Dockerized REST API that ingests an in-force illustration PDF, auto-extracts key fields (carrier-agnostic), PII scrubs content, computes a confidence score, generates proof snips, and returns decision-ready JSON plus a redacted PDF. If confidence >= 0.80 mark Final; otherwise mark Provisional - Needs Review but still return full output. No user interaction beyond upload

What you need before starting

- 1. Your AWS login (the normal web console you use).
- 2. Your OpenAl account (we'll create an API key later).
- 3. **The project ZIP** you downloaded from me: 1035_extractor_scaffold_ascii.zip (it's on your computer).

Part A — Quick test in your browser (AWS Cloud9)

This lets you run everything without installing anything on your computer.

- 1. Log in to AWS Console.
- 2. In the top search bar, type Cloud9, open it.
- 3. Click Create environment.
 - Name: extractor-workbench
 - Leave defaults (t3.small is fine), click **Create**. It takes ~1–2 minutes.
- 4. You'll land in a browser IDE (file tree + terminal at bottom).
- 5. **Upload the ZIP** (no command line yet):

- o In the left file tree, right-click the top folder, choose **Upload Local Files...**
- Pick 1035_extractor_scaffold_ascii.zip from your computer.
- 6. **Unzip it** (1 command):

In the bottom terminal (it's already open), paste:

```
unzip 1035_extractor_scaffold_ascii.zip
cd 1035_extractor
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Build and run the Docker app (2 commands):

```
docker build -t extractor:latest .
docker run --rm -p 8000:8000 extractor:latest
```

7. Leave this window running—it starts the API inside Cloud9.

8. Test it right there:

- o In Cloud9 menu, click **Preview** → **Preview Running Application**.
- o In the URL bar that opens, add /docs at the end and press Enter.
- You'll see the API page. Click POST /analyze → Try it out → Choose File, upload a sample in-force PDF, then Execute.
- You should get JSON back (it includes confidence_overall, series, and a redacted_pdf_b64).

If that worked, your extractor is good. Next, we'll put it on your own server so you can hit it from anywhere.

Part B — Put it on your AWS server (EC2 + Docker)

This is the simplest way to make it reachable from the internet.

B1) Launch the server

- 1. In AWS search, open **EC2** → **Instances** → **Launch instances**.
- 2. Name: extractor-server.
- Image: Amazon Linux 2023 (default).
- 4. Instance type: t3.small (okay for testing).
- 5. Key pair: create or select one (you won't need it if you use the browser connect, but it's fine).
- 6. Network settings → Edit:
 - Allow **SSH (22)** from My IP (so you can connect).
 - Add Custom TCP port 8000 from Anywhere (temporary so you can test from your computer).
 - (We'll lock this down later or put HTTPS in front.)
- 7. Click **Launch instance**. Wait ~1–2 minutes until status is "Running".

B2) Connect and install Docker

Back in Instances, select extractor-server → Connect → EC2 Instance Connect → Connect (opens a browser terminal).

Paste these commands (install & start Docker, and Git & unzip):

```
sudo yum install -y docker git unzip
sudo service docker start
```

2. (No need to log out/in; we'll just use sudo when running Docker.)

B3) Get your project onto the server

Use the **same ZIP** you have on your computer:

Option 1 (easiest): upload via GitHub (web only, no coding)

- 1. Go to github.com \rightarrow **New repository** (public or private).
- 2. Click Add file \rightarrow Upload files and upload 1035_extractor_scaffold_ascii.zip.
- 3. Click **Commit** (save).

Back on the EC2 terminal (browser), run:

```
git clone https://github.com/<your-username>/<your-repo>.git
cd <your-repo>
unzip 1035_extractor_scaffold_ascii.zip
cd 1035_extractor
4.
```

(If you prefer not to use GitHub, we can instead use S3; just ask.)

B4) Build and run the app

Build the image:

2.

```
sudo docker build -t extractor:latest .
1.
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Run it in the background:

```
sudo docker run -d --name extractor -p 8000:8000 extractor:latest
```

3. Find your server's **Public IPv4 address** in the EC2 console.

On your own computer, open a browser to:

```
http://<YOUR_PUBLIC_IP>:8000/docs
```

4. Click **POST /analyze** → **Try it out** and upload an in-force PDF. You should get a JSON response.

Part C — (Optional) Add HTTPS with a Load Balancer (later)

When you're ready to secure it:

- 1. Request a free **certificate** in AWS Certificate Manager (ACM) for your domain (e.g., api.yourdomain.com).
- 2. Create an Application Load Balancer (ALB) in EC2:
 - Listener 443 (HTTPS) with the ACM certificate, target group → your EC2 instance on port 8000.
- 3. Update your DNS (Route 53 or your registrar) to point api.yourdomain.com to the ALB.

(If you want, I can write these clicks out step-by-step too.)

Part D — Hook up OpenAl (the decision & report part)

Your extractor returns clean JSON. Now we'll ask OpenAI to (1) give a Yes/No/Needs-Review decision, and (2) write the client-friendly text for your PDF.

- Create an OpenAl API key (in your OpenAl account → API Keys → Create new secret key). Copy it.
- In your app that orchestrates the flow (Zapier/Make, or a tiny backend), send the JSON from /analyze to OpenAI. Here's the idea in plain words:

- System message: "You are deciding 1035 exchanges. Only use provided JSON.
 If confidence < 0.80, return Needs-Review."
- User message: paste the JSON from /analyze.

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    Model returns: { decision: Yes/No/Needs-Review, reasons: [...], fields_used: [...] }.
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- Then call it again (or same call) to write the report narrative using those fields.
- 3. Use a document tool (Documint, PDFMonkey, or similar) to merge the narrative + your **proof snips** into a PDF template.

(If you want, I'll give you an exact prompt and a Zapier recipe to drop in.)

Common "gotchas" (and the quick fix)

- Can't reach: 8000 from your computer? Make sure the EC2 Security Group allows inbound TCP 8000 from your IP (you set that when launching).
- Docker says "permission denied"? Add sudo in front of the docker commands on EC2.

Upload limit in /docs test? The Swagger UI is fine for typical PDFs; for very large files, use curl:

```
curl -F "file=@/full/path/to/your.pdf"
http://<YOUR_PUBLIC_IP>:8000/analyze
```

 OCR is slow on huge scans? That's normal. Start with a clearer, text-based PDF when testing.

What you just accomplished

- Ran the extractor safely in a browser (Cloud9).
- Deployed it on your own AWS server (EC2 + Docker).
- Confirmed the /analyze endpoint works with a real PDF.
- You're ready to plug the JSON into OpenAl for the Yes/No/Needs-Review decision and the report text.

If you tell me which **final target** you want next—keep it on EC2 with HTTPS, or move to a fully managed service (ECS Fargate)—I'll give you the exact clicks and commands just for that choice.