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Dear Dr. Crocker:

We are sending this letter in support of Far Further/.music LLC's application for the .music Top-Level Domain.

Allow me first to introduce our company : SABAM was founded in 1922 by authors and for authors. As a private company, SABAM is the Belgian Collective Management Society administrating the rights coming to the authors composers and publishers in Belgium.

Being the largest cultural company in Belgium, it represents 36,000 authors and more than 4 million creations. SABAM represents the Belgian as well as the international musical repertoire, through reciprocal agreement concluded with similar Collective Management Societies abroad.

With this in mind, it is of utmost importance that the .music Top-Level Domain be operated in the best interests of the music community. We believe that the .music gTLD should be granted to Far Further's .music LLC, which already has the support of the global music community, as evidenced by the unparalleled endorsement from the recognized and established national and international, community-based music organizations.

We want to do our part to ensure that the .music TLD is operated in the best interests of the legitimate music community and not simply auctioned off to the highest bidder. The principals behind Far Further have deep knowledge of, and experience in, the music community, and will operate the gTLD in a manner that respects and protects authors and owners' rights in copyrighted music and promotes the legitimate distribution and enjoyment of music for everyone. We have carefully reviewed their programs and we are confident in their experience and expertise regarding all aspects of operating this particular domain.

Therefore, SABAM supports and endorses the application by Far Further (or its subsidiary .music LLC) to operate the .music gTLD for the music community under the string ".music" for the benefit of the music community.

Sincerely,

Christophe Depreter  
CEO