

RFC 220 Bundle Annotations

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Abstract

In the light of the enRoute project bnd pioneered the use of build time annotations to generate manifest headers.

The use of annotations makes it easier to manage manifest headers per component, significantly minimizes errors, and leverages the Java type system to provide content assist in IDEs.



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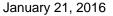
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		BJ Hargrave
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		BJ Hargrave

1 Introduction

This RFC is in response to RFP 167 Manifest Annotations. The OSGi enRoute project used annotations to define bundle metadata in source code. Bnd then processes the annotations into manifest headers.





This RFC will define OSGi standard annotations in support of those ideas.

2 Application Domain

Bnd/Bndtools provides a tool chain to build bundles and/or OSGi manifests used in most OSGi builds. It is supported in Maven, Gradle, Ant, SBT, etc. Bnd uses information in the class files to create a number of headers in the manifest.

Though the class files contain enough information to find the code dependencies, there are many dependencies that are indirect. For example, extenders are often a requirement to make a bundle function correctly but often have no code dependency between their clients whatsoever. Declarative Services (DS) went out of its way to allow components to be Plain Old Java Objects. The result is that the resolving a closure would not drag in the Declarative Services resulting in a satisfied but rather useless closure.

One of the goals of the enRoute project is to rely on Java and not escape to strings. The Java language is a rather steep cost from the point of view of coding but the type engine makes this cost-effective especially since it enables the IDE to assist the developers. However, when information then gets encoded in strings the advantages are voided and what is left is the cost.

Over the past few years a number of annotations were developed to control the creation of bundle resources. The most popular are the Declarative Services annotations and Metatype annotations. Over time these annotations have made it into the OSGi specifications. The OSGi enRoute project decided to develop a number of *manifest annotations*, annotations whose sole purpose is to generate the manifest headers.

Since the manifest headers for requirements and capabilities are error prone to use, the OSGi enRoute project added manifest annotations for the Require-Capability and Provide-Capability headers to bnd:

- @RequireCapability(ns,effective,filter,resolution)
- @ProvideCapability(ns,name,effective,version,uses,mandatory)

These annotations can be applied to a type or any other annotation. If applied to a type then the annotation's requirement or capability will be added to the manifest. If applied to an annotation then this annotation is a *customized annotation*. Nothing happens until the annotated annotation is used. When this annotation is applied somewhere, bnd will automatically add the requirement or capability to the manifest.

For example:



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By itself the previous snippet is only a declaration, no actual requirement is added to the manifest. However, if the <code>@RequireConfigurer</code> annotation is used to annotate a type that is included in the bundle then the requirement is actually added to the manifest.

The annotations generate proper headers with any duplicates removed. All text fields of the annotations are also run through the macro preprocessor. One of the macros that was added specifically for this purpose was the \$ {frange; <version>}, this macro created a version range in OSGi filter syntax. However, all bnd macros were available which then also provides access to the local package-info.

3 Problem Description

Entering manifest headers is error prone since these headers are complex and singletons. Because they are singletons, there is only one place where they can be entered. This is in contrast with the promoted component model. Components should be cheap and easy to rename or move between bundles. If a component is moved from one bundle to another bundle, it is easy to also move its corresponding headers from the manifest. This can cause orphaned headers or missing headers either in the old bundle or the new bundle. The old bundle can miss the header because multiple components were depending on that header but it was mistakingly removed.

The other problem is that these headers are notoriously hard to write, it often takes several trials to get all the parts of the requirements correct.

4 Requirements

- G0010 It must be possible to provide the content of manifest headers through manifest annotations.
- G0020 The following headers must be supported by dedicated annotations:
 - Provide-Capability
 - Require-Capability
- G0030 It must be possible to enter a clause for a specific header through an annotation
- G0040 It must be possible to create customized annotations for specific requirements. This can be done via a meta-annotation which can be used to define other custom annotations.





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- G0060 Generated headers must be valid OSGi or generate an error
- G0070 The annotations must use enums and other Java constructs to enable type safety and IDE support
- G0080 Duplicate clauses must be removed in the manifest
- G0100 The solution must simplify the writing of a version import filter in a requirement.
- G0110 DS and Metatype annotations must be retrofitted to use the meta-annotation from G0040.
- G0120 The solution must include a package annotation for marking a package to be exported. The annotation must support specifying directives (e.g. mandatory, include, exclude) and attributes. The package version must come from the existing Version annotation.

5 Technical Solution

A new package, org.osgi.annotation.bundle, is defined containing new annotations for defining OSGi bundle metadata. These annotations are CLASS retention annotations to be processed by bundle assembly tools like Bnd.

5.1 General

When annotations support being applied to other annotations, so called meta-annotations, bundle assembly tools must look for the use of annotations which are meta annotated. This allows, for example, the DS Component annotation to be meta-annotated with a Requirement annotation for the osgi.component extender. So the use of the Component annotation by code in a bundle must then result in the bundle having a requirement on the osgi.component extender.

When annotations support Repeatable, bundle assembly tools must support the annotation container annotation holding the repeated annotation.

Bundle assembly tools must detect duplicate header information and remove duplicates. This is especially important given the support for meta-annotations. For example, there can be many DS components all annotated with Component which itself is meta-annotated with a Requirement for the osgi.component extender.

Since manifest headers only appear once in the manifest, bundle assembly tools must collect up all clauses for a specific manifest header separating the values with commas. For example, there can be multiple packages annotation with Export.

For OSGi specified manifest headers, the bundle assembly tool must check that the resulting manifest header is valid.



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5.2 Export

An Export annotation is defined which can be applied to a package. The version of the package is taken from the Version annotation on the package. Other information regarding the package can be specified in the Export annotation including how the exported package should be substitutably imported.

5.3 Capability

A Capability annotation is defined to express a capability for a bundle. This annotation can be used as a metaannotation and also applied to a package or class. This annotation supports Repeatable using the Capabilities container annotation.

A Capability annotation must specify the namespace of the capability. Other information regarding the capability can be specified including version, attributes and the uses and effective directive values.

5.4 Requirement

A Requirement annotation is defined to express a requirement for a bundle. This annotation can be used as a meta-annotation and also applied to a package or class. This annotation supports Repeatable using the Requirements container annotation.

A Requirement annotation must specify the namespace of the requirement. Other information regarding the requirement can be specified including filter and the effective, cardinality and resolution directive values.

5.5 Header

A Header annotation is defined to express a header for a bundle. This annotation can be used as a metaannotation and also applied to a package or class. This annotation supports Repeatable using the Headers container annotation.

A Header annotation must specify the header name and value.

5.6 Directive and Attribute

Directive and Attribute annotations are defined which can be used when using Requirement and Capability as meta annotations. These annotations mark the annotated element as a directive or attribute of the generated requirement or capability.

For example:

```
@Requirement(namespace = "foo")
public @interface MyRequirement {
    @Attribute("foo")
    String value();
}
@MyRequirement("bar")
public class MyClass {}
```

This will result in the attribute foo=bar on the generated requirement.



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Package org.osgi.annotation.bundle

@org.osgi.annotation.versioning.Version(value="1.0")

OSGi Bundle Annotations Package Version 1.0.

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Package org.osgi.annotation.bundle Description

OSGi Bundle Annotations Package Version 1.0.

This package is not used at runtime.

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Annotation Type Attribute

org.osgi.annotation.bundle

```
@Documented
@Retention(value=RetentionPolicy.CLASS)
@Target(value=ElementType.METHOD)
public @interface Attribute
```

Mark an annotation element as an attribute.

This is used when applying <u>Capability</u> or <u>Requirement</u> as a meta annotation to an annotation declaration. The value of the annotation element annotated with <u>Attribute</u> is used as the value of an attribute in the generated capability or requirement clause. For example:

```
@Capability(namespace = "my.namespace")
public @interface MyCapability {
    @Attribute("attr")
    String value();
}
@MyCapability("foo")
public MyClass {}
```

The use of the MyCapability annotation, which is meta annotated with the Capability and Attribute annotations, will result in a capability in the namespace my.namespace with the attribute attr=foo.

This annotation is not retained at runtime. It is for use by tools to generate bundle manifests.

Require	d Element Summary	Pag e
String	<u>value</u>	12
	The name of the attribute.	12

Element Detail

value

```
public abstract String value
```

The name of the attribute.

If not specified, the name of the annotated element is used as the name of the attribute.

Default:

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Annotation Type Capabilities

org.osgi.annotation.bundle

```
@Documented
@Retention(value=RetentionPolicy.CLASS)
@Target(value={
    ElementType.TYPE,
    ElementType.PACKAGE
})
public @interface Capabilities
```

Container annotation for repeated capability annotations.

Required	Element Summary	Pag e
Capability []	alue Repeated Capability annotations.	13

Element Detail

value

public abstract <u>Capability[]</u> value

Repeated Capability annotations.

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Annotation Type Capability

org.osgi.annotation.bundle

```
@Documented
@Retention(value=RetentionPolicy.CLASS)
@Target(value={
    ElementType.TYPE,
        ElementType.PACKAGE
})
@Repeatable(value=Capabilities.class)
public @interface Capability
```

Define a capability for a bundle.

For example:

```
@Capability(namespace=ExtenderNamespace.EXTENDER NAMESPACE, name="osgi.component", version="1.3.\overline{0}")
```

This annotation is not retained at runtime. It is for use by tools to generate bundle manifests or otherwise process the type or package.

Require	d Element Summary	Pag e
String[]	A list of attribute or directive names and values.	15
String	effective The effective time of this capability.	15
String	The name of this capability within the namespace.	14
String	namespace The namespace of this capability.	14
Class []	A list of classes whose packages are inspected to calculate the uses directive for this capability.	15
String	version The version of this capability.	15

Element Detail

namespace

```
public abstract String namespace
```

The namespace of this capability.

name

```
public abstract String name
```

The name of this capability within the namespace.

If specified, adds an attribute with the name of the namespace and the value of the specified name to the capability clause.

Default:

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version

public abstract String version

The version of this capability.

If specified, adds an attribute with the name and type of version: Version and the value of the specified version to the capability clause.

The specified version must be a valid OSGi version string.

Default:

uses

```
public abstract Class<?>[] uses
```

A list of classes whose packages are inspected to calculate the uses directive for this capability.

If not specified, the uses directive is omitted from the capability clause.

Default:

{}

effective

```
public abstract String effective
```

The effective time of this capability.

Specifies the time the capability is available. The OSGi framework resolver only considers capabilities without an effective directive or effective:=resolve. Capabilities with other values for the effective directive can be considered by an external agent.

If not specified, the effective directive is omitted from the capability clause.

Default:

"resolve"

attribute

```
public abstract String[] attribute
```

A list of attribute or directive names and values.

Each string should be specified in the form:

```
! "name=value" for attributes.
! "name:type=value" for typed attributes.
! "name:=value" for directives.
```

These are added, separated by semicolons, to the export package clause.

Default:

-{}

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Annotation Type Directive

org.osgi.annotation.bundle

```
@Documented
@Retention(value=RetentionPolicy.CLASS)
@Target(value=ElementType.METHOD)
public @interface Directive
```

Mark an annotation element as a directive.

This is used when applying <u>Capability</u> or <u>Requirement</u> as a meta annotation to an annotation declaration. The value of the annotation element annotated with <u>Directive</u> is used as the value of a directive in the generated capability or requirement clause. For example:

```
@Capability(namespace = "my.namespace")
public @interface MyCapability {
    @Directive("resource")
    String value();
}
@MyCapability("foo")
public MyClass {}
```

The use of the MyCapability annotation, which is meta annotated with the Capability and Directive annotations, will result in a capability in the namespace my.namespace with the directive resource:=foo.

This annotation is not retained at runtime. It is for use by tools to generate bundle manifests.

Require	d Element Summary	Pag e
String	<u>value</u>	16
	The name of the directive.	16

Element Detail

value

```
public abstract String value
```

The name of the directive.

If not specified, the name of the annotated element is used as the name of the directive.

Default:

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Annotation Type Export

org.osgi.annotation.bundle

@Documented
@Retention(value=RetentionPolicy.CLASS)
@Target(value=ElementType.PACKAGE)
public @interface Export

Mark a package to be exported from its bundle.

The package must also be annotation with the org.osgi.annotation.versioning.Version annotation to specify the export version of the package.

This annotation is not retained at runtime. It is for use by tools to generate bundle manifests or otherwise process the package.

Nested	Class Summary	Pag e
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String[]	A list of attribute or directive names and values.	17
Export.Sub stitution	substitution Specify the policy for substitutably importing this package.	18
String[]	A list of package names that are used by this package.	17

Element Detail

uses

public abstract String[] uses

A list of package names that are used by this package.

If the uses directive must be omitted from the export package clause for this package, the empty value $\{\}$ must be specified.

If not specified, the uses directive for the export package clause is calculated by inspection of the classes in this package.

Default:

{}

attribute

public abstract String[] attribute

A list of attribute or directive names and values.

Each string should be specified in the form:

! "name=value" for attributes.

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```
! "name:type=value" for typed attributes.! "name:=value" for directives.
```

These are added, separated by semicolons, to the export package clause.

Default:

{}

substitution

public abstract Export.Substitution substitution

Specify the policy for substitutably importing this package.

Bundles that collaborate require the same class loader for types used in the collaboration. If multiple bundles export packages with collaboration types then they will have to be placed in disjoint class spaces, making collaboration impossible. Collaboration is significantly improved when bundles are willing to import exported packages; these imports will allow a framework to substitute exports for imports.

If not specified, the Export.Substitution.CALCULATED substitution policy is used for this package.

Default:

Export.Substitution.CALCULATED

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Enum Export.Substitution

org.osgi.annotation.bundle

All Implemented Interfaces:

Comparable < Export. Substitution >, Serializable

Enclosing class:

Export

```
public static enum Export.Substitution
extends Enum<Export.Substitution>
```

Substitution policy for this package.

Enum Constant Summary	Pag e
CALCULATED The policy value is calculated by inspection of the classes in the package.	20
CONSUMER Use a consumer type version range for the import package clause when substitutably importing a package.	19
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Enum Constant Detail

CONSUMER

```
public static final <a href="Export.Substitution">Export.Substitution</a> CONSUMER
```

Use a consumer type version range for the import package clause when substitutably importing a package.

See Also:

org.osgi.annotation.versioning.ConsumerType

PROVIDER

 $\verb"public static final $\underline{\tt Export.Substitution}$ \ \mbox{{\it PROVIDER}}$$

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Use a provider type version range for the import package clause when substitutably importing a package.

See Also:

org.osgi.annotation.versioning.ProviderType

NOIMPORT

public static final Export.Substitution NOIMPORT

The package must not be substitutably imported.

CALCULATED

public static final <u>Export.Substitution</u> CALCULATED

The policy value is calculated by inspection of the classes in the package.

Method Detail

values

public static <u>Export.Substitution[]</u> values()

valueOf

public static Export.Substitution valueOf(String name)

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Annotation Type Header

org.osgi.annotation.bundle

```
@Documented
@Retention(value=RetentionPolicy.CLASS)
@Target(value={
    ElementType.TYPE,
    ElementType.PACKAGE
})
@Repeatable(value=Headers.class)
public @interface Header
```

Define a manifest header for a bundle.

For example:

```
@Header(name=Constants.BUNDLE_CATEGORY, value="osgi")
```

This annotation is not retained at runtime. It is for use by tools to generate bundle manifests.

Require	d Element Summary	Pag e
String	The name of this header.	21
String	The value of this header.	21

Element Detail

name

public abstract String name

The name of this header.

value

public abstract String value

The value of this header.

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Annotation Type Headers

org.osgi.annotation.bundle

```
@Documented
@Retention(value=RetentionPolicy.CLASS)
@Target(value={
    ElementType.TYPE,
    ElementType.PACKAGE
})
public @interface Headers
```

Container annotation for repeated <u>Header</u> annotations.

Required Element Summary	Pag e
Header[] value Repeated Header annotations.	22

Element Detail

value

public abstract Header[] value

Repeated <u>Header</u> annotations.

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Annotation Type Requirement

org.osgi.annotation.bundle

```
@Documented
@Retention(value=RetentionPolicy.CLASS)
@Target(value={
    ElementType.TYPE,
        ElementType.PACKAGE
})
@Repeatable(value=Requirements.class)
public @interface Requirement
```

Define a requirement for a bundle.

For example:

```
@Requirement(namespace=ExtenderNamespace.EXTENDER_NAMESPACE, name="osgi.component", version="1.3.\overline{0}")
```

This annotation is not retained at runtime. It is for use by tools to generate bundle manifests or otherwise process the a package.

Nested	Class Summary	Pag e
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Require	d Element Summary	Pag e
String[]	A list of attribute or directive names and values.	24
Requiremen t.Cardinal ity	Cardinality The cardinality of this requirement.	25
String	effective The effective time of this requirement.	24
String	The filter expression of this requirement, if any.	24
String	The name of this requirement within the namespace.	24
String	namespace The namespace of this requirement.	23
Requiremen t.Resoluti on	The resolution policy of this requirement.	25
String	version The floor version of the version range for this requirement.	24

Element Detail

namespace

public abstract String namespace

The namespace of this requirement.

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name

public abstract String name

The name of this requirement within the namespace.

If specified, adds an expression, using the α operator with any specified $\underline{filter()}$, to the requirement's filter directive to test that an attribute with the name of the namespace is equal to the value of the specified name.

Default:

version

public abstract String version

The floor version of the version range for this requirement.

If specified, adds a version range expression, using the & operator with any specified $\underline{filter()}$, to the requirement's filter directive. The ceiling version of the version range is the next major version from the floor version. For example, if the specified version is 1.3, then the version range expression is (&(version>=1.3)(!(version>=2.0))).

The specified version must be a valid OSGi version string.

Default:

filter

public abstract String filter

The filter expression of this requirement, if any.

Default:

effective

public abstract String effective

The effective time of this requirement.

Specifies the time the requirement is available. The OSGi framework resolver only considers requirement without an effective directive or effective:=resolve. Requirements with other values for the effective directive can be considered by an external agent.

If not specified, the effective directive is omitted from the requirement clause.

Default:

"resolve"

attribute

public abstract String[] attribute

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A list of attribute or directive names and values.

Each string should be specified in the form:

```
! "name=value" for attributes.! "name:type=value" for typed attributes.! "name:=value" for directives.
```

These are added, separated by semicolons, to the export package clause.

Default:

{}

cardinality

```
public abstract Requirement.Cardinality cardinality
```

The cardinality of this requirement.

Indicates if this requirement can be wired a single time or multiple times.

If not specified, the cardinality directive is omitted from the requirement clause.

Default:

Requirement.Cardinality.SINGLE

resolution

```
public abstract Requirement.Resolution resolution
```

The resolution policy of this requirement.

A mandatory requirement forbids the bundle to resolve when this requirement is not satisfied; an optional requirement allows a bundle to resolve even if this requirement is not satisfied.

If not specified, the resolution directive is omitted from the requirement clause.

Default:

Requirement.Resolution.MANDATORY

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Enum Requirement. Cardinality

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All Implemented Interfaces:

Comparable < Requirement. Cardinality >, Serializable

Enclosing class:

Requirement

```
public static enum Requirement.Cardinality
extends Enum<Requirement.Cardinality>
```

Cardinality for this requirement.

Enum Constant Summary	Pag e
MULTIPLE Indicates if the requirement can be wired multiple times.	26
SINGLE Indicates if the requirement can only be wired a single time.	26

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static Requirement t.Cardinal		27
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Enum Constant Detail

SINGLE

public static final Requirement.Cardinality SINGLE

Indicates if the requirement can only be wired a single time.

MULTIPLE

```
public static final Requirement.Cardinality MULTIPLE
```

Indicates if the requirement can be wired multiple times.

Method Detail

values

```
public static Requirement.Cardinality[] values()
```

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valueOf

public static Requirement.Cardinality valueOf(String name)

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Enum Requirement.Resolution

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All Implemented Interfaces:

Comparable < Requirement. Resolution >, Serializable

Enclosing class:

Requirement

```
public static enum Requirement.Resolution
extends Enum<Requirement.Resolution>
```

Resolution for this requirement.

Enum Constant Summary	Pag e
MANDATORY A mandatory requirement forbids the bundle to resolve when the requirement is not satisfied.	28
OPTIONAL An optional requirement allows a bundle to resolve even if the requirement is not satisfied.	28

Method	Summary	Pag e	
static Requiremen t.Resoluti on	<pre>valueOf(String name)</pre>	29	
static Requiremen t.Resoluti on[]	<pre>values()</pre>	28	

Enum Constant Detail

MANDATORY

 $\verb"public static final <u>Requirement.Resolution MANDATORY" \\$ </u>

A mandatory requirement forbids the bundle to resolve when the requirement is not satisfied.

OPTIONAL

```
public static final <a href="Requirement.Resolution">Requirement.Resolution</a> OPTIONAL
```

An optional requirement allows a bundle to resolve even if the requirement is not satisfied.

Method Detail

values

```
public static <u>Requirement.Resolution[]</u> values()
```

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valueOf

public static <u>Requirement.Resolution</u> valueOf(String name)

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Annotation Type Requirements

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```
@Documented
@Retention(value=RetentionPolicy.CLASS)
@Target(value={
    ElementType.TYPE,
    ElementType.PACKAGE
})
public @interface Requirements
```

Container annotation for repeated Requirement annotations.

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Element Detail

value

public abstract Requirement[] value

Repeated Requirement annotations.

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7 Considered Alternatives

The following requirement is deferred for now.

 G0090 – It must be possible to refer to a package name, package version, context information, class name, bundle version and bundle symbolic name in the manifest annotations. This must be done by computing the desired information from a class constant per G0070.

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8 Security Considerations

Description of all known vulnerabilities this may either introduce or address as well as scenarios of how the weaknesses could be circumvented.

Since these are CLASS retention annotations, there are no runtime security considerations.

9 Document Support

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9.3 Acronyms and Abbreviations

9.4 End of Document

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