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Subject: [Updates] 2017 Global Amendment and Registry System Testing (RST)



Dear Registry Operator,

For this week's communication, we've included some additional information on the 2017 Global Amendment which applies to all new generic top-level domains and legacy top level domains including .JOBS, .CAT, .PRO, .TEL, .TRAVEL, and .MOBI; and new information on Registry System Testing (RST) which applies to all new generic and legacy top-level domains.

Effective Date of the Approved Amendment to the Base New gTLD Registry Agreement

This is the final reminder of the **31 July 2017 effective date** for the 2017 Global Amendment ("Global Amendment") to the base New gTLD Registry Agreement ("Registry Agreement"). The effective date follows ICANN's 60-day notice to registry operators sent on 1 June 2017.

Please refer to the reference materials provided on ICANN's <u>Global Amendment webpage</u> and the <u>Registry Agreements webpage</u> to review the changes to the Registry Agreement and background of this process. We'd also like to highlight that registry operators should use the new format in Specification 3, Section 2 starting with the July 2017 Registry Functions Activity Reports.

Please note this version includes two typographical edits that have been corrected in execution versions since 2015. These are as follows:

- Specification 3, Section 1, Field 27: modified to correct a typographical error. Either "transfer-losing-successfully" or "transfer-losing-successfull" is an acceptable field name and we have conformed this to match Field 25.
- Specification 11, Section 3: the definition of the term ("PICDRP") is repeated in Section 2 and again in Section 3. This language is duplicative in the event a registry operator did not provide commitments with its original application. In the event commitments were not provided with an original application, Section 2 would not have been included and Section 3 was modified to include the definition in the execution version of the Registry Agreement. Thus, the definition is repeated in two places for purposes of the form.

If you have any questions, please reach out to us through ICANN's <u>Global Domains Division</u> <u>Portal</u> or email <u>globalsupport@icann.org</u>.

Registry System Testing (RST) Site Live

Over the years, several technical testing procedures have been developed to support registry services. Previously, all registry-related technical tests were referred to as Pre-Delegation Testing (PDT). To more accurately reflect the portfolio of registry test services performed for delegated top-level domains, these services will now be collectively referred to as Registry System Testing (RST), which includes Pre-Delegation Testing.

The published information can now be accessed at https://www.icann.org/resources/registry-system-testing.

Sincerely,
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