

## The Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers

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**Ernst Stocker Government Councillor** Head of the Department for Economic Affairs of the Canton of Zürich Neumühleguai 110 Postfach 8090 Zürich Switzerland

Dear Mr. Ernst Stocker:

Thank you for your letter dated 27 June 2012 regarding the treatment of publicinterest geographic gTLD applications in the batching process of the New gTLD Program. We appreciate that you have taken the time to contact us and to voice your concerns. We have posted your letter on the New gTLD correspondence page at http://newgtlds.icann.org/en/program-status/correspondence.

There is currently a public comment period open for the newly proposed prioritization drawing method to prioritize applications for evaluations, and ultimately delegation. The public comment window is opened until 9 November 2012. We encourage you to submit your comment at <a href="http://www.icann.org/en/news/public-comment/drawing-prioritization-10oct12-">http://www.icann.org/en/news/public-comment/drawing-prioritization-10oct12-</a> en.htm>.

Thank you for your communication and your interest in the New gTLD Program.

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Sincerely yours,

**Christine Willett** 

New gTLD Program General Manager