in [MUWS Part 2]. Essentially these are base-line enablers of a richer set of resource manageability. This is similar to how SOAP and HTTP may be considered baseline enablers of Web services.
  - b. Composition of resource-specific manageability capabilities for example, an ability to manage printers, or, an ability to manage network-connected devices. Other specifications define these manageability capabilities based on the available resource management model, (e.g. DMTF CIM), based on the needs of the management applications, based on the abilities of the resource (e.g. WSDM MOWS), or based on the needs of the management application.

The whole composition as implemented by a manageable resource is then accessible via a Web service endpoint. This is illustrated in Figure 3.

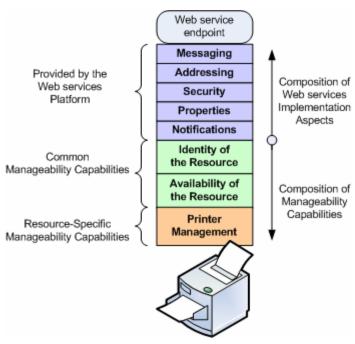


Figure 3: Composability

#### 2.2.1 Low-end to High-end Manageability

The WSDM architecture provides appropriate coverage from low-end manageability of small devices like mobile phones, to high-end manageability of very capable components like application servers and business processes. This range of coverage is achieved by the low barrier to entry placed upon a WSDM implementation: there are few normative requirements made by this specification and the specifications it depends on. Also, composability allows for additional manageability capabilities to be gradually introduced, based upon the availability of management functions and processing power within an implementation of a manageable resource. Manageability consumers can discover and make use of composed capabilities as these capabilities become available. This flexibility is built into the foundation of the WSDM architecture (Figure 4).

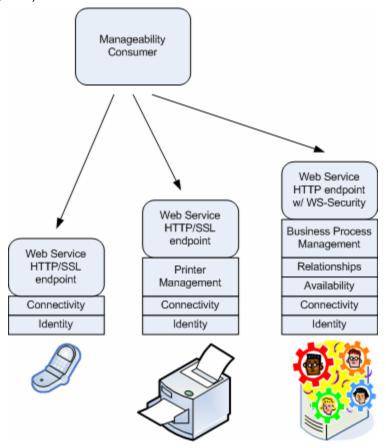


Figure 4: Low-end to High-end Manageability

# 2.3 Formal Representation of the Architecture

The following UML 2.0 model captures the WSDM MUWS concepts within the context of the WSDL 1.1 [WSDL] and WS-Addressing [WS-Addressing] specifications. Figure 5 provides a "mind map", or digest of the concepts described within the WSDM Architecture.

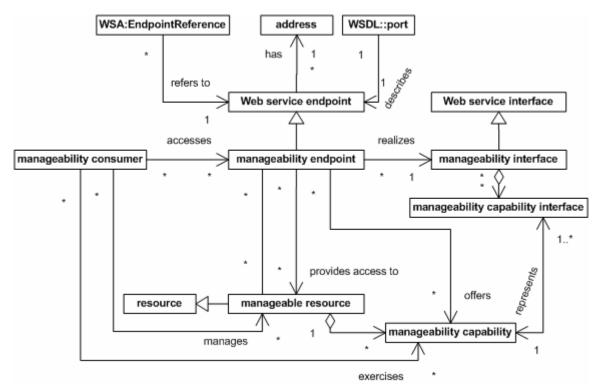


Figure 5: Formal expression of the WSDM architecture concepts

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# 3 Usage of the Web Services Platform

- 320 As described in section 2, the foundation for MUWS is provided by the Web services platform. A
- 321 number of Web services specifications may be composed with the WSDM specifications when
- 322 implementing a manageability endpoint for a manageable resource. This and dependent
- 323 specifications are used to represent different aspects of a capability: the properties, the
- 324 operations, metadata, and events. [MUWS Part 2] introduces additional Web services
- 325 specifications to define an interoperable way to represent these capability aspects.

#### 3.1 Properties

- 327 MUWS uses XML Schema ([XML Schema Part 1], [XML Schema Part 2]) to describe properties.
- 328 A MUWS property is represented by a Global Element Declaration (GED). In order to create a
- 329 property one MUST provide:
- the schema for the property,
- a description (in some form) of the semantics of the property,
- the cardinality of the property.
- any relevant metadata for the property.
- A manageable resource MUST expose an XML document containing, as top-level elements, all
- the properties of the manageable resource. This document is called the resource properties
- 336 document for the resource.

## 3.2 Operations

- 338 MUWS uses [WSDL] to describe operations. The "operations" component of a capability
- corresponds to an operation, as defined by WSDL. In order to create an operation one MUST
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- a WSDL portType containing a WSDL operation corresponding to the operation,
- a description (in some form) of the semantics of the operation,
- any relevant metadata for the operation.

#### 344 **3.3 Events**

- 345 Event types (as opposed to instances of event messages) are defined in MUWS by providing the
- 346 combination of a "topic" QName and a "message content" Global Element Declaration. The
- 347 "topic" QName need not be the QName of the "message content" element. A "topic" or a
- 348 "message content" element need not be exclusive to one event. However, the combination of a
- 349 "topic" and a "message content" element MUST uniquely identify an event. The "message
- 350 content" element represents information that is transmitted as part of a notification message and
- 351 corresponds to an event instance. The "topic" provides information about why the event was
- generated. In order to create a new event, one MUST provide:
  - the corresponding "topic" and "message content" element.
- a description (in some form) of the semantics for the "topic" and "message content" element.
- any relevant metadata for the event.
- A manageability endpoint SHOULD offer one or more events that correspond to a change in the properties it supports.

#### 359 3.4 Metadata

- 360 MUWS allows definition of metadata on properties and operations. One such metadata item on
- 361 properties is whether it is *Mutable*. Mutability is defined as an indication of whether the value of a
- property can change over time. Another metadata item on a property is whether it is *Modifiable*.
- 363 Modifiability is defined as an indication of whether the value of a property can be set explicitly, as
- opposed to can not be set at all, or, can be set only as a side-effect of setting some other
- 365 property. Finally, a Capability is a metadata item that can be attached to a property, an operation
- or an event. This metadata item contains a unique identifier for the capability. [MUWS Part 2]
- 367 describes additional metadata items.
- 368 For each property introduced in this specification, the value of these metadata items is described.
- 369 However, MUWS does not specify if, or how, the value is made available to a consumer.

#### 3.5 Addressing

- 371 MUWS makes use of the endpoint reference (EPR) construct, as defined in [WS-Addressing]. In
- addition, MUWS-compliant messages MUST comply with the rules in [WS-Addressing] regarding
- 373 the use of SOAP headers, and, regarding how the content of the EPR constrains the messages
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## 3.6 Security

When evaluating the security requirements for resource management, it is important to delineate several aspects of Security technology;

- Identification: Presentation of a claimed identity
- Authentication: Verification of proof of asserted identity
- Authorization: The information and mechanisms to allow appropriate authorized requests to resources and deny unauthorized requests.
- Message Integrity: The protection of messages in a message exchange from unauthorized modification.
- Data Integrity: The protection of data from unauthorized modification.
- Data confidentiality
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A complete security model addressing the requirements listed above needs to be provided for any management deployment. Profiles for different sets of requirements will be needed to ensure interoperable deployments.

- An explicit mapping to an authorization model at deployment time should be provided by a conformant management application.
- 392 To address security of messages, MUWS relies on generic Web services security mechanisms,
- 393 including transport-level security (e.g. HTTP over SSL), OASIS Web Services Security message-
- 394 level security [WSS], etc. The composition of appropriate security specifications and this
- 395 specification provides a model for securing the messages exchanged during management using
- 396 Web services realized by manageability endpoint implementations. The choice of concrete
- 397 security mechanisms should be carried out by the implementers of the manageability endpoints
- and may conform to some profile.
- 399 Within an enterprise MUWS can be deployed like any other specification into the existing
- 400 enterprise security model. When managing between enterprises, security will need to be
- developed in an ad hoc, pair-wise fashion at a messaging level.
- 402 This specification defines some metadata items for management. Whenever information related
- 403 to management metadata is being relied on, it is important to understand the environment in
- 404 which the metadata is being asserted. It may be needed to provide some data integrity
- 405 mechanisms to protect the information from unauthorized modification. It may also be needed to

406 407	implement a set of authorization mechanisms to provide a way of identifying under what conditions information should be shared.				

# 4 Common Information Items

#### 4.1 WSDM Event Format

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The WSDM Event Format defines an XML format to carry management event information. The format defines a set of basic, consistent data elements that allow different types of management event information to be carried in a consistent manner. The WSDM Event Format provides a basis for programmatic processing, correlation, and interpretation of events from different products, platforms, and management technologies.

The WSDM Event Format organizes management event data into three basic categories, the event reporter, the event source, and extensible, event-specific, situation data. Each category contains a few common properties, as found in most management events, and allows for extensible, event-specific data. The WSDM Event Format has a flexible and extensible syntax..

To be effective, the WSDM Event Format MUST provides the following essential information:

- the identification of the resource experiencing an event, called the source,
- the identification of the reporter of an event, known as the reporter. In most cases the source reports its own event, thus the identity of the reporter and the source are the same.
- Typically, further information is also needed to describe the semantics of an event.
- Additionally, an event MUST contain an *EventId* that is unique across event types within the source. An event may contain additional information related to the situation that has occurred or to the context within which it occurred. For example, message text, severity information or related Application Response Measurement (ARM) instrumentation information. It is RECOMMENDED that a container be used to encapsulate additional information that is significant to an event.
- The base element of the WSDM Event Format is *muws-p1-xs:ManagementEvent*, as presented in the next section.

#### 4.1.1 XML Representation of the event

The following is the XML representation of the WSDM MUWS management event container.

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      <muws-p1-xs:ManagementEvent ...</pre>
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        muws-p1-xs:ReportTime="xs:dateTime"?>
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        <muws-p1-xs:EventId>xs:anyURI/muws-p1-xs:EventId>
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        <muws-p1-xs:SourceComponent ...>
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          <muws-p1-xs:ResourceId>xs:anyURI</muws-p1-xs:ResourceId> ?
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          <muws-p1-xs:ComponentAddress>{any}/muws-p1-xs:ComponentAddress> *
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          {any}*
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        </muws-p1-xs:SourceComponent>
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        <muws-p1-xs:ReporterComponent ...>
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          <muws-p1-xs:ResourceID>xs:anyURI/muws-p1-xs:ResourceId> ?
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          <muws-p1-xs:ComponentAddress>{any}/muws-p1-xs:ComponentAddress> *
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          {any}*
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        </muws-p1-xs:ReporterComponent> ?
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        {any}*
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      </muws-p1-xs:ManagementEvent>
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- Where the clauses are described as follows:
- 453 **muws-p1-xs:ManagementEvent**: The wrapper element used for management event messages.

- 454 muws-p1-xs:ManagementEvent/@muws-p1-xs:ReportTime: The date and time when the
- event was reported. If the value does not include a time zone designation, or use 'Z' for UTC,
- 456 then the value MUST be interpreted as having a time zone of UTC. The value of *ReportTime*
- 457 MUST provide a granularity as precise as is supported by the generating platform. This attribute
- 458 is RECOMMENDED.
- 459 **muws-p1-xs:ManagementEvent/muws-p1-xs:EventId**: The primary identifier for an event. This
- 460 element MUST be unique within the scope provided by the manageability implementation for the
- 461 source resource. This element MAY be used as the primary key for the event. This element is
- 462 provided for management functions that require events to have an identifier. It is of type URI and
- 463 is REQUIRED.
- 464 **muws-p1-xs:ManagementEvent/muws-p1-xs:SourceComponent**: The identification of, or
- reference to, the source associated with an event. This element is REQUIRED.
- 466 **muws-p1-xs:ManagementEvent/muws-p1-xs:SourceComponent/ResourceId**: A specification
- of an identifier of a manageable resource associated with an event. This is an OPTIONAL
- 468 property. This property is intended as an identifier to be used, for example, in correlation, so that
- 469 management consumers can ensure that information contained in the *muws-p1-*
- 470 xs:ManagementEvent pertains to a given manageable resource. If provided, this element MUST
- 471 correspond to the *muws-p1-xs:ResourceId* property (defined in section 5.1.2) for the source
- 472 associated with an event.
- 473 muws-p1-xs:ManagementEvent/muws-p1-xs:SourceComponent/muws-p1-
- 474 xs:ComponentAddress: Contains the specific elements used to identify the address of a
- 475 component. If this element contains more than one child element, each child element represents
- an alternate address of the same source. This element is RECOMMENDED to improve
- 477 interoperability.

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- 478 muws-p1-xs:ManagementEvent/muws-p1-xs:SourceComponent/muws-p1-
- 479 xs:ComponentAddress/{any}: XML open content including any XML representation of the
- 480 component address. One commonly used address type is a Web service address, such as an
- 481 EPR as defined by [WS-Addressing]. In the case where the source is a manageable resource, it
- 482 is RECOMMENDED that the muws-p1-xs:ManageabilityEndpointReference element, as defined
- in section 4.2, be used as the address type.
- 484 muws-p1-xs:ManagementEvent/muws-p1-xs:ReporterComponent: Provides the identification
- of, or reference to, the reporter associated with an event. This is a REQUIRED property only if the
- 486 reporter is different from the source. Otherwise, this element is OPTIONAL. When this element is
- absent the reporter is asserted to be the same as the source. The content of this element is the
- 488 same as the content of the *ManagementEvent/SourceComponent* element except that the
- definitions apply to the reporter rather than the source.
- 490 **muws-p1-xs:ManagementEvent/(any)**: XML open content providing a container for additional
- data associated with an event. Among other things, this is where the "message content" Global
- 492 Element Declaration introduced in section 3.3 is inserted. MUWS Part 2 defines some additional
- 493 element that could be included using this wildcard.

# 4.2 Manageability Endpoint Reference

495 MUWS defines the following element to represent a reference to a manageability endpoint:

- 496 <muws-p1-xs:ManageabilityEndpointReference>
- 497 wsa:EndpointReferenceType
- 498 </muss-p1-xs:ManageabilityEndpointReference>

The element is an EPR as defined by [WS-Addressing]. The EPR provides a reference to a manageability endpoint.

# 5 Capabilities

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- There is a minimum set of manageability capabilities that an implementation of a manageability endpoint must support in order to comply with the MUWS specification.
- A manageability capability defines properties, operations and events to support domain-specific tasks. Details of a manageability capability are exposed by a manageable resource.
- A manageable resource MAY also define a new resource-specific manageability capability.
- A manageable resource SHOULD extend a MUWS manageability capability with a resourcespecific manageability capability that uses similar semantics. A manageable resource is not required to extend a MUWS manageability capability when a resource-specific manageability
- 510 capability uses different semantics than the set of MUWS manageability capabilities.
- In this section the following namespaces are used unless otherwise specified. The table below lists each prefix and a corresponding namespace URI.

Prefix	Namespace	
muws-p1-xs	http://docs.oasis-open.org/wsdm/2004/12/muws/wsdm-muws-part1.xsd	
pbm	http://docs.oasis-open.org/wsdm/2004/12/muws/wsdm-pbm.xsd	
xs	http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema	
wsa	http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/08/addressing	

### 5.1 Identity

- 514 The manageability capability URI for the *Identity* capability is
- 515 http://docs.oasis-open.org/wsdm/2004/12/muws/capabilities/Identity

#### 5.1.1 Definition

- The goal of the Identity capability is to establish whether two entities are the same. This is a
- 518 required capability and it MUST be provided by every manageability endpoint. Observe that this
- requirement does not preclude the manageability endpoint from applying a security policy
- 520 preventing some requesters from accessing this, or another, capability.
- In addition, this capability is used as a "marker" interface enabling a manageability consumer to learn if an endpoint is a manageability endpoint.
- Figure 6 shows the UML representation of MUWS Identity.

MUWS::Identity
ResourceId[1]

Figure 6: MUWS Identity

## 5.1.2 Properties

- The following is the specification of the property defined by the Identity capability.
- 529 <muws-p1-xs:ResourceId>xs:anyURI</muws-p1-xs:ResourceId>
- The following is an example property instance for the property defined by the Identity capability.

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</muss-p1-xs:ResourceId>

Note that *Resourceld* is an opaque identifier of a resource managed through a manageability endpoint. *Resourceld* is a read-only, mandatory property with a cardinality of 1.

536 This property has the following metadata:

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538 It is not Modifiable.

539 Its Capability is "http://docs.oasis-open.org/wsdm/2004/12/muws/capabilities/Identity".

540 The following constraints are applicable to Resourceld:

- Globally unique: A manageability endpoint MUST create the Resourceld URI in a way
  that ensures that the Resourceld is unique to the resource managed through the
  manageability endpoint and globally unique. This specification does not prescribe the
  means by which global uniqueness is achieved.
- Uniqueness in time: A Resourceld MUST NOT be reused by the implementation of a manageability endpoint for another resource, even after the original resource no longer exists.
- Consistency across endpoints: An implementation of a manageability endpoint SHOULD use a Resourceld that is suggested by the characteristics of a resource. This is possible when, for example, a Resourceld is retrievable from a resource by a manageability endpoint, or, an application of MUWS to a given domain specifies a method for building a Resourceld based upon characteristics of resources populating the domain. It is not guaranteed that different manageability endpoints associated with the same resource will, in all cases, return the same Resourceld.
- Consistency within an endpoint: An implementation that exposes several manageability endpoints for the same resource MUST report the same ResourceId at each manageability endpoint.
- Persistence: A manageability endpoint SHOULD return the same Resourceld during the
  entire lifetime of the manageability endpoint, including across power cycles of the
  manageability endpoint. Resources that are not able to persist a Resourceld across
  power cycles of a manageability endpoint SHOULD try to provide a consistent
  Resourceld via predictable identifier generation or delegation of identity assignment.
- Equality: If two reported Resourcelds are equal, then the consumer knows that the two
  manageability endpoints represent the same resource. The converse proposition is not
  necessarily true: two different Resourcelds could conceivably correspond to the same
  resource. It is strongly RECOMMENDED that this condition be avoided in a conscious
  and deliberate manner, as some managers may not be able to distinguish that two
  different reported identifiers are, in fact, associated with the same manageable resource.
  Thus, manageability consumers would be forced to treat every identifier as corresponding
  to a unique manageable resource.

Note that a manageability consumer MUST NOT assume that two manageability endpoints represent two different resources solely because the two reported *ResourceIds* are different.

Since the *Resourceld* is defined as opaque, this specification does not allow a consumer to infer any characteristic of a resource by examining a *Resourceld*, other than comparing the *Resourceld* to another *Resourceld* as one way of establishing oneness. For example, one possible way to construct a *Resourceld* and ensure its uniqueness is to use a UUID wrapped in a URI.

Note that this specification does not define equivalence of URIs and the consumer should decide which level of the comparison ladder, as defined in section 6 of [RFC2396bis], is appropriate to use for this comparison.

581	MUWS defines an additional mechanism for establishing oneness of two resources. Thi
582	mechanism, called Correlatable Properties is defined in the section 5.3.

## 5.2 Manageability Characteristics

- The manageability capability URI for the *Manageability Characteristics* capability is
- 585 http://docs.oasis-open.org/wsdm/2004/12/muws/capabilities/ManageabilityCharacteristics

#### 5.2.1 Definition

- The Manageability Characteristics capability defines properties providing information about the characteristics of a manageability endpoint implementation rather than the resource.
- 589 Figure 7 shows the UML representation of MUWS Manageability Characteristics.

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MUWS::ManageabilityCharacteristics
ManageabilityCapability[0..*]
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Figure 7: MUWS Manageability Characteristics

#### 5.2.2 Properties

The following is the specification of the property defined by the Manageability Characteristics capability.

The following are example of property instances for the property defined by the *Manageability Characteristics* capability.

- Note that **ManageabilityCapability** contains a URI identifying a manageability capability that is supported by a manageable resource. The cardinality of this property is zero to unbounded.
- This property has the following metadata:
- 610 It is not Mutable.
- 611 It is not Modifiable.
- 612 Its Capability is "http://docs.oasis-
- open.org/wsdm/2004/12/muws/capabilities/ManageabilityCharacteristics".
- A manageability interface is said to provide a capability if it supports all of the required properties,
- events, operations and metadata defined by the capability. This does not preclude the
- 616 manageability endpoint from applying a security policy preventing some requesters from
- 617 accessing this, or another, capability.
- There SHOULD be one *Manageability Capability* property instance for each manageability
- 619 capability provided by a manageability interface. For capabilities extending a base capability, both
- the extension and the base capability MUST be listed. Marking a property, operation or event as
- 621 part of a capability is considered a hint for the consumer of a manageability endpoint. The
- meaning of such a hint is defined by the capability. As a result, the Manageability Capability

property facilitates discovery and introspection by providing a hint to the manageability consumer about what requests can be sent to the manageability endpoint.

#### 5.3 Correlatable Properties

The manageability capability URI for the *Correlatable Properties* capability is http://docs.oasis-open.org/wsdm/2004/12/muws/capabilities/CorrelatableProperties

#### 5.3.1 Definition

The Correlatable Properties capability allows a manageability endpoint to expose its understanding of which property values could be compared when establishing that the manageability endpoint in question and another manageability endpoint correspond to the same resource. This is especially useful in the case where the two manageability endpoints are unable to return the same Resourceld for a resource. For example, one manageability endpoint may enable a temperature control capability for a SCSI hard disk drive, and another manageability endpoint may enable a capacity management capability for the same SCSI hard disk drive. Each manageability endpoint may return its own unique Resourceld due to implementation requirements or constraints (e.g. firmware). However, implementers of a manageability endpoint may be aware of some unique resource-specific property values that can indicate if two manageability endpoints correspond to the same resource. In the SCSI example, correlatable properties could be host IP, bus #, channel #, SCSI ID, LUN ID. If the values of those property instances match, then one could be fairly certain that multiple manageability paths are provided to the same SCSI resource.

Using the CorrelatableProperties capability, both manageability endpoints may expose their understanding of what resource property values need to match in order to establish a correlation between manageable resources. The manageability consumer uses this information to evaluate and establish such a correlation.

Note that if the *ResourceIds* returned by both manageability endpoints are the same but the correlatable properties do not match, then the resources should be considered the same, as the Identity capability takes precedence over *Correlatable Properties* capability. Typically, manageability consumers will not evaluate correlatable properties if the two manageability endpoints return the same *ResourceId*.

Figure 8 shows the UML representation of MUWS Correlatable Properties.

MUWS::CorrelatableProperties

CorrelatableProperties[0..\*]

Figure 8: MUWS Correlatable Properties

The exposure of the information provided as part of this capability allows clients to understand the information used to uniquely identify the resource. This may allow a nefarious client to spoof the presence of the resource. This is particularly true if it is obvious how to generate or construct the *Resourceld* from these properties. These properties should be used and exposed with this risk in mind. The *CorrelateableProperties* property should receive the same level of protection as the *ResourcelD*.

# **5.3.2 Information Markup Declarations**

There are three elements, as defined by this specification, providing a simple property boolean match (PBM) dialect that can be used to express a correlation condition for correlatable properties. This condition is expressed based on values of properties of the two resources that are compared through the correlatable properties mechanism. These elements are defined in a separate namespace, from the rest of the MUWS specification, as follows:

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- 668 <pbm:Match>xs:QName</pbm:Match>
- 669 This element evaluates to true if the values of the properties for the given QName match for the 670 two resources.
- 671 <pbm:MatchAny>(<pbm:Match/>|<pbm:MatchAll>)\*</pbm:MatchAny>
- 672 This element evaluates to true if any of the enclosed Match and/or MatchAll conditions evaluate 673 to true.
- 674 <pbm:MatchAll>(<pbm:MatchA) </pre>
- 675 This element evaluates to true if all of the enclosed Match and/or MatchAny conditions evaluate 676 to true.

#### 5.3.3 Properties

678 The following is a definition of the property defined by the Correlatable Properties capability.

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      <muws-p1-xs:CorrelatableProperties
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        Dialect="xs:anyURI"
681
        NegativeAssertionPossible="xs:boolean"?>
682
         \{any\} *
683
      </muws-p1-xs:CorrelatableProperties>*
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684 This property indicates, from the perspective of the manageability representation, which property 685 values, conditions and expressions are used to correlate a manageable resource. The cardinality 686 of the property is zero to unbounded.

- 687 This property has the following metadata:
- 688 It is Mutable.

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- 689 It is not Modifiable.
- 690 Its Capability is "http://docs.oasis-
- 691 open.org/wsdm/2004/12/muws/capabilities/CorrelatableProperties".

692 The value of this property is the correlation expression. The format of the correlation expression 693 is determined by the Dialect attribute. This specification defines three possible dialect values. An 694 additional dialect value can be defined to provide additional functionality. A manageability 695 representation can offer several instances of the muws-p1-xs:CorrelatableProperties property, 696 using the same, or different, dialects. A manageability consumer may evaluate a muws-p1-xs: 697 Correlatable Properties property in any dialect that it understands. Support for a particular dialect

698 is optional.

- 699 The dialects defined by this specification are:
  - Simple Property Boolean Match The URI for this dialect is http://docs.oasis-open.org/wsdm/2004/12/pbm. The content of the property is as described in section 5.3.2. If all top-level match conditions evaluate to true, then a correlation between manageable resources is established.
  - XPath 1.0

The URI for this dialect is http://www.w3.org/TR/1999/REC-xpath-19991116. The content of the property is an [XPath 1.0] expression. When retrieved as a property form a manageable resource, the XPath expression is evaluated on properties of another manageability resource. If the XPath expression evaluates to a Boolean value of true, or if it evaluates to a non-empty, non-boolean value, without any errors, then a correlation is established between the manageable resources.

XPath 2.0

The URI for this dialect is http://www.w3.org/TR/xpath20/.

The content of the property is an [XPath 2.0] expression. This XPath expression is

evaluated on a resource properties document of another manageability representation. If the XPath expression evaluates to a Boolean value of *true*, or if it evaluates to a non-empty, non-boolean value, without any errors, then a correlation is established between the manageable resources.

The optional *NegativeAssertionPossible* attributes express whether a negative result from the evaluation of the correlation expression implies that the resources are necessarily different. The default value is false.

- If NegativeAssertionPossible is false, only a positive match is meaningful to the
  consumer. In other words, if the correlation expression evaluates successfully,
  according to the evaluation rules defined by the dialect, then a consumer can
  consider the resource representations to represent the same resource. If the
  correlation expression does not evaluate successfully, then the consumer can not
  infer whether the resource representations represent different resources.
- If NegativeAssertionPossible is true, a positive match still means that the resources
  are the same. But a negative match now means that the resources are guaranteed to
  NOT be the same.

#### 5.3.3.1 Examples of use

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Consider the following two simplified sets of properties, obtained through two different manageability endpoints:

Properties obtained through manageability endpoint ME1:

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735
      <print:PrinterResourcePropDoc>
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737
        <print:PrinterModel>PrintCo SuperJet 5000</print:PrinterModel>
738
        <print:Location>Building 42 lower pillar D4</print:Location>
739
        <print:Owner>Sir Printalot</print:Owner>
740
        <print:IPAddress>15.244.62.41</print:IPAddress>
741
        <foo:Name>Baby got ink</foo:Name>
742
        <muws-p1-xs:CorrelatableProperties</pre>
743
          Dialect="http://docs.oasis-open.org/wsdm/2004/12/pbm">
744
          <pbm:MatchAnv>
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            <pbm:Match>print:IPAddress</pbm:Match>
746
            <pbm:MatchAll>
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              <pbm:Match>foo:Name</pbm:Match>
748
              <pbm:Match>print:PrinterModel</pbm:Match>
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              <pbm:Match>print:Location</pbm:Match>
750
              <pbm:Match>print:Owner</pbm:Match>
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            </pbm:MatchAll>
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          </pbm:MatchAnv>
753
        </muw-pl-xs:CorreletableProperties>
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Properties obtained through manageability endpoint ME2:

The *CorrelatableProperties* property, as provided through manageability endpoint ME1, asserts that if a manageability representation provides a view of a resource which either has the same *IPAddress* as ME1, or, has the same *Name*, *PrinterModel*, *Location*, and *Owner* as ME1, then these two manageability endpoints represent are the same printer. In this example, since the

cd-wsdm-muws-part1-1.0 Copyright © OASIS Open 2003-2004. All Rights Reserved. *IPAddress* doesn't match and the *PrinterModel* is different, the correlation is not established and the consumer cannot deduce that the two printers are the same.

Note that since the *NegativeAssertionPossible* attribute is not specified on *CorrelatableProperties* it takes the default value of *false*. Therefore, the consumer cannot assume that the resources are indeed two different printers. At this point, the consumer still cannot infer whether the two manageability endpoints correspond to the same printer or not.

Properties obtained through manageability endpoint ME3:

```
775
      <print:PrinterResourcePropDoc>
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777
        <muws-pl-xs:CorrelatableProperties
778
          Dialect=http://www.w3.org/TR/1999/REC-xpath-19991116
779
          NegativeAssertionPossible="false">
780
      boolean(/print:PrinterResourcePropDoc/print:LastJob/print:JobID="5622654845
781
      1262") and
782
      boolean(/print:PrinterResourcePropDoc/print:LastJob/print:JobOriginator="15
783
      .244.30.30")
784
        </muw-p1-xs:CorrelatableProperties>
785
      </print:PrinterResourcePropDoc>
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Properties obtained through manageability endpoint ME4:

The *CorrelatableProperties* property, as provided through manageability endpoint ME3, asserts that if a manageability endpoint provides a view of a resource for which the *JobID* of the last job is 56226548451262, and the *JobOriginator* of the last job is 15.244.30.30, then these manageability endpoints represent the same printer. In this example, the condition is satisfied, so the consumer knows that ME3 and ME4 correspond to the same physical printer. Note that, as the example shows, with this dialect the consumer only needs to retrieve the *CorrelatableProperties* property and no other property from ME3 to check correlation. From ME4 it needs to retrieve the properties needed to evaluate the XPath expression. In this example, *NegativeAssertionPossible* is set to *false*, thus a negative result would not have guaranteed that the printers behind ME3 and ME4 are indeed different.

# 6 Defining a Manageability Interface

- Implementers of manageability endpoints are free to expose additional manageability capabilities beyond those defined in MUWS. An additional capability is represented by a set of manageability capability interfaces. The properties defined in a new capability must be defined as XML Schema Global Element Declarations. The operations defined in a new capability are represented as WSDL 1.1 operations. Furthermore, a manageability endpoint offering a new capability is free to ignore all standard manageability capabilities defined by MUWS except for the *Identity* capability.
- The MUWS *Identity* capability is REQUIRED.
- 813 MUWS-compliant manageability endpoints SHOULD also comply with the WS-I Basic Profile
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# **Appendix C. MUWS Part 1 Schema (Normative)**

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917
      <?xml version="1.0" encoding="utf-8"?>
918
      <xs:schema</pre>
919
           targetNamespace="http://docs.oasis-open.org/wsdm/2004/12/muws/wsdm-muws-
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      part1.xsd"
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           xmlns:muws-p1-xs="http://docs.oasis-open.org/wsdm/2004/12/muws/wsdm-muws-
922
      part1.xsd"
923
          xmlns:wsa="http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/08/addressing"
924
          xmlns:xs="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema"
925
          elementFormDefault="qualified" attributeFormDefault="unqualified">
926
927
        <xs:import namespace="http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/08/addressing"</pre>
928
929
      schemaLocation="http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/08/addressing"/>
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        <xs:element name="ResourceId" type="xs:anyURI"/>
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        <xs:complexType name="IdentityPropertiesType">
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           <xs:sequence>
935
             <xs:element ref="muws-p1-xs:ResourceId"/>
936
           </xs:sequence>
937
        </xs:complexType>
938
939
        <xs:element name="IdentityProperties"</pre>
940
                     type="muws-p1-xs:IdentityPropertiesType"/>
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943
        <xs:element name="ManageabilityCapability" type="xs:anyURI"/>
944
945
        <xs:complexType name="ManageabilityCharacteristicsPropertiesType">
946
           <xs:sequence>
947
             <xs:element ref="muws-p1-xs:ManageabilityCapability"</pre>
948
                         minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="unbounded"/>
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           </xs:sequence>
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        </xs:complexType>
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         <xs:element name="ManageabilityCharacteristicsProperties"</pre>
953
                     type="muws-pl-xs:ManageabilityCharacteristicsPropertiesType"/>
954
955
956
        <xs:complexType name="CorrelatablePropertiesType">
957
958
             <xs:any minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="unbounded"</pre>
959
                     namespace="##other" processContents="lax"/>
960
           </xs:sequence>
961
           <xs:attribute name="Dialect" type="xs:anyURI"/>
962
           <xs:attribute name="NegativeAssertionPossible" type="xs:boolean"/>
963
           <xs:anyAttribute namespace="##other"/>
964
         </xs:complexType>
965
966
        <xs:element name="CorrelatableProperties"</pre>
967
                     type="muws-p1-xs:CorrelatablePropertiesType"/>
968
969
        <xs:complexType name="CorrelatablePropertiesPropertiesType">
970
           <xs:sequence>
971
             <xs:element ref="muws-pl-xs:CorrelatableProperties"</pre>
972
                         minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="unbounded"/>
973
           </xs:sequence>
974
         </xs:complexType>
975
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976
          <xs:element name="CorrelatablePropertiesProperties"</pre>
 977
                      type="muws-p1-xs:CorrelatablePropertiesPropertiesType"/>
 978
 979
 980
          <xs:complexType name="ComponentAddressType">
 981
            <xs:sequence>
 982
              <xs:any namespace="##other" processContents="lax"/>
 983
            </xs:sequence>
 984
          </xs:complexType>
 985
 986
          <xs:complexType name="ComponentType">
 987
            <xs:sequence>
 988
              <xs:element name="ResourceId" type="xs:anyURI"</pre>
 989
                          minOccurs="0"/>
 990
              <xs:element name="ComponentAddress"</pre>
 991
                          type="muws-p1-xs:ComponentAddressType"
 992
                          minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="unbounded"/>
 993
              <xs:any minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="unbounded"</pre>
 994
                      namespace="##other" processContents="lax"/>
 995
            </xs:sequence>
 996
            <xs:anyAttribute namespace="##other"/>
 997
          </xs:complexType>
 998
 999
          <xs:complexType name="ManagementEventType">
1000
            <xs:sequence>
1001
              <xs:element name="EventId" type="xs:anyURI"/>
1002
              <xs:element name="SourceComponent" type="muws-p1-xs:ComponentType"/>
1003
              <xs:element name="ReporterComponent" type="muws-p1-xs:ComponentType"</pre>
1004
                          minOccurs="0"/>
1005
              <xs:any minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="unbounded"</pre>
1006
                      namespace="##other" processContents="lax"/>
1007
            </xs:sequence>
1008
            <xs:attribute name="ReportTime" type="xs:dateTime" use="optional"/>
1009
            <xs:anyAttribute namespace="##other"/>
1010
          </xs:complexType>
1011
1012
          <xs:element name="ManagementEvent"</pre>
1013
                      type="muws-p1-xs:ManagementEventType"/>
1014
1015
          <xs:element name="ManageabilityEndpointReference"</pre>
1016
                      type="wsa:EndpointReferenceType"/>
1017
1018
       </xs:schema>
```

# **Appendix D. Properties Boolean Match Schema** (Normative)

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```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="utf-8"?>
1022
1023
       <xs:schema
1024
           targetNamespace="http://docs.oasis-open.org/wsdm/2004/12/muws/wsdm-pbm.xsd"
1025
           xmlns:pbm="http://docs.oasis-open.org/wsdm/2004/12/muws/wsdm-pbm.xsd"
1026
           xmlns:xs="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema"
1027
           elementFormDefault="qualified" attributeFormDefault="unqualified">
1028
1029
         <xs:element name="Match" type="xs:QName"/>
1030
1031
         <xs:complexType name="MatchAllType">
1032
           <xs:choice>
1033
             <xs:element ref="pbm:Match"/>
1034
             <xs:element ref="pbm:MatchAny"/>
1035
           </xs:choice>
1036
         </xs:complexType>
1037
1038
         <xs:complexType name="MatchAnyType">
1039
           <xs:choice>
1040
             <xs:element ref="pbm:Match"/>
1041
             <xs:element ref="pbm:MatchAll"/>
1042
           </xs:choice>
1043
         </xs:complexType>
1044
1045
         <xs:element name="MatchAll" type="pbm:MatchAllType"/>
1046
1047
         <xs:element name="MatchAny" type="pbm:MatchAnyType"/>
1048
1049
       </xs:schema>
1050
```