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To Who It May Concern,

I would just like to offer my input. The WHOIS records should remain public. I do occasionally get spam myself however it is a small issue. The WHOIS system is a vital component to the domain name system. I would say that there needs to a larger push for more accurate contact information in the WHOIS records. Here are some reasons why it should remain public.

The first reason being is that someone detects a problem with a service via that domain. Security exploit ect... Having the records public make it possible to try and contact the owner.

Secondly, it makes domain owners more aware, and accountable for what's happening with their domain.

Thirdly, it is a public system, and only allowing certain people to view the whois records is anything but public.

May I suggest the ICANN make it very clear that by registering a domain that certain information will be public accessible.

Thanks,
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