

23 October 2019

RE: Registration Directory Service Review Team Final Report

Alan Greenberg Registration Directory Service Review Team

Dear Alan,

The ICANN Board confirms receipt of the Final Report of the Registration Directory Service (RDS-WHOIS2) Review Team, dated 3 September 2019.

We thank you and the members of the RDS-WHOIS2 Review Team for your dedicated work and contributions to this review. The Board recognizes the significant commitment of time and hard work that has gone into conducting this review and assembling the Final Report.

ICANN org posted the Final Report for public comment on 08 October 2019 in order to further the Board's consideration of the Final Report, within the 6-month period and in line with the ICANN Bylaws.

An initial implementation plan and an impact assessment of implementation, will be developed by ICANN org. These will inform the Board as it deliberates on the final recommendations, taking into consideration initial cost and resource estimates and dependencies with other ongoing efforts within the community, along with the report of the public comments received.

The Board notes that several members of the RDS-WHOIS2 Review Team have volunteered to be implementation shepherds who will help provide clarity on the intent of the recommendations. The Board thanks these members in advance and looks forward to collaborative discussions with them.

Again, we thank the RDS-WHOIS2 Review Team for its diligence and dedicated work on this important review.

Best regards,

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Chair, ICANN Board of Directors