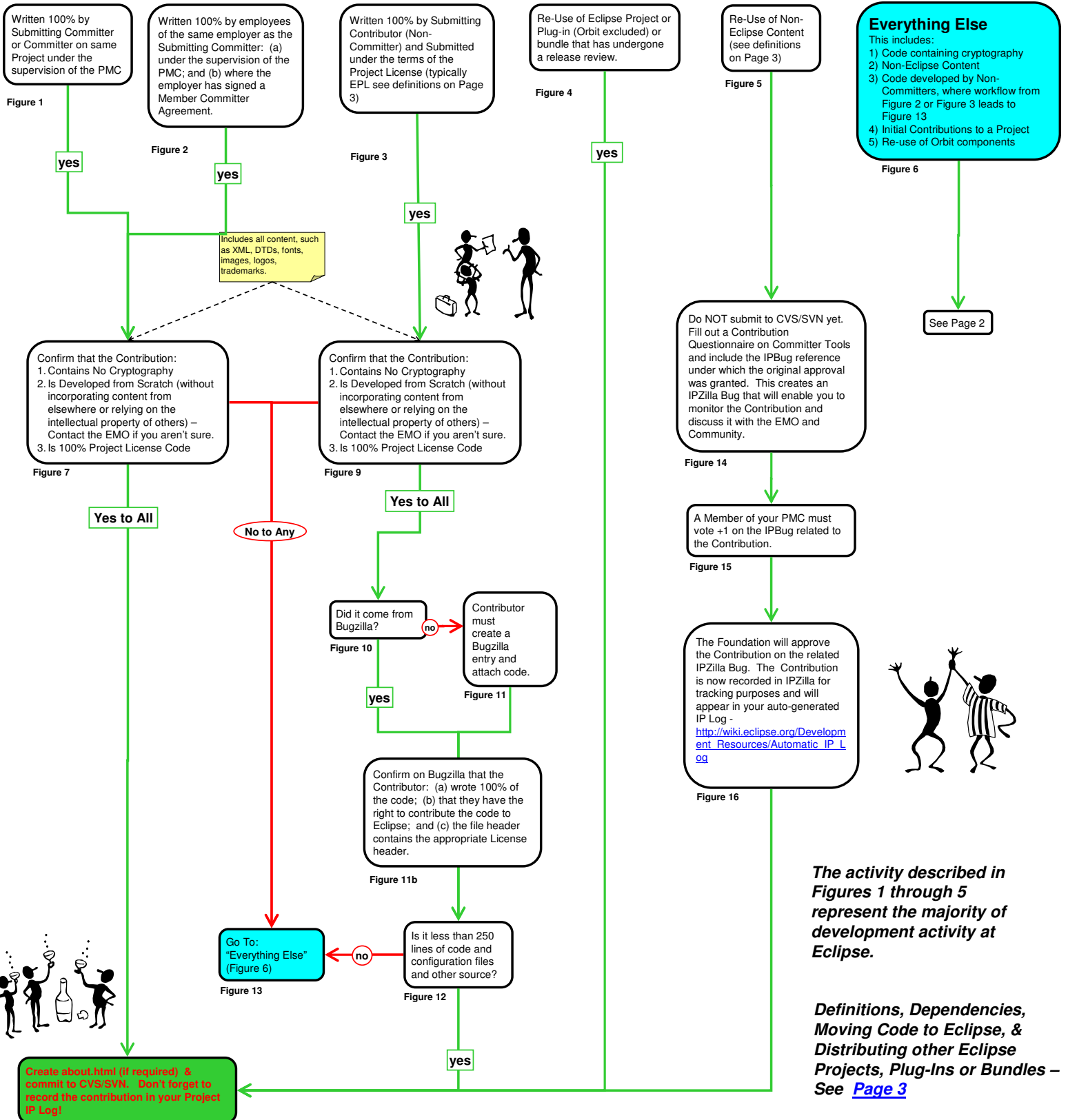


Eclipse Legal Process

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What is the origin of the code?
See Figures 1 through 6 below



The activity described in Figures 1 through 5 represent the majority of development activity at Eclipse.

Definitions, Dependencies, Moving Code to Eclipse, & Distributing other Eclipse Projects, Plug-Ins or Bundles – See [Page 3](#)

Figure 8

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Everything Else
 This includes:
 1) Code containing cryptography
 2) Non-Eclipse Content
 3) Code developed by Non-Committers, where workflow from Figure 2 or Figure 3 leads to Figure 13
 4) Initial Contributions to a Project
 5) Re-use of Orbit components

Figure 6

Is the license EPL?
 Figure 17

no

Is the license compatible with the EPL?
 If uncertain, contact license@eclipse.org
 Figure 19

yes

Do NOT submit to CVS/SVN yet. Fill out a Contribution Questionnaire on Committer Tools. This creates an IPZilla Bug that will enable you to monitor the Contribution and discuss it with the EMO and Community.
 Figure 20

Attach related source code to your IPBug
 Figure 21

A Member of your PMC must vote +1 on the IPBug Related to the Contribution
 Figure 22

yes

Foundation confirms that it has received all necessary information and code & if the package uses a license not previously used at Eclipse, informs the Board.
 Figure 23

Make sure that you submit Contribution Questionnaire for EPL and non-EPL code separately, attaching the code to the related IPBug.
 Adding the following information to your Contribution Questionnaire will help speed review:
 • Is the use: binary or source
 • Is the use: in modified or unmodified form
 • Is this a standard binary distribution or are you sub setting?
 • List all licenses that apply to the code
 • If there is a single author? (obtaining an email from the author indicating they wrote 100% of the code and attaching it to your IPBug will speed review)
 • Is there a clear mechanism by which contributors to the project agreed to submit their code to the project under the license provided?
 • If there was a change in license, did those changing the license get the permission of all of the original authors?
 • If this code has been previously reviewed and approved for use in Eclipse, identifying the bug that contains the prior approval, confirming that you are using the same related source code, and referencing that bug will help speed review



Be prepared for a delay in response based on workload; planning ahead is best.

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no

no

Is your contribution eligible for parallel IP? A contribution is eligible for parallel IP if:
 (a) your project is incubating and in compliance with the logo guidelines for incubating projects. Conforming status is indicated by the following icon: or
 (b) In the case of mature projects, the contribution represents a minor change to a previously approved package.
 Figure 24

yes

Is the License compatible with the EPL (based on the information provided by the Committer) and there are no other difficulties apparent from the code based on a high level review. See comment on Figure 19.
 Figure 25

IPBug is marked with the keyword "checkintocvs"
 Figure 26

no

Create about.html (if required) & commit to CVS/SVN. Don't forget to record the contribution in your Project IP Log! IP Due diligence will need to be completed before the incubating project can ship anything labeled as a release candidate or release.
 Figure 27



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 Figure 30

EMO completes Due Diligence
 Figure 28

Approved

Not approved

If applicable, Foundation advises Committer and Board of Approval (ref Figure 23)
 Figure 29

Foundation advises Committer of Non-Approval
 Figure 31

If Non-Approval relates to Incubating code in CVS/SVN, code must be removed.
 Figure 32

Work with PMC to Examine Alternatives
 Figure 33



Definitions:

“Project License” – your default Project license will be the EPL. Any other licensing strategy requires a unanimous vote of the Eclipse Board of Directors.

“Non-Eclipse Content” – any code maintained on servers other than those of the Eclipse Foundation.

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http://www.eclipse.org/org/documents/Eclipse_Policy_and_Procedure_for_3rd_Party_Dependencies_Final.pdf

Moving Code to Eclipse:

Interested in moving code from somewhere else to Eclipse and maintaining it at Eclipse?

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