

May 27, 2014

## RE: Additional Letter of Support for dotgay LLC (Application ID# 1-1713-23699)

Dear ICANN,

Please accept our request to post this new letter of support for dotgay LLC's community application for .GAY to the ICANN correspondence page.

Best regards,

Jamie Baxter VP of Marketing dotgay LLC



## Letter of Support dotgay LLC

May 26, 2014

Dear Dr. Crocker, Mr. Chehade, Members of the ICANN Board,

The Chambre de commerce gaie du Québec (CCGQ – Québec Gay Chamber of Commerce) is pleased to lend its support of ICANN's consideration to create the proposed .gay top-level-domain (TLD) under the community model presented by dotgay LLC.

The CCGQ is quite enthusiastic with respect to this proposal as it is an innovative approach meant to enable an entire community to influence of a TLD as opposed to strictly commercial imperatives.

Founded in 1997, our chamber of commerce is Canada's largest LGBT business organisation and its second oldest. We bring together close to 600 members of our community and its allies. We bring together small business owners and professionals, as well as heads of large corporations. We strive to represent the interests of our business community and the LGBT community in Quebec as a whole.

dotgay LLC is offering a strategically important approach that will allow organisations such as ours to acquire a .gay web address that will recognize our long standing existence within our community. It will avoid seeing the .gay TLD being usurped in an unfettered manner by groups and individuals strictly motivated by a quick financial gain. It is important that such a TLD be allowed to reflect the diversity of our entire community and, as such, only an approach such as the one tabled by dotgay LLC will allow us to accomplish this.

We thank you for the time and consideration you are giving to this application. We feel strongly that creating a community-centred model for .gay is vital to the LGBT community worldwide and will allow this TLD to flourish in a trusted and safe manner.

Sincerely,

Marc-Antoine Saumier

President