

[MS-ECTPWPS]: External Content Type Picker Web Service Protocol Specification

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1 Introduction

This document specifies the External Content Type Picker Web Service Protocol, which enables protocol clients to find and resolve external data on a protocol server.

Sections 1.8, 2, and 3 of this specification are normative and contain RFC 2119 language. Sections 1.5 and 1.9 are also normative but cannot contain RFC 2119 language. All other sections and examples in this specification are informative.

1.1 Glossary

The following terms are defined in [\[MS-GLOS\]](#):

ASCII
Hypertext Transfer Protocol (HTTP)
Hypertext Transfer Protocol over Secure Sockets Layer (HTTPS)

The following terms are defined in [\[MS-OFCGLOS\]](#):

base64 encoding
common language runtime (CLR)
Entity
EntityInstance
field
Finder
Identifier
LobSystem
LobSystemInstance
metadata store
MetadataObject
Simple Object Access Protocol (SOAP)
site
SOAP action
SOAP body
SOAP fault
Uniform Resource Locator (URL)
Web Services Description Language (WSDL)
WSDL operation
XML namespace
XML schema

The following terms are specific to this document:

MAY, SHOULD, MUST, SHOULD NOT, MUST NOT: These terms (in all caps) are used as described in [\[RFC2119\]](#). All statements of optional behavior use either MAY, SHOULD, or SHOULD NOT.

1.2 References

References to Microsoft Open Specification documents do not include a publishing year because links are to the latest version of the documents, which are updated frequently. References to other documents include a publishing year when one is available.

1.2.1 Normative References

We conduct frequent surveys of the normative references to assure their continued availability. If you have any issue with finding a normative reference, please contact dochelp@microsoft.com. We will assist you in finding the relevant information. Please check the archive site, <http://msdn2.microsoft.com/en-us/library/E4BD6494-06AD-4aed-9823-445E921C9624>, as an additional source.

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[SOAP1.2/2] Gudgin, M., Hadley, M., Mendelsohn, N., Moreau, J., and Nielsen, H.F., "SOAP Version 1.2 Part 2: Adjuncts", W3C Recommendation, June 2003, <http://www.w3.org/TR/2003/REC-soap12-part2-20030624>

1.3 Protocol Overview (Synopsis)

This protocol enables a protocol client to find and resolve **EntityInstances**. The protocol allows the protocol client to pass criteria, which consist of a set of values describing an **Entity** and a search query, to the protocol server to receive back a list of **EntityInstances** that match the criteria. The protocol also allows the protocol client to pass the value of an identifier of an **EntityInstance** to the protocol server to receive back a set of values describing the identifier or describing the instance.

A typical scenario for using this protocol is an application that allows users to retrieve a set of **EntityInstances** matching a query or to verify if user input can match the key of an existing **EntityInstance** and show detailed data about that **EntityInstance**.

1.4 Relationship to Other Protocols

This protocol uses the **SOAP** message protocol for formatting request and response messages, as described in [\[SOAP1.1\]](#), [\[SOAP1.2/1\]](#) and [\[SOAP1.2/2\]](#). It transmits those messages by using **HTTP**, as described in [\[RFC2616\]](#), or **Hypertext Transfer Protocol over Secure Sockets Layer (HTTPS)**, as described in [\[RFC2818\]](#).

The following diagram shows the underlying messaging and transport stack used by the protocol:

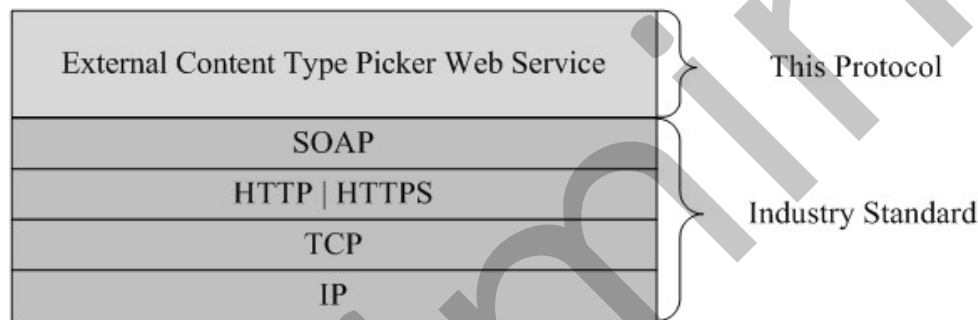


Figure 1: This protocol in relation to other protocols

1.5 Prerequisites/Preconditions

This protocol operates against a **site (1)** that is identified by a **URL** that is known by protocol clients. The protocol server endpoint is formed by appending `"/_vti_bin/BDCResolverPickerService.svc"` to the URL of the site (1), for example: `http://www.contoso.com/Repository/_vti_bin/BDCResolverPickerService.svc`.

This protocol assumes that authentication has been performed by the underlying protocols.

1.6 Applicability Statement

None.

1.7 Versioning and Capability Negotiation

This document covers versioning issues in the following areas:

- **Supported transports:** This protocol uses multiple transports with SOAP as specified in section [2.1](#).

1.8 Vendor-Extensible Fields

None.

1.9 Standards Assignments

None.

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2 Messages

2.1 Transport

Protocol servers **MUST** support SOAP over HTTP. Protocol servers **SHOULD** additionally support SOAP over HTTPS for securing communication with protocol clients.

Protocol messages **MUST** be formatted as specified in [\[SOAP1.1\]](#) section 4. Protocol server faults **MUST** be returned either using HTTP status codes as specified in [\[RFC2616\]](#) section 10 or using **SOAP faults** as specified in [\[SOAP1.1\]](#) section 4.4.

2.2 Common Message Syntax

This section contains common definitions that are used by this protocol. The syntax of the definitions uses **XML schema**, as specified in [\[XMLSCHEMA1\]](#) and [\[XMLSCHEMA2\]](#), and **WSDL**, as specified in [\[WSDL\]](#).

2.2.1 Namespaces

This protocol specifies and references **XML namespaces** using the mechanisms specified in [\[XMLNS\]](#). Although this document associates an XML namespace prefix for each namespace that is used, the choice of any particular namespace prefix is implementation-specific and not significant for interoperability.

Prefix	Namespace URI	Reference
xsd	http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema	[XMLSCHEMA1] [XMLSCHEMA2]
soap	http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/wsdl/soap/	[SOAP1.1]
tns	http://tempuri.org/	
wsam	http://www.w3.org/2007/05/addressing/metadata	
(none)	http://tempuri.org/	
wsdl	http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/wsdl/	[WSDL]
xs	http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema	[XMLSCHEMA1] [XMLSCHEMA2]

2.2.2 Messages

This specification does not define any common WSDL message definitions.

2.2.3 Elements

This specification does not define any common XML schema element definitions.

2.2.4 Complex Types

The following table summarizes the set of common XML schema complex type definitions defined by this specification. XML schema complex type definitions that are specific to a particular operation are described with the operation.

Complex type	Description
ArrayOfString	An array of string values.

2.2.4.1 ArrayOfString

The **ArrayOfString** complex type represents a list of **xs:string** as specified in [\[XMLSCHEMA2\]](#). This complex type is defined as follows.

```
<xs:complexType name="ArrayOfString">  
  <xs:sequence>  
    <xs:element minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="unbounded" name="string" nillable="true"  
      type="xs:string"/>  
  </xs:sequence>  
</xs:complexType>
```

string: An element in the list.

2.2.5 Simple Types

This specification does not define any common XML schema simple type definitions.

2.2.6 Attributes

This specification does not define any common XML schema attribute definitions.

2.2.7 Groups

This specification does not define any common XML schema group definitions.

2.2.8 Attribute Groups

This specification does not define any common XML schema attribute group definitions.

2.2.9 Common Data Structures

This specification does not define any common XML schema data structures.

3 Protocol Details

The client side of this protocol is simply a pass-through. That is, no additional timers or other state is required on the client side of this protocol. Calls made by the higher-layer protocol or application are passed directly to the transport, and the results returned by the transport are passed directly back to the higher-layer protocol or application.

3.1 Server Details

3.1.1 Abstract Data Model

This section describes a conceptual model of possible data organization that an implementation maintains to participate in this protocol. The described organization is provided to facilitate the explanation of how the protocol behaves. This document does not mandate that implementations adhere to this model as long as their external behavior is consistent with that described in this document.

The protocol server MUST maintain lists of following **MetadataObject** types: **LobSystem**, **LobSystemInstance**, **Entity**, **Identifiers**, **Finder** and **Field**. The protocol server MUST maintain the following relationships among these **MetadataObject** types:

- Each **Entity** is contained by a **LobSystem**.
- Each **LobSystemInstance** is contained by a **LobSystem**.
- Each **Field** is contained by either an **Entity** or another **Field**.
- Each **Finder** is contained by an **Entity**.
- Each **Entity** contains 0 or 1 **DefaultFinders**.
- Each **Identifier** MUST be contained by an **Entity**.

The protocol server MUST follow these rules:

- All **Entities** that the server maintains MUST have unique names.
- All **LobSystemInstances** contained in one **LobSystem** MUST have unique names.
- All **Finders** contained in one **Entity** MUST have unique names.
- Exactly one of the **Finders** of an **Entity** MUST be identified as the **DefaultFinder** for that **Entity**.
- All **Fields** contained in one **Entity** MUST have unique names.
- All **Fields** contained within the same parent **Field** MUST have unique names.
- All **Identifiers** within an **Entity** MUST have a unique positive integer associated with them, valued between 1 and the number of **Identifiers**.
- All **LobSystems** contained by a metadata store MUST have unique names.

3.1.2 Timers

None.

3.1.3 Initialization

None.

3.1.4 Message Processing Events and Sequencing Rules

This specification includes the following **WSDL operations**:

WSDL Operation	Description
DecodeEntityInstanceId	This operation is used to retrieve the data values of an EntityInstance's Identifiers encoded in the input. This operation is defined as follows.
GetEntityInstances	This operation is used to retrieve the data values of a list of Entity Fields associated with one or more EntityInstances matching the input criteria. This operation is defined as follows.
ReadEntityInstance	This operation is used to retrieve the data values of the EntityInstance Identifiers and the display name value of the EntityInstance identified by the input criteria. This operation is defined as follows.

3.1.4.1 DecodeEntityInstanceId

This operation is used to retrieve the data values of an EntityInstance's Identifiers encoded in the input.

This operation is defined as follows.

```
<wsdl:operation name="DecodeEntityInstanceId">
  <wsdl:input wsam:Action="http://tempuri.org/IResolverPickerService/DecodeEntityInstanceId"
    message="tns:IResolverPickerService_DecodeEntityInstanceId_InputMessage"/>
  <wsdl:output
    wsam:Action="http://tempuri.org/IResolverPickerService/DecodeEntityInstanceIdResponse"
    message="tns:IResolverPickerService_DecodeEntityInstanceId_OutputMessage"/>
</wsdl:operation>
```

The protocol client sends an **IResolverPickerService_DecodeEntityInstanceId_InputMessage** request message, and the protocol server responds with an **IResolverPickerService_DecodeEntityInstanceId_OutputMessage** response message, as follows:

1. The caller of this operation **MUST** provide the encoded data values of the **Identifiers** which are to be decoded.
2. If the provided encoded data values of the **Identifiers** can be decoded, the protocol server **MUST** return the list of the values of the **EntityInstance's Identifiers** encoded in the input and **MUST** return the success status set to **true**.

This operation **MUST** return a **DecodeEntityInstanceIdResponse** (section [3.1.4.1.2.2](#)).

If any unexpected error condition is met, the protocol server **MUST** respond with a SOAP fault, which **MUST** comply with the SOAP fault specification in section 4.4 of [\[SOAP1.1\]](#). The fault code **MUST** be

set to "InternalServiceFault". The fault string MUST be set to an implementation-specific string indicating that an error has occurred.

3.1.4.1.1 Messages

The following table summarizes the set of WSDL message definitions that are specific to this operation.

Message	Description
IResolverPickerService_DecodeEntityInstanceId_InputMessage	The requested WSDL message for a DecodeEntityInstanceId WSDL operation.
IResolverPickerService_DecodeEntityInstanceId_OutputMessage	The response WSDL message for a DecodeEntityInstanceId method.

3.1.4.1.1.1 IResolverPickerService_DecodeEntityInstanceId_InputMessage

The requested WSDL message for a **DecodeEntityInstanceId** WSDL operation.

The **SOAP action** value is:

```
http://tempuri.org/IResolverPickerService/DecodeEntityInstanceId
```

The **SOAP body** contains a **DecodeEntityInstanceId** element.

3.1.4.1.1.2 IResolverPickerService_DecodeEntityInstanceId_OutputMessage

The response WSDL message for a **DecodeEntityInstanceId** method.

The SOAP action value is:

```
http://tempuri.org/IResolverPickerService/DecodeEntityInstanceIdResponse
```

The SOAP body contains a **DecodeEntityInstanceIdResponse** element.

3.1.4.1.2 Elements

The following table summarizes the XML schema element definitions that are specific to this operation.

Element	Description
	The input data for a DecodeEntityInstanceId WSDL operation.
DecodeEntityInstanceIdResponse	The result data for a DecodeEntityInstanceId WSDL operation.

3.1.4.1.2.1 DecodeEntityInstanceId

The input data for a **DecodeEntityInstanceId** WSDL operation.

```
<xs:element name="DecodeEntityInstanceId">
  <xs:complexType>
    <xs:sequence>
      <xs:element minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="1" name="bstrSiteId" type="xs:string"/>
      <xs:element minOccurs="1" maxOccurs="1" name="bstrEntityInstanceId" type="xs:string"/>
      <xs:element minOccurs="1" maxOccurs="1" name="fFormatAsXml" type="xs:boolean"/>
    </xs:sequence>
  </xs:complexType>
</xs:element>
```

bstrSiteId: MUST be ignored by the protocol server.

bstrEntityInstanceId: the value of the serialized reference to the EntityInstance. The value MUST be present. The format of the reference to the **EntityInstance** MUST be as follows:

- The string MUST begin with the serialized length of the Entity namespace.
- The string MUST then contain a colon (:).
- The string MUST then contain the **Entity** namespace.
- The string MUST then contain the serialized length of the **Entity** name.
- The string MUST then contain a colon (:).
- The string MUST then contain the **Entity** name.
- The string MUST then contain the serialized length of the name of a Finder contained in the **Entity**.
- The string MUST then contain a colon (:).
- The string MUST then contain the **Finder** name.
- The string MUST then contain the serialized length of the name of a LobSystemInstance contained in the same LobSystem as the **Entity** identified by the **Entity** namespace and **Entity** name.
- The string MUST then contain a colon (:).
- The string MUST then contain the **LobSystemInstance** name.
- The rest of the reference to the **EntityInstance** MUST consist of a serialization of the values and types of the data values of the **EntityInstance Identifiers**:
 - The serialization of the data values of the **EntityInstance Identifiers** MUST be composed of the concatenation of the encodings of the data value of each **EntityInstance** Identifier and type.
 - Each data value of an **EntityInstance Identifier** MUST be encoded as follows:
 - "A", if the **CLR** type of the data value of the **EntityInstance Identifier** is "System.Boolean", and the value is equal to **true**.

- "a", if the CLR type of the data value of the **EntityInstance Identifier** is "System.Boolean", and the value is equal to **false**.
- "b", if the CLR type of the data value of the **EntityInstance Identifier** is "System.Byte", followed by the **base64 encoding** of the value. The base64 encoding in this and subsequent descriptions of the data value of the **EntityInstance Identifier** encoding **MUST** be performed according to [\[RFC4648\]](#).
- "C", if the CLR type of the data value of the **EntityInstance Identifier** is "System.Char", followed by the base64 encoding of the **Char** value.
- "D", if the CLR type of the data value of the **EntityInstance Identifier** is **System.DateTime**, followed by a character representing the CLR **DateTimeKind** of the data value and then followed by the base64 encoding of the binary representation of the **DateTime** value.
 - The character representing the **DateTimeKind** of the data value **MUST** be obtained as follows:
 - "a", if the CLR **DateTimeKind** is "Unspecified".
 - "b", if the CLR **DateTimeKind** is "UTC".
 - "c", if the CLR **DateTimeKind** is "Local".
 - The binary representation of the **DateTime** value **MUST** be obtained as follows:
 - Obtain the **Ticks** representation of the **DateTime** value, as the number of 100-nanosecond intervals that have elapsed since 12:00:00 midnight, January 1, 0001.
 - If the **DateTime** is not local, its binary representation **MUST** be equal to the **Ticks** value obtained in the previous step.
 - If the **DateTime** is local, obtain the UTC equivalent **Ticks** representation by adjusting for the **TimeZone** of the **DateTime**.
 - If the number of **Ticks** is negative, add 4611686018427387904.
 - The binary representation **MUST** be the result of the bitwise OR between the resulting number of **Ticks** and -9223372036854775808.
- "E", if the CLR type of the data value of the **EntityInstance Identifier** is **System.Decimal**, followed by the base64 encoding of the length of the base64 encoding of the value, followed by the base64 encoding of the string representation of the value.
- "F", if the CLR type of the data value of the **EntityInstance Identifier** is "System.Double", followed by the base64 encoding of the value.
- "G", if the CLR type of the data value of the **EntityInstance Identifier** is "System.Guid", followed by the base64 encoding of the string representation of the value.
- "H", if the CLR type of the data value of the **EntityInstance Identifier** is "System.Int16", followed by the base64 encoding of the value.
- "i", if the CLR type of the data value of the **EntityInstance Identifier** is "System.Int32", followed by the base64 encoding of the value.

- "I", if the CLR type of the data value of the **EntityInstance Identifier** is "System.Int64", followed by the base64 encoding of the value.
- "h", if the CLR type of the data value of the **EntityInstance Identifier** is "System.SByte", followed by the base64 encoding of the arithmetic sum between the value and the constant value 128.
- "f", if the CLR type of the data value of the **EntityInstance Identifier** is "System.Single", followed by the base64 encoding of the value.
- "S", if the CLR type of the data value of the **EntityInstance Identifier** is "System.String", followed by the base64 encoding of the length of the base64 encoding of the value, followed by the base64 encoding of the value.
- "d", if the CLR type of the data value of the **EntityInstance Identifier** is "System.TimeSpan", followed by the base64 encoding of the **Ticks** representation of the value. The **Ticks** representation of the value MUST be the number of 100 nanosecond intervals that are equivalent in duration to the value.
- "B", if the CLR type of the data value of the **EntityInstance Identifier** is "System.UInt16", followed by the base64 encoding of the value.
- "u", if the CLR type of the data value of the **EntityInstance Identifier** is "System.UInt32", followed by the base64 encoding of the value.
- "U", if the CLR type of the data value of the **EntityInstance Identifier** is "System.UInt64", followed by the base64 encoding of the value.

fFormatAsXml: Flag indicating whether returned **EntityInstance Identifiers** of CLR type System.DateTime, if any, should be formatted according to CLR serialization rules or according to [ISO-8601](#). The value MUST be present.

- If **fFormatAsXml** is **true**, any returned **EntityInstance Identifiers** of CLR type "System.DateTime" MUST be represented according to the extended format described in [ISO-8601](#).
- If **fFormatAsXml** is **false**, any returned **EntityInstance Identifiers** of CLR type "System.DateTime" MUST be encoded as the string representation of the **Ticks** represented by the data value of the **EntityInstance Identifier**. The **Ticks** represented by a value of CLR type "System.DateTime" MUST be the number of 100-nanosecond intervals that have elapsed since 12:00:00 midnight, January 1, 0001.

3.1.4.1.2.2 DecodeEntityInstanceIdResponse

The result data for a **DecodeEntityInstanceId** WSDL operation.

```
<xs:element name="DecodeEntityInstanceIdResponse">
  <xs:complexType>
    <xs:sequence>
      <xs:element minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="1" name="DecodeEntityInstanceIdResult"
type="tns:ArrayOfString"/>
      <xs:element minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="1" name="message" type="xs:string"/>
      <xs:element minOccurs="1" maxOccurs="1" name="success" type="xs:boolean"/>
    </xs:sequence>
  </xs:complexType>
</xs:element>
```


DecodeEntityInstanceIdResult: The list of data values of the **EntityInstance Identifiers** obtained by decoding the provided input. Each value **MUST** be the CLR-provided serialized representation of the corresponding data value of the **EntityInstance Identifier**. Each value **MUST** be encoded as specified in [\[XML10\]](#).

message: Contains errors or warnings resulting from the process of decoding the provided input, if any. The message **MUST** be encoded as specified in [\[XML10\]](#).

success: A flag indicating whether the operation finished without any unexpected errors. The value **MUST** [<1>](#) be set to true if the operation finished without any unexpected errors, false otherwise. The value **MUST** be ignored by the protocol client. The value **MUST** be present.

3.1.4.2 GetEntityInstances

This operation is used to retrieve the data values of a list of Entity Fields associated with one or more EntityInstances matching the input criteria.

This operation is defined as follows.

```
<wsdl:operation name="GetEntityInstances">
  <wsdl:input wsam:Action="http://tempuri.org/IResolverPickerService/GetEntityInstances"
    message="tns:IResolverPickerService_GetEntityInstances_InputMessage"/>
  <wsdl:output
    wsam:Action="http://tempuri.org/IResolverPickerService/GetEntityInstancesResponse"
    message="tns:IResolverPickerService_GetEntityInstances_OutputMessage"/>
</wsdl:operation>
```

This operation is used to search for **EntityInstances** matching the input criteria. The input criteria are the **LobSystemInstance** name, the **Entity** name, the **Entity** namespace, the **Entity** Finder name, the name of the **Field** used to visualize the **EntityInstance** in a UI, the user-provided search token, whether the method **MUST** resolve or **MUST** search for **EntityInstances** and the maximum number of results to be returned by the protocol server.

The protocol client sends an **IResolverPickerService_GetEntityInstances_InputMessage** request message, and the protocol server responds with an **IResolverPickerService_GetEntityInstances_OutputMessage** response message, as follows:

- The caller of this operation **MUST** specify:
 - The name of the **LobSystemInstance** which is to be searched.
 - The name of the **Entity** which is to be searched.
 - The **Entity** namespace which is to be searched
 - The name of the **Field** within the **EntityInstance** that contains the suggested display text for visualizing the **EntityInstance** in the UI presented to the user by the protocol client.
 - The value to search for, representing the input from the user that is to be used as the search string.
 - Whether this operation **MUST** attempt to search for **EntityInstances** or **MUST** resolve the **EntityInstance**.
 - The maximum number of **EntityInstances** to return.
- In addition, the caller of this operation:

- MUST specify the name of the **Finder** to be used, if the protocol server MUST use a particular **Finder** to identify the appropriate **EntityInstances**. The caller MUST NOT provide the name of a **Finder** if the protocol server MUST use an implementation-specific Finder to identify the appropriate **EntityInstances**.
- MUST specify the name of the **Field**, if the protocol server MUST use a particular **Field** to identify the value used for the visualization of the **EntityInstances** in the UI presented to the user by the protocol client. The caller MUST NOT provide the name of a **Field** if the protocol server MUST use an implementation-specific **Field** to identify the value used for the visualization of the **EntityInstances** in the UI presented to the user by the protocol client.
- If at least one **EntityInstance** is found, the protocol server MUST return:
 - The matching **EntityInstances'** list of name-value pairs representing the **Entity Field** name and the corresponding **EntityInstance Field** value.
 - The list of hints indicating whether to display a specific name-value pair in the UI presented to the user by the protocol client.
 - The success flag, set to true if the operation finished without any unexpected errors, false otherwise.
- If no **EntityInstances** are found matching the input criteria, the protocol server MUST return:
 - An empty list of name-value pairs.
 - An empty list of hints indicating whether to display a specific name-value pair in the UI presented to the user by the protocol client.
 - The success flag, set to true if the operation finished without any unexpected errors, false otherwise.
- In addition, for any expected errors or warnings encountered during the operation, the protocol server MUST return a description of the error or warning in the Message. As an example, an error message will be returned if one of the parameters, such as the **Entity** namespace, is incorrect.

This operation MUST return [GetEntityInstancesResponse](#).

If any unexpected error condition is met, the protocol server MUST respond with a SOAP fault, which MUST comply with the SOAP fault specification in section 4.4 of [\[SOAP1.1\]](#). The faultcode MUST be set to **InternalServiceFault**. The **faultstring** MUST be set to an implementation-specific string indicating that an error has occurred.

3.1.4.2.1 Messages

The following table summarizes the set of WSDL message definitions that are specific to this operation.

Message	Description
IResolverPickerService_GetEntityInstances_InputMessage	The requested WSDL message for a GetEntityInstances WSDL operation.
IResolverPickerService_GetEntityInstances_OutputMessage	The response WSDL message for a GetEntityInstances method.

3.1.4.2.1.1 IResolverPickerService_GetEntityInstances_InputMessage

The requested WSDL message for a **GetEntityInstances** WSDL operation.

The SOAP action value is:

```
http://tempuri.org/IResolverPickerService/GetEntityInstances
```

The SOAP body contains a **GetEntityInstances** element.

3.1.4.2.1.2 IResolverPickerService_GetEntityInstances_OutputMessage

The response WSDL message for a **GetEntityInstances** method.

The SOAP action value is:

```
http://tempuri.org/IResolverPickerService/GetEntityInstancesResponse
```

The SOAP body contains a **GetEntityInstancesResponse** element.

3.1.4.2.2 Elements

The following table summarizes the XML schema element definitions that are specific to this operation.

Element	Description
GetEntityInstances	The input data for a GetEntityInstances WSDL operation.
GetEntityInstancesResponse	The result data for a GetEntityInstances WSDL operation.

3.1.4.2.2.1 GetEntityInstances

The input data for a **GetEntityInstances** WSDL operation.

```
<xs:element name="GetEntityInstances">
  <xs:complexType>
    <xs:sequence>
      <xs:element minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="1" name="siteId" type="xs:string"/>
      <xs:element minOccurs="1" maxOccurs="1" name="systemInstanceName" type="xs:string"/>
      <xs:element minOccurs="1" maxOccurs="1" name="entityNamespace" type="xs:string"/>
      <xs:element minOccurs="1" maxOccurs="1" name="entityName" type="xs:string"/>
      <xs:element minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="1" name="finderName" type="xs:string"/>
      <xs:element minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="1" name="displayFieldName" type="xs:string"/>
      <xs:element minOccurs="1" maxOccurs="1" name="searchToken" type="xs:string"/>
      <xs:element minOccurs="1" maxOccurs="1" name="usedForPicking" type="xs:boolean"/>
      <xs:element minOccurs="1" maxOccurs="1" name="maxResults" type="xs:unsignedInt"/>
      <xs:element minOccurs="1" maxOccurs="1" name="refreshInterval" type="xs:unsignedInt"/>
    </xs:sequence>
  </xs:complexType>
</xs:element>
```

siteId: MUST be ignored by the protocol server.

systemInstanceName: The name of the LobSystemInstance to be searched. The value MUST be present. The value MUST be encoded as specified in [\[XML10\]](#).

entityNamespace: The Entity namespace to be searched. The value MUST be present. The value MUST be encoded as specified in [\[XML10\]](#).

entityName: The name of the **Entity** to be searched. The value MUST be present. The value MUST be encoded as specified in [\[XML10\]](#).

finderName: The name of the **Entity** Finder to be used for searching. If the **Finder** name is not specified, the default **Finder** of the **Entity** MUST be used. The value MUST be encoded as specified in [\[XML10\]](#).

displayFieldName: The location, within the EntityInstance, from where to obtain the suggested value to be used when displaying the **EntityInstance** in the UI presented to the user by the protocol client. The location MUST be specified in a hierarchical fashion. The first token in the location MUST be the name of one of the Fields of the **Entity**. Any subsequent token MUST be the name of a **Field** contained in the **Field** identified by the previous token. Tokens MUST be separated by a single period (.). If appearing within the name of a token, the following characters MUST be replaced by their encoded string counterparts:

Character	Encoded string counterpart
Opening square bracket ([)	Backslash, opening square bracket (\[)
Period (.)	Backslash, period (\.)
Backslash (\)	Backslash, backslash (\\)

The entire **displayFieldName** MUST be encoded as specified in [\[XML10\]](#).

If a **displayFieldName** is not specified, an implementation-specific **Field** of the **Entity** MUST be used.

searchToken: The user-provided string used to identify the **EntityInstances**. The value MUST be present. The value MUST be encoded as specified in [\[XML10\]](#)

usedForPicking: Flag indicating whether this operation MUST attempt to resolve or MUST attempt to search for **EntityInstances**. The value MUST be set to **true** if the operation is used to search for **EntityInstances**; **false** otherwise.

maxResults: The maximum number of **EntityInstances** to be returned. The value MUST be present. If more **EntityInstances** are found, the return message MUST indicate so.

refreshInterval: MUST be ignored by the protocol server. This value MUST be present.

3.1.4.2.2 GetEntityInstancesResponse

The result data for a **GetEntityInstances** WSDL operation.

```
<xs:element name="GetEntityInstancesResponse">
  <xs:complexType>
    <xs:sequence>
      <xs:element minOccurs="1" maxOccurs="1" name="GetEntityInstancesResult"
        type="xs:unsignedInt"/>
      <xs:element minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="1" name="columnNames" type="tns:ArrayOfString"/>
    </xs:sequence>
  </xs:complexType>
</xs:element>
```

```

    <xs:element minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="1" name="localizedColumnNames"
type="tns:ArrayOfString"/>
    <xs:element minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="1" name="showInPicker" type="tns:ArrayOfBoolean"/>
    <xs:element minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="1" name="values" type="tns:ArrayOfString"/>
    <xs:element minOccurs="1" maxOccurs="1" name="hasEntityMetadata" type="xs:boolean"/>
    <xs:element minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="1" name="message" type="xs:string"/>
    <xs:element minOccurs="1" maxOccurs="1" name="success" type="xs:boolean"/>
  </xs:sequence>
</xs:complexType>
</xs:element>

```

GetEntityInstancesResult: The number of **EntityInstances** returned.

columnNames: an ordered list of strings indicating the names of the Fields returned for the identified Entity. The first string MUST be set to "__identities". The second string MUST be set to "__entityInstanceReference". The third string MUST be set to "__displayName". The remaining strings MUST be the names of the **Fields** of the identified **Entity**.

localizedColumnNames: an ordered list of strings indicating the localespecific names of the **Fields** returned for the identified **Entity**. The first, second and third strings MUST be ignored by the protocol client. The remaining strings MUST be the locale-specific names of the **Fields** of the identified **Entity**. The protocol server MUST use an implementation-specific algorithm to determine the locale to which the localizedColumnNames will conform.

showInPicker: an ordered list of Boolean flags. The list MUST contain the same number of elements as the columnNames list. The first, second and third flags in this list MUST be ignored by the protocol client. Each of the remaining flags MUST indicate whether the **Entity Field**, identified by the name in the corresponding position in the columnNames list, is to be shown in the UI presented to the user by the protocol client. The value MUST be set to true if the corresponding field (4) is to be shown in the UI presented to the user by the protocol client, false otherwise.

values: an ordered list of string values. The list MUST contain a number of elements equal to the length of the columnNames multiplied by the value of GetEntityInstancesResult. The values list MUST be a concatenation of GetEntityInstanceResult sublists, where each of these sub lists MUST correspond to one of the identified EntityInstances and MUST contain a number of elements equal to the length of the columnNames list. Each of the elements of the values list MUST be encoded according to [\[XML10\]](#).

Each sub list MUST have the following structure:

The value of the first element of the sub list MUST be the encoded data values of the **EntityInstance Identifiers** corresponding to the **EntityInstance**. The format of the encoded data values of the **EntityInstance Identifiers** MUST be the encoded data values of the **EntityInstance Identifiers**. The data values of the **EntityInstance Identifiers** MUST be encoded according to the following scheme:

- The first character MUST be an underscore (_).
- The second character MUST be an underscore (_).
- The next character MUST be in the range "b" through "z". This character MUST correspond to the number of data values of **EntityInstance Identifiers** that are encoded in this input. If the number of encoded data values of **EntityInstance Identifiers** is 1, this character MUST be "b". If the number of encoded data values of **EntityInstance Identifiers** is 2, this character MUST be "c". Larger numbers of encoded data values of **EntityInstance Identifiers** MUST be similarly encoded in an upwards increasing manner, with "z" corresponding to 25 encoded data values of

EntityInstance Identifiers. The number of encoded data values of **EntityInstance Identifiers** MUST be less than or equal to 25.

- The remaining characters MUST be encoded as follows:
 - The list of characters MUST be the concatenation of the encodings of each individual data value of the **EntityInstance Identifier**. Each individual data value of an **EntityInstance Identifier** MUST be encoded as a series of characters, in the manner described in the following.
 - If the data value of the **EntityInstance Identifier** is NULL, the first character MUST be 'p'. Otherwise, the first character MUST indicate the CLR type of the data value of the **EntityInstance Identifier**. The CLR type of the data value of the **EntityInstance Identifier** MUST be equal to one of the values in the first column of the following table. The first character MUST be the character in the same row as the CLR type of the data value of the **EntityInstance Identifier**.

CLR type of the data value of the EntityInstance Identifier	Corresponding encoding character
System.Boolean	a
System.Byte	b
System.DateTime	c
System.Decimal	d
System.Double	e
System.Int16	f
System.Int32	g
System.Int64	h
System.SByte	i
System.Single	j
System.String	k
System.UInt16	l
System.UInt32	m
System.UInt64	n
System.Guid	o
System.Char	p
System.TimeSpan	q

- The remaining characters of this encoded data value of the **EntityInstance Identifier** MUST represent a hexadecimal-encoded representation of the serialized representation of each data value of the **EntityInstance Identifier**, as follows:
 - The serialized representation of the data value of the **EntityInstance Identifier** MUST be represented as follows:

- If the data value of the **EntityInstance Identifier** is NULL, the serialized representation MUST be "null"
- If the CLR type of the data value of the **EntityInstance Identifier** is **System.DateTime**, the serialized representation MUST be the string representation of the Ticks represented by the data value of the **EntityInstance Identifier**. The **Ticks** represented by a value of CLR type **System.DateTime** MUST be the number of 100-nanosecond intervals that have elapsed since 12:00:00 midnight, January 1, 0001.
- If the data value of the **EntityInstance Identifier** is not NULL and not of CLR type **System.DateTime**, the serialized representation MUST be the CLR-provided serialization of the data value of the **EntityInstance Identifier**.
- The serialized representation of the data value of the **EntityInstance Identifier** obtained MUST then be hexadecimal-encoded as follows:
 - If the CLR type of the data value of the **EntityInstance Identifier** is "System.Guid", the serialized representation MUST be encoded as follows:
 - The first four characters MUST be the hexadecimal encoding of the integer that represents the string length of the serialized representation of the data value of the **EntityInstance Identifier**. The integer MUST be hexadecimal-encoded according to the same rules as if it were a character (see the following).
 - The remaining characters MUST be the string representation of the data value of the **EntityInstance Identifier**.
 - If the CLR type of the data value of the **EntityInstance Identifier** is not System.Guid, the serialization representation MUST be hexadecimal-encoded as follows:
 - The first four characters MUST be the hexadecimal encoding of the integer that represents the string length of the serialized representation of the data value of the **EntityInstance Identifier**, multiplied by 4.
 - The remaining characters MUST be the hexadecimal encoding of the serialization. Each group of four characters MUST represent the hexadecimal encoding of a single character in the serialized representation. Each single character MUST be hexadecimal-encoded as detailed in what follows.
- The hexadecimal encoding of a single character MUST be represented as follows:
 - The character MUST be represented by four characters in the hexadecimal encoded representation of the **ASCII** value of the character. These characters MUST be obtained as indicated here.
 - The first character MUST correspond to the lowest-order four bits in the two-byte representation of the unencoded character. The correspondence MUST be obtained according to the following table.
 - The second character MUST correspond to the second-lowest-order four bits in the two-byte representation of the unencoded character. The correspondence MUST be obtained according to the following table.
 - The third character MUST correspond to the third-lowest-order four bits in the two-byte representation of the unencoded character. The correspondence MUST be obtained according to the following table.

- The fourth character MUST correspond to the fourth lowest-order (that is, the highest-order) four bits in the two-byte representation of the unencoded character. The correspondence MUST be obtained according to the following table.

Value to be encoded	Corresponding encoding character
0	0
1	1
2	2
3	3
4	4
5	5
6	6
7	7
8	8
9	9
10	a
11	b
12	c
13	d
14	e
15	f

- As an example, if the input to be specified consists of two data values corresponding to two **EntityInstance Identifiers**, first of CLR type System.Int32 and value 4, second of CLR type System.String, with a value of "ab", the corresponding encoded **EntityInstance Identifiers** would have the following value: __cg40004300k800016002600

The value of the second element of the sub list MUST be the serialized reference to the **EntityInstance**. The format of the reference to the **EntityInstance** MUST be the same as that of the bstrEntityInstanceId input to the DecodeEntityInstanceId operation.

The value of the third element of the sub list MUST be the display name value identified for the **EntityInstance**.

The values of the remaining elements of the sub list MUST be the serialized values of the **Fields** of the **EntityInstance**.

hasEntityMetadata: If the specified Entity can be found in the **metadata store**, the protocol server MUST set this value to **true**. Otherwise, the protocol server MUST set this value to false. The value MUST be present.

message: Contains errors or warnings resulting from the process of resolving or searching for the **EntityInstances** according to the provided input, if any. The message MUST be encoded as specified in [\[XML10\]](#).

success: true if the operation finished without any unexpected errors; **false** otherwise. This value MUST be present.

3.1.4.2.3 Complex Types

The following table summarizes the XML schema complex type definitions that are specific to this operation.

Complex type	Description
ArrayOfBoolean	An ordered list of Boolean values.

3.1.4.2.3.1 ArrayOfBoolean

An ordered list of Boolean values.

```
<xs:complexType name="ArrayOfBoolean">
  <xs:sequence>
    <xs:element minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="unbounded" name="boolean" type="xs:boolean"/>
  </xs:sequence>
</xs:complexType>
```

boolean: A Boolean value.

3.1.4.3 ReadEntityInstance

This operation is used to retrieve the data values of the EntityInstance Identifiers and the display name value of the **EntityInstance** identified by the input criteria.

This operation is defined as follows.

```
<wsdl:operation name="ReadEntityInstance">
  <wsdl:input wsam:Action="http://tempuri.org/IResolverPickerService/ReadEntityInstance"
  message="tns:IResolverPickerService_ReadEntityInstance_InputMessage"/>
  <wsdl:output
  wsam:Action="http://tempuri.org/IResolverPickerService/ReadEntityInstanceResponse"
  message="tns:IResolverPickerService_ReadEntityInstance_OutputMessage"/>
</wsdl:operation>
```

The input criteria for this operation are the reference to the EntityInstance and the name of display Field.

The protocol client sends an **IResolverPickerService_ReadEntityInstance_InputMessage** request message and the protocol server responds with an **IResolverPickerService_ReadEntityInstance_OutputMessage** response message, as follows:

- The caller of this operation MUST specify:
 - The reference to the **EntityInstance** which is to be retrieved.

- The name of a **Field** of the **EntityInstance** whose value is to be retrieved as the display name value.
- If the referenced **EntityInstance** is found, the protocol server MUST return the data values of the **EntityInstance** Identifiers corresponding to the identified **EntityInstance** and MUST return the success status set to true.
- If the referenced **EntityInstance** is not found, the protocol server MUST return an empty array of data values of the **EntityInstance Identifiers** and the success status set to true

This operation MUST return [ReadEntityInstanceResponse](#).

If any unexpected error condition is met, the protocol server MUST respond with a SOAP fault, which MUST comply with the SOAP fault specification in section 4.4 of [\[SOAP1.1\]](#). The **faultcode** MUST be set to **InternalServiceFault**. The **faultstring** MUST be set to an implementation specific string indicating that an error has occurred.

3.1.4.3.1 Messages

The following table summarizes the set of WSDL message definitions that are specific to this operation.

Message	Description
IResolverPickerService_ReadEntityInstance_InputMessage	The requested WSDL message for a ReadEntityInstance WSDL operation.
IResolverPickerService_ReadEntityInstance_OutputMessage	The response WSDL message for a ReadEntityInstance method.

3.1.4.3.1.1 IResolverPickerService_ReadEntityInstance_InputMessage

The requested WSDL message for a **ReadEntityInstance** WSDL operation.

The SOAP action value is:

```
http://tempuri.org/IResolverPickerService/ReadEntityInstance
```

The SOAP body contains a **ReadEntityInstance** element.

3.1.4.3.1.2 IResolverPickerService_ReadEntityInstance_OutputMessage

The response WSDL message for a **ReadEntityInstance** method.

The SOAP action value is:

```
http://tempuri.org/IResolverPickerService/ReadEntityInstanceResponse
```

The SOAP body contains a **ReadEntityInstanceResponse** element.

3.1.4.3.2 Elements

The following table summarizes the XML schema element definitions that are specific to this operation.

Element	Description
ReadEntityInstance	The input data for a ReadEntityInstance WSDL operation.
ReadEntityInstanceResponse	The result data for a ReadEntityInstance WSDL operation.

3.1.4.3.2.1 ReadEntityInstance

The input data for a **ReadEntityInstance** WSDL operation.

```
<xs:element name="ReadEntityInstance">
  <xs:complexType>
    <xs:sequence>
      <xs:element minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="1" name="siteId" type="xs:string"/>
      <xs:element minOccurs="1" maxOccurs="1" name="entityInstanceReference"
type="xs:string"/>
      <xs:element minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="1" name="displayFieldName" type="xs:string"/>
      <xs:element minOccurs="1" maxOccurs="1" name="fFormatAsXml" type="xs:boolean"/>
    </xs:sequence>
  </xs:complexType>
</xs:element>
```

siteId: MUST be ignored by the protocol server.

entityInstanceReference: The serialized reference to the **EntityInstance**. The value MUST be present. The format of the reference to the **EntityInstance** MUST be the same as that of the **bstrEntityInstanceId** input to the **DecodeEntityInstanceId** operation.

displayFieldName: The location, within the **EntityInstance**, from where to obtain the suggested value to be used when displaying the **EntityInstance** in the UI presented to the user by the protocol client. The value MUST be specified in the format detailed in the description of the **displayFieldName** element of **GetEntityInstances** (section [3.1.4.2.2.1](#)).

fFormatAsXml: Flag indicating whether returned **EntityInstance** Identifiers of CLR type "System.DateTime", if any, should be formatted according to **CLR** serialization rules or according to [\[ISO-8601\]](#). The value MUST be present.

- If **fFormatAsXml** is **true**, any returned **EntityInstance Identifiers** of CLR type "System.DateTime" MUST be represented according to the extended format described in [\[ISO-8601\]](#).
- If **fFormatAsXml** is **false**, any returned **EntityInstance Identifiers** of CLR type "System.DateTime" MUST be encoded as the string representation of the **Ticks** represented by the data value of the **EntityInstance Identifier**. The **Ticks** represented by a value of CLR type "System.DateTime" MUST be the number of 100-nanosecond intervals that have elapsed since 12:00:00 midnight, January 1, 0001.

3.1.4.3.2.2 ReadEntityInstanceResponse

The result data for a **ReadEntityInstance** WSDL operation.

```

<xs:element name="ReadEntityInstanceResponse">
  <xs:complexType>
    <xs:sequence>
      <xs:element minOccurs="1" maxOccurs="1" name="ReadEntityInstanceResult"
type="xs:boolean"/>
      <xs:element minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="1" name="ids" type="tns:ArrayOfString"/>
      <xs:element minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="1" name="displayName" type="xs:string"/>
      <xs:element minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="1" name="message" type="xs:string"/>
      <xs:element minOccurs="1" maxOccurs="1" name="success" type="xs:boolean"/>
    </xs:sequence>
  </xs:complexType>
</xs:element>

```

ReadEntityInstanceResult: MUST be set to **true** if an EntityInstance was identified based on the provided input.

ids: The list of serialized data values of the **EntityInstance** Identifiers corresponding to the retrieved **EntityInstance**. Each serialized data value of a **EntityInstance Identifier** MUST be encoded according to [\[XML10\]](#).

displayName: The display name corresponding to the retrieved **EntityInstance**. The value MUST be identified in the manner detailed in the description of the third element of the sub list contained in the values element of [GetEntityInstancesResponse](#). The value MUST be encoded according to [\[XML10\]](#).

message: Contains errors or warnings regarding the process of reading the **EntityInstance** according to the provided input, if any. The message MUST be encoded as specified in [\[XML10\]](#).

success: A flag indicating whether the operation finished without any unexpected errors. The value MUST [<2>](#) be set to **true** if the operation finished without any unexpected errors; **false** otherwise. The value MUST be ignored by the protocol client. The value MUST be present.

3.1.5 Timer Events

None.

3.1.6 Other Local Events

None.

4 Protocol Examples

This section provides specific example scenarios that illustrate the usage of the External Content Type Picker Web Service. The web service was designed to support the operations of the External Content Type Picker Control, which allows Microsoft Office users to pick or resolve EntityInstances. The picking scenario enables a user to perform a search to find and select an **EntityInstance** (GetEntityInstances) while the resolving scenario enables users to type a known key and resolve to get the desired **EntityInstance** (ReadEntityInstance).

The examples in this section use the following sample data. There is an Entity named "Customer" with fields (4) **CustomerID** and **CustomerName**. There are three **EntityInstances** available in the backend: Contoso with **CustomerID** 1 and **CustomerName** "Contoso", Fabrikam with **CustomerID** 2 and **CustomerName** "Fabrikam", Northwind with **CustomerID** 3 and **CustomerName** "Northwind".

Also, the Customer **Entity** has LobSystemInstance "ContosoCustomers" and **Entity** namespace http://www.contoso.com.

4.1 Getting Entity Instances

To get a set of EntityInstances for a given search token, protocol client **MUST** construct the following SOAP message:

```
<s:Envelope xmlns:s="http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/soap/envelope/">
  <s:Body>
    <GetEntityInstances xmlns="http://tempuri.org/"
      xmlns:i="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance">
      <systemInstanceName>ContosoCustomers</systemInstanceName>
      <entityNamespace>http://www.contoso.com </entityNamespace>
      <entityName>Customer</entityName>
      <displayFieldName>CustomerName</displayFieldName>
      <searchToken/>
      <usedForPicking>true</usedForPicking>
      <maxResults>500</maxResults>
      <refreshInterval/>
    </GetEntityInstances>
  </s:Body>
</s:Envelope>
```

The protocol server then responds with the following:

```
<s:Envelope xmlns:s="http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/soap/envelope/">
  <s:Body xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance"
    xmlns:xsd="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema"><GetEntityInstancesResponse
      xmlns="http://tempuri.org/">
    <GetEntityInstancesResult>3</GetEntityInstancesResult>
    <columnNames>
      <string>__identities</string>
      <string>__entityInstanceReference</string>
      <string>__displayName</string>
      <string>CustomerID</string>
      <string>CustomerName</string>
    </columnNames>
    <showInPicker>
      <boolean>>false</boolean>
      <boolean>>false</boolean>
    </showInPicker>
  </s:Body>
</s:Envelope>
```

```

    <boolean>>false</boolean>
    <boolean>>true</boolean>
    <boolean>>true</boolean>
  </showInPicker>
  <values>
    <string>__bg40001300</string>
    <string>22:http://www.contoso.com8:Customer16:CustomerRead
Item16:ContosoCustomersiAQAAAA==</string>
    <string>Contoso</string>
    <string>1</string>
    <string>Contoso</string>
    <string>__bg40002300</string>
    <string>22:http://www.contoso.com8:Customer16:CustomerRead
Item16:ContosoCustomersiAQBBB==</string>
    <string>Fabrikam</string>
    <string>2</string>
    <string>Fabrikam</string>
    <string>__bg40003300</string>
    <string>22:http://www.contoso.com8:Customer16:CustomerRead
Item16:ContosoCustomersiAQACC==</string>
    <string>Northwind</string>
    <string>1</string>
    <string>Northwind</string>
  </values>
  <hasEntityMetadata>true</hasEntityMetadata>
  <message>Search criteria cannot be met as filters are not defined for the
Query. Contact your system administrator.</message>
  <success>true</success>
</GetEntityInstancesResponse>
</s:Body>
</s:Envelope>

```

4.2 Reading an Entity Instance

To read an EntityInstance, for example, when an instance needs to be resolved, the protocol client MUST construct the following SOAP message. In this example the reference to the **EntityInstance** is 22:http://www.contoso.com8:Customer16:CustomerRead Item16:ContosoCustomersiAQBBB==, so the protocol server MUST return the "Fabrikam" customer.

```

<s:Envelope xmlns:s="http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/soap/envelope/">
  <s:Body>
    <ReadEntityInstance xmlns="http://tempuri.org/"
xmlns:i="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance">
      <entityInstanceReference>22:http://www.contoso.com8:Customer16:CustomerRead
Item16:ContosoCustomersiAQBBB==</entityInstanceReference>
      <displayName>CustomerName</displayName>
      <fFormatAsXml>false</fFormatAsXml>
    </ReadEntityInstance></s:Body></s:Envelope>

```

The protocol server then responds with the Identifiers and display names:

```

<s:Envelope xmlns:s="http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/soap/envelope/"><s:Body
xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance"
xmlns:xsd="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema">
  <ReadEntityInstanceResponse xmlns="http://tempuri.org/">
    <ReadEntityInstanceResult>true</ReadEntityInstanceResult>

```

```
<ids>
  <string>2</string>
</ids>
<displayName>Fabrikam</displayName>
<success>true</success>
</ReadEntityInstanceResponse></s:Body></s:Envelope>
```

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5 Security

5.1 Security Considerations for Implementers

This protocol introduces no additional security considerations beyond those applicable to its underlying protocols.

5.2 Index of Security Parameters

None.

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6 Appendix A: Full WSDL

For ease of implementation, the full WSDL and schema are provided in this appendix.

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="utf-8"?>
<wsdl:definitions name="IResolverPickerService" targetNamespace="http://tempuri.org/"
xmlns:wsdl="http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/wsdl/"
xmlns:wsam="http://www.w3.org/2007/05/addressing/metadata" xmlns:tns="http://tempuri.org/"
xmlns:soap="http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/wsdl/soap/" xmlns:xsd=http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema
<wsdl:types>
  <xs:schema elementFormDefault="qualified" targetNamespace="http://tempuri.org/"
xmlns:xs="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema">
    <xs:element name="GetEntityInstances">
      <xs:complexType>
        <xs:sequence>
          <xs:element minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="1" name="siteId" type="xs:string"/>
          <xs:element minOccurs="1" maxOccurs="1" name="systemInstanceName"
type="xs:string"/>
          <xs:element minOccurs="1" maxOccurs="1" name="entityNamespace" type="xs:string"/>
          <xs:element minOccurs="1" maxOccurs="1" name="entityName" type="xs:string"/>
          <xs:element minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="1" name="finderName" type="xs:string"/>
          <xs:element minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="1" name="displayFieldName"
type="xs:string"/>
          <xs:element minOccurs="1" maxOccurs="1" name="searchToken" type="xs:string"/>
          <xs:element minOccurs="1" maxOccurs="1" name="usedForPicking" type="xs:boolean"/>
          <xs:element minOccurs="1" maxOccurs="1" name="maxResults" type="xs:unsignedInt"/>
          <xs:element minOccurs="1" maxOccurs="1" name="refreshInterval"
type="xs:unsignedInt"/>
        </xs:sequence>
      </xs:complexType>
    </xs:element>
    <xs:element name="GetEntityInstancesResponse">
      <xs:complexType>
        <xs:sequence>
          <xs:element minOccurs="1" maxOccurs="1" name="GetEntityInstancesResult"
type="xs:unsignedInt"/>
          <xs:element minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="1" name="columnNames"
type="tns:ArrayOfString"/>
          <xs:element minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="1" name="localizedColumnNames"
type="tns:ArrayOfString"/>
          <xs:element minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="1" name="showInPicker"
type="tns:ArrayOfBoolean"/>
          <xs:element minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="1" name="values" type="tns:ArrayOfString"/>
          <xs:element minOccurs="1" maxOccurs="1" name="hasEntityMetadata"
type="xs:boolean"/>
          <xs:element minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="1" name="message" type="xs:string"/>
          <xs:element minOccurs="1" maxOccurs="1" name="success" type="xs:boolean"/>
        </xs:sequence>
      </xs:complexType>
    </xs:element>
    <xs:complexType name="ArrayOfString">
      <xs:sequence>
        <xs:element minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="unbounded" name="string" nillable="true"
type="xs:string"/>
      </xs:sequence>
    </xs:complexType>
    <xs:complexType name="ArrayOfBoolean">
      <xs:sequence>
        <xs:element minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="unbounded" name="boolean" type="xs:boolean"/>
      </xs:sequence>
    </xs:complexType>
  </xs:schema>
</wsdl:types>
```

```

    </xs:sequence>
  </xs:complexType>
  <xs:element name="DecodeEntityInstanceId">
    <xs:complexType>
      <xs:sequence>
        <xs:element minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="1" name="bstrSiteId" type="xs:string"/>
        <xs:element minOccurs="1" maxOccurs="1" name="bstrEntityInstanceId"
type="xs:string"/>
        <xs:element minOccurs="1" maxOccurs="1" name="fFormatAsXml" type="xs:boolean"/>
      </xs:sequence>
    </xs:complexType>
  </xs:element>
  <xs:element name="DecodeEntityInstanceIdResponse">
    <xs:complexType>
      <xs:sequence>
        <xs:element minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="1" name="DecodeEntityInstanceIdResult"
type="tns:ArrayOfString"/>
        <xs:element minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="1" name="message" type="xs:string"/>
        <xs:element minOccurs="1" maxOccurs="1" name="success" type="xs:boolean"/>
      </xs:sequence>
    </xs:complexType>
  </xs:element>
  <xs:element name="ReadEntityInstance">
    <xs:complexType>
      <xs:sequence>
        <xs:element minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="1" name="siteId" type="xs:string"/>
        <xs:element minOccurs="1" maxOccurs="1" name="entityInstanceReference"
type="xs:string"/>
        <xs:element minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="1" name="displayFieldName"
type="xs:string"/>
        <xs:element minOccurs="1" maxOccurs="1" name="fFormatAsXml" type="xs:boolean"/>
      </xs:sequence>
    </xs:complexType>
  </xs:element>
  <xs:element name="ReadEntityInstanceResponse">
    <xs:complexType>
      <xs:sequence>
        <xs:element minOccurs="1" maxOccurs="1" name="ReadEntityInstanceResult"
type="xs:boolean"/>
        <xs:element minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="1" name="ids" type="tns:ArrayOfString"/>
        <xs:element minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="1" name="displayName" type="xs:string"/>
        <xs:element minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="1" name="message" type="xs:string"/>
        <xs:element minOccurs="1" maxOccurs="1" name="success" type="xs:boolean"/>
      </xs:sequence>
    </xs:complexType>
  </xs:element>
</xs:schema>
</wsdl:types>
<wsdl:message name="IResolverPickerService_GetEntityInstances_InputMessage">
  <wsdl:part name="parameters" element="tns:GetEntityInstances"/>
</wsdl:message>
<wsdl:message name="IResolverPickerService_GetEntityInstances_OutputMessage">
  <wsdl:part name="parameters" element="tns:GetEntityInstancesResponse"/>
</wsdl:message>
<wsdl:message name="IResolverPickerService_DecodeEntityInstanceId_InputMessage">
  <wsdl:part name="parameters" element="tns:DecodeEntityInstanceId"/>
</wsdl:message>
<wsdl:message name="IResolverPickerService_DecodeEntityInstanceId_OutputMessage">
  <wsdl:part name="parameters" element="tns:DecodeEntityInstanceIdResponse"/>

```

```

</wsdl:message>
<wsdl:message name="IResolverPickerService_ReadEntityInstance_InputMessage">
  <wsdl:part name="parameters" element="tns:ReadEntityInstance"/>
</wsdl:message>
<wsdl:message name="IResolverPickerService_ReadEntityInstance_OutputMessage">
  <wsdl:part name="parameters" element="tns:ReadEntityInstanceResponse"/>
</wsdl:message>
<wsdl:portType name="IResolverPickerService">
  <wsdl:operation name="GetEntityInstances">
    <wsdl:input wsam:Action="http://tempuri.org/IResolverPickerService/GetEntityInstances"
message="tns:IResolverPickerService_GetEntityInstances_InputMessage"/>
    <wsdl:output
wsam:Action="http://tempuri.org/IResolverPickerService/GetEntityInstancesResponse"
message="tns:IResolverPickerService_GetEntityInstances_OutputMessage"/>
  </wsdl:operation>
  <wsdl:operation name="DecodeEntityInstanceId">
    <wsdl:input
wsam:Action="http://tempuri.org/IResolverPickerService/DecodeEntityInstanceId"
message="tns:IResolverPickerService_DecodeEntityInstanceId_InputMessage"/>
    <wsdl:output
wsam:Action="http://tempuri.org/IResolverPickerService/DecodeEntityInstanceIdResponse"
message="tns:IResolverPickerService_DecodeEntityInstanceId_OutputMessage"/>
  </wsdl:operation>
  <wsdl:operation name="ReadEntityInstance">
    <wsdl:input wsam:Action="http://tempuri.org/IResolverPickerService/ReadEntityInstance"
message="tns:IResolverPickerService_ReadEntityInstance_InputMessage"/>
    <wsdl:output
wsam:Action="http://tempuri.org/IResolverPickerService/ReadEntityInstanceResponse"
message="tns:IResolverPickerService_ReadEntityInstance_OutputMessage"/>
  </wsdl:operation>
</wsdl:portType>
<wsdl:binding name="CustomBinding_IResolverPickerService"
type="tns:IResolverPickerService">
  <soap:binding transport="http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/soap/http" />
  <wsdl:operation name="GetEntityInstances">
    <soap:operation
soapAction="http://tempuri.org/IResolverPickerService/GetEntityInstances" style="document" />
    <wsdl:input>
      <soap:body use="literal" />
    </wsdl:input>
    <wsdl:output>
      <soap:body use="literal" />
    </wsdl:output>
  </wsdl:operation>
  <wsdl:operation name="DecodeEntityInstanceId">
    <soap:operation
soapAction="http://tempuri.org/IResolverPickerService/DecodeEntityInstanceId"
style="document" />
    <wsdl:input>
      <soap:body use="literal" />
    </wsdl:input>
    <wsdl:output>
      <soap:body use="literal" />
    </wsdl:output>
  </wsdl:operation>
  <wsdl:operation name="ReadEntityInstance">
    <soap:operation
soapAction="http://tempuri.org/IResolverPickerService/ReadEntityInstance" style="document" />
    <wsdl:input>
      <soap:body use="literal" />
    </wsdl:input>
  </wsdl:operation>

```

```
</wsdl:input>
<wsdl:output>
  <soap:body use="literal" />
</wsdl:output>
</wsdl:operation>
</wsdl:binding>
</wsdl:definitions>
```

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7 Appendix B: Product Behavior

The information in this specification is applicable to the following Microsoft products or supplemental software. References to product versions include released service packs:

- Microsoft® SharePoint® Workspace 2010
- Microsoft® Office 2010 suites
- Microsoft® SharePoint® Server 2010
- Microsoft® Office 15 Technical Preview
- Microsoft® SharePoint® Server 15 Technical Preview

Exceptions, if any, are noted below. If a service pack or Quick Fix Engineering (QFE) number appears with the product version, behavior changed in that service pack or QFE. The new behavior also applies to subsequent service packs of the product unless otherwise specified. If a product edition appears with the product version, behavior is different in that product edition.

Unless otherwise specified, any statement of optional behavior in this specification that is prescribed using the terms SHOULD or SHOULD NOT implies product behavior in accordance with the SHOULD or SHOULD NOT prescription. Unless otherwise specified, the term MAY implies that the product does not follow the prescription.

[<1> Section 3.1.4.1.2.2:](#) SharePoint Server 2010 always sets the value to false for this operation.

[<2> Section 3.1.4.3.2.2:](#) SharePoint Server 2010 always sets the value to false for this operation.

8 Change Tracking

This section identifies changes that were made to the [MS-ECTPWPS] protocol document between the June 2011 and January 2012 releases. Changes are classified as New, Major, Minor, Editorial, or No change.

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- New content added.
- Content updated.
- Content removed.
- New product behavior note added.
- Product behavior note updated.
- Product behavior note removed.
- New protocol syntax added.
- Protocol syntax updated.
- Protocol syntax removed.
- New content added due to protocol revision.
- Content updated due to protocol revision.
- Content removed due to protocol revision.
- New protocol syntax added due to protocol revision.

- Protocol syntax updated due to protocol revision.
- Protocol syntax removed due to protocol revision.
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- Content updated for template compliance.
- Content removed for template compliance.
- Obsolete document removed.

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The changes made to this document are listed in the following table. For more information, please contact protocol@microsoft.com.

Section	Tracking number (if applicable) and description	Major change (Y or N)	Change type
1 Introduction	Stated that sections 1.8, 2, and 3 of this specification are normative and contain RFC 2119 language. Sections 1.5 and 1.9 are also normative but cannot contain RFC 2119 language.	N	New content added.
1 Introduction	Stated that all sections and examples in this specification, other than sections 1.8, 2, 3, 1.5, and 1.9, are informative.	N	New content added.
1.1 Glossary	Added the glossary terms "base64 encoding", "Web Services Description Language (WSDL)", and "XML schema".	N	New content added.
3.1.4.2.2 GetEntityInstancesResponse	Added specifications for the values element regarding the value of the second element, third element, and remaining elements of the sublist,	N	New content added.
Z Appendix B: Product Behavior	Added Microsoft® Office 15 Technical Preview and Microsoft® SharePoint® Server 15 Technical Preview to the list of applicable product versions.	N	New content added.

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