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CAPInv. 1157: Atteis hoi ke Aitante heiairodouloi (i.e. kai Attiastai hierodouloi) Me[tr]os theas Pontias

I. LOCATION

i. Geographical area	Thrace
ii. Region	Euxine Coast
iii. Site	Dionysopolis

II. NAME

i. Full name (original language)	Ἄττεις οἱ κὲ Ἀτιαστὲ εἰαιρόδουλοι Μη[τρ]ὸς θεᾶς Ποντίας (i.e. Ἄττεις οἱ καὶ Ἀττιασταὶ ἱερόδουλοι Μητρὸς θεᾶς Ποντίας, SEG 60: 768)
ii. Full name (transliterated)	*Atteis hoi ke Aitante heiairodouloi* (i.e. *kai Attiastai hierodouloi*) *Me[tr]os theas Pontias*

III. DATE

i. Date(s)	215 - 235 AD

IV. NAME AND TERMINOLOGY

ii. Name elements	Cultic:	*hierodouloi*
	Geographical:	*Atteis hoi kai Attiastai*
	Theophoric:	*Meter Thea Pontia*

V. SOURCES

i. Source(s)	Sharankov 2013: 57-8 (AD 215-235)
i.a. Source type(s)	Epigraphic source(s)
i.b. Document(s) typology & language/script	Catalogue (in Greek) of the members of the association.

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i.c. Physical format(s)	Fragmentary marble stele with relief depicting Attis near a tree and holding a *syrinx* with his right hand.
ii. Source(s) provenance	Dionysopolis, temple of the Pontic Mother of Gods (excavations).

VI. BUILT AND VISUAL SPACE

i. Archaeological remains	The temple of the Pontic Mother of Gods, which is rather good preserved, has been completely excavated.

VII. ORGANIZATION

ii. Leadership	M. Aurelios Koures Hestiaiou, ὁ καὶ ἱερεὺς Μητρὸς θεᾶς Ποντίας, *ho kai hiereus Metros theas Pontias* (ll. 4-5).
iii. Members	Besides the officials (VII.iv: Officials) at least 8 ordinary members (names + patronyms).
iv. Officials	One εἰαιρόδ[ου]λος Μητρὸς θεᾶς Ποντία[ς] αὐλητής, *hiairod[ou]los (l. hierodoulos) Metros theas Pontia[s] auletes* (same person as the *auletes* in CAPInv. 1156). One θεοφόρος, *theophoros* (i.e. bearer of the image of the deity) and πατὴρ τῆς θύνης, *pater tes thynes* ('president of the feast').

IX. MEMBERSHIP

ii. Gender	Men
Note	The attested members were men.
iii. Age	Adults

XII. NOTES

i. Comments	M. Aurelios Koures Hestiaiou, the priest, is the same as the ἱερονόμος, *hieronomos*, of the Ἀσιανῶν σπεῖρα, *Asianon speira* (IGBulg I^2 23 in CAPInv. 1152) and the "first archon of the city in an unpublished ephebic list" (Sharankov).
iii. Bibliography	Lazarenko, I., *et al.* (2010), 'The Temple of the Pontic Mother of Gods in Dionysopolis', in E.K. Petropoulos and A.A. Maslennikov (eds.), *Ancient Sacral Monuments in the Black Sea*, Thessaloniki: 13-62. Sharankov, N. (2013), 'Inscriptions', in I. Lazarenko *et al.* (eds.), *The Temple of the Pontic Mother of Gods in Dionysopolis*, Varna.

XIII. EVALUATION

i. Private association	Certain

Note	The terminology points to a private association.

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