

## The Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers

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VIA EMAIL ONLY

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RE: Referral of Request for New Registry Service

Dear Pam,

This letter is to inform you that ICANN has made a preliminary determination on PIR's proposal to implement DNS Security Extensions (DNSSEC) in .ORG.

ICANN's preliminary determination has not identified any significant competition issues. ICANN has determined to submit the proposal to the Registry Services Technical Evaluation Panel for further evaluation. This is because the new service may create a condition that potentially adversely affects the throughput, response time, consistency or coherence of responses to Internet servers.

PIR has until Tuesday, 22 April 2008 (two business days following the expiration of the 15 calendar day period) to decide whether to continue with the evaluation of this proposal by the RSTEP. Upon referral, the Chair of the RSTEP will select a five-person Review Team from among the members of the RSTEP. The Review Team will have 45 calendar days upon referral to prepare a written report regarding the proposed service's effect on security or stability, which will be posted for public comment and provided to the ICANN Board.

Please advise whether PIR intends to proceed with this request.

Sincerely,

Patrick Jones ICANN

cc: Kurt Pritz

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