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<u>Via Email</u>

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RE: Domain Name Registration Validation Per Applicable Law Service for gTLDs .COM and
.NET for RSEP ID: [#01135846]

ICANN has conducted a preliminary review of the request from VeriSign, Inc. ("Verisign") to
implement the Domain Name Registration Validation Per Applicable Law Service for the .com
and .net TLDs. The RSEP request proposes that the registration validation process, by which
Verisign subjects new domain name registration requests and/or existing domain name
registrations to validation, will be subject to the criteria required by the applicable local law in the
jurisdiction. The proposed service will enable Verisign to perform an additional verification check
on each new domain name registration request from a registrar (subject to such applicable law)
to determine if the registrar has provided the required verification codes in accordance with the
existing Verification Code Extension for Extensible Provisioning Protocol (EPP) service, which
remains unchanged by this RSEP request. If the verification check fails, Verisign's SRS will
respond with an existing EPP error result code and the domain name registration will not be
created. The registrar may then resubmit the registration request providing the required
verification code to successfully register the domain name.

ICANN org determined the request did not raise significant Security, Stability or competition
issues as defined in Section 3.1(d)(iv) of the .com and .net Registry Agreements and RSEP.
ICANN further determined that implementation of the proposed service does not require a
material change to the Registry Agreements. Verisign is free to deploy as proposed based on
the conditions below and as provided in Verisign's proposal:

- The registration validation process, by which the Registry Operator subjects new and
  existing domain name registrations to validation, will be subject to the criteria required by
  the applicable local law in the jurisdiction;
- New and existing domain names that are subject to the registration validation process in
  the subject jurisdiction that do not pass registration validation in that jurisdiction may be
  denied, canceled, suspended, deleted or otherwise updated by the Registry Operator,

consistent with the Registry-Registrar Agreement and as required by applicable local law.

Sincerely,

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