Dear Registrar,

Please take notice that ICANN has published a new Consensus Policy concerning domain name registration data, which is available <a href="here">here</a>. The Registration Data Policy ("Policy") was developed and adopted in accordance with the ICANN Bylaws and is required to be implemented pursuant to the registrar accreditation agreement between ICANN and Registrar.

The Policy modifies requirements in the Registrar Accreditation Agreement and Registry Agreement in light of new and evolving data protection laws. The Policy establishes requirements for processing registration data for ICANN-accredited registrars and registry operators.

To provide a reasonable period of time to comply with the Policy, Section 4 of the Policy establishes the following implementation timeline:

- Implementation Preparation period 21 February 2024 through 20 August 2024:
   During this period registrars must continue to implement measures consistent with the
   Temporary Specification for gTLD Registration Data. Registrars should use this period to
   prepare for implementation of the new Registration Data Policy but must not implement
   any changes to operations yet.
- Implementation Transition period 21 August 2024 through 20 August 2025:
  Registrars may continue to implement measures consistent with the Temporary
  Specification for gTLD Registration Data, or the new Registration Data Policy in its
  entirety, or elements of both.
- Registration Data Policy Implementation Completed 21 August 2025 and onward:
   The Registration Data Policy is effective and registrars must comply in full with the
   Registration Data Policy no later than 21 August 2025.

This letter constitutes ICANN's notice to you.

## Background:

The Registration Data Policy is the GNSO Consensus Policy Recommendations Implementation that began in May 2019 with EPDP Phase 1: Board Resolution (29 recommendations) and included two scope additions: EPDP Phase 2: Board Resolution in June 2021 (four recommendations) and Supplemental Recommendation 12: Board Resolution in February 2022 (one recommendation).

ICANN recognizes that this Policy may have significant impacts on contracted parties' operations. We have published the <u>Registration Data Policy Implementation Resources</u> webpage to assist in the implementation planning. ICANN will be updating this webpage with additional resources during the implementation period.

Questions about this Policy may be directed to globalsupport@icann.org.

## Learn more:

- EPDP Temporary Specification for gTLD Registration Data Phase 1 | Generic Names Supporting Organization [gnso.icann.org]
- EPDP Temporary Specification for gTLD Registration Data Phase 2 | Generic Names Supporting Organization [gnso.icann.org]
- EPDP Supplemental Recommendation GNSO [gnso.icann.org]
- Registration Data Policy Implementation IRT wiki [community.icann.org]
- Consensus Policy Implementation ICANN.org [icann.org]
- EPDP Phase 1: Board Resolution [icann.org]
- EPDP Phase 2: Board Resolution [icann.org]
- Supplemental Recommendation 12: Board Resolution [icann.org]

## Sincerely,

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