September 22, 2008

Dear Dr. Twomey,

eNIC Cocos (Keeling) Islands Pty Ltd, a wholly-owned subsidiary of VeriSign, and its affiliated entities ("eNIC") manages the .cc top-level domain and provides registry services in response to the needs of our customers and stakeholders. Our responsibility is to also ensure the stability and interoperability of the Domain Name System.

With this exchange of letters, we demonstrate a willingness to develop cooperation between ICANN and eNIC.

We believe that ccTLD policy should support the needs of the local internet community.

**eNIC’s Role:**

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Operates the authoritative primary and secondary name servers for .cc in a stable and secure manner, adequate to resolve names within .cc for users throughout the Internet, and in compliance with the relevant technological standards and policies generated in parallel with the local Internet community and consistent with the Endorsement Letter from the Cocos (Keeling) Island Shire Council, the Memorandum of Understanding between eNIC Cocos (Keeling) Islands Pty Ltd and the Government of Australia ("MOU"), and Australian Law as required under the MOU.

Informs the IANA of any changes to the contact information of our administrative or technical contact(s), and any change of the contact information of any change to the administrative and/or technical contact details about .cc in the Authoritative-Root Database no later than seven (7) days after the change becomes effective. The administrative contact for the .cc TLD shall reside in the territory of Australia and shall be an individual directly associated with eNIC, which may be through a contractual relationship.

Generates regular updates of the .cc zone data in compliance with relevant technological standards.

Provides a WHOIS service, and other related information-release services, developed in consultation with our internet community.

Contributes towards the development of relevant technological standards.
eNIC IANA Expectations

We believe it is important that the IANA function is seen to be fair, and operated in an open, transparent manner. We share ICANN’s vision of creating a modern, secure, efficient, swift, and reliable IANA system.

We support the publication of IANA policies and processes, and the development of a more automated and efficient IANA operation.

We would be pleased to work with ICANN in developing best practice and escalation processes for dealing with authentication, correction of errors and disputes applicable to all ccTLD’s worldwide. Of course ICANN, eNIC and its stakeholders have the discretion to decide whether or not to adopt any specific practice and are not required to adopt any practice because the other party does so.

eNIC Aspirations
We agree that the GAC Principles provide a non-binding framework for the relationships between ICANN and ccTLDs.

ICANN Funding

eNIC is ready to contribute purely on a voluntary basis to ICANN’s cost of operations in the amount of US $5,000 for the first year from the date of your confirmation letter. We agree to review in good faith on the first anniversary of the date of this letter, taking into account all the relevant circumstances, our voluntary contribution to you set out above with a view to making continued annual contributions on a voluntary basis.

It is the intention of both parties that this exchange of letters will not form the basis for any claim for any legal or equitable relief, or create reliance on the part of either party. For avoidance of doubt, nothing contained in this letter shall give rise to any liability, monetary or otherwise by either one of us to the other.

We look forward to a long and mutually beneficial relationship with you.

Sincerely,

Raynor Dahlquist
Senior Vice President
VeriSign, Inc.

cc: Mr. Bart Boswinkel, ICANN