

13 July 2022

RE: Proposed Extension of 2013 RAA Specification on Privacy and Proxy Registrations
Expiration Date

Ms. Ashley Heineman
Chair, Registrar Stakeholder Group

Dear Ashley,

As you know, the 2013 Registrar Accreditation Agreement's (RAA) Specification on Privacy and Proxy Registrations (Specification) is set to expire on 31 July 2022.

ICANN organization seeks agreement from the registrar Working Group (as defined in the 2013 RAA) to extend the expiration date of this Specification until such time as the Privacy and Proxy Service Provider Accreditation Program (Accreditation Program) has been implemented.

ICANN org proposes this extension recognizing that the implementation of the Accreditation Program is currently on hold. We note that in previous extensions to this Specification we agreed to 18-month increments. However, we believe that it is in the best interest of registrants, those with legitimate data access needs, and the community more broadly to ensure that the protections within the Specification continue until the superseding policy is implemented. Additionally, this will allow time and resources to remain focused on existing policy and implementation work and will demonstrate the importance of privacy/proxy-related issues and our combined good-faith efforts to advance these issues.

I would appreciate your prompt attention to this matter and ask that you notify ICANN org of the determination no later than 28 July 2021. If you have any questions or concerns, please share them as soon as is practicable.

Thank you for your time and consideration,

Russ Weinstein

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