

License Exception for Transient Dependency with MPL License

We need the exception for one of the components which is a transient dependency for Nephio. Because this component is MPL 2.0 licensed which is a copyleft license. However MPL is the least restrictive copy left license, in other words most friendly copyleft license. We spoke to LF and they recommended this process for getting the exception from TSC. Component details: Component : github.com/hashicorp/go-version version : 1.2.1

License : <https://github.com/hashicorp/go-version/blob/main/LICENSE> I am bringing this up now because we do not have the luxury of time to wait till the next TSC meeting. Hence please take a look at it and the process of giving the exception. I have also posted this message in slack.

How CNCF manages it :

I did a bit of research on the policy adopted by CNCF for k8s and found this information. This is for your reference. <https://github.com/cncf/foundation/tree/main/license-exceptions>

These are the allowed licenses

<https://github.com/cncf/foundation/blob/main/allowed-third-party-license-policy.md#cncf-allowlist-license-policy> They made certain exceptions
<https://github.com/cncf/foundation/blob/main/license-exceptions/cncf-exceptions-2019-11-01.json>

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