OCSP Algorithm Agility

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Status

- WG Draft submitted
 - Specifies default client algorithm selection
 - Optional mechanism to permit client to specify supported algorithms
 - Handles case where certificate does not exist

Outstanding Issues

- Use of algorithms other than SHA1 for identifying certificate by digest
 - SHA1 is hardwired in OCSP spec
 - Will require fix before OCSP goes to STANDARD
- Security remains dependent on certificate signature algorithm
 - May be an issue for archival applications
 - 'What is the status of this RSA-SHA1 cert used to sign a mortgage 20 years ago'

Proposed fix

Extension to allow digest of certificate to be specified