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RE: Deferral of Compliance Enforcement of Thick WHOIS Consensus Policy

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Dear Mr. Kane,

Thank you for your 29 July 2019 [letter](#) requesting an extension to the current implementation deadlines for the [Thick WHOIS Transition Policy](#) for .com and .net.

The ICANN Board reviewed this matter and on 7 November 2019 passed a [resolution](#) to extend the implementation dates of the Thick WHOIS Transition Policy until all of the following have occurred:

- the gTLD Registration Data Policy Implementation Review Team (IRT) completes its review and establishes an implementation timeline estimate of the Expedited Policy Development Process (EPDP) Team's recommendations as [adopted](#) by the ICANN Board on 15 May 2019;
- ICANN org and the IRT provides the Generic Names Supporting Organization (GNSO) Council with the required information on the impacts of the EPDP Team's recommendations on existing policies and procedures (including the Thick WHOIS Transition policy), and
- the GNSO Council makes a determination on whether to take action regarding the Thick WHOIS Transition Policy and any relevant policies and procedures (which could include additional policy work, guidance, or other actions to be determined) impacting the Thick WHOIS Transition Policy.

Following the completion of the conditions above, ICANN org will provide an update to the Board, Verisign and the ICANN community on proposed next steps.

Sincerely,



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