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ICANN Final Determination

Re: Notice of Registry Operator Request for Termination of Registry Agreement - .duns

On 14 March 2019, The Dun & Bradstreet Corporation <u>notified ICANN</u> of its intent to terminate the .duns Registry Agreement entered into on 06 August 2015. Pursuant to Section 4.4(b) of the Registry Agreement, Registry Operator may terminate the Registry Agreement for any reason upon one hundred eighty (180) calendar day advance notice.

Pursuant to the terms of Section 4.5 of the Registry Agreement (as modified by Section 6 of Specification 13 for this .Brand TLD), ICANN consulted with The Dun & Bradstreet Corporation to assess whether to transition operation of the .duns top-level domain (TLD) to a successor Registry Operator.

On 03 June 2019, ICANN made a <u>preliminary determination</u> that operation of the .duns TLD need not be transitioned to a successor Registry Operator based on the following rationale:

- 1. .duns qualifies as a .Brand TLD.
- 2. Transitioning the TLD is not necessary to protect the public interest.

On 03 July 2019, after a 30-day period for comments by interested parties, no comments were received. Pursuant to Section 4.4(b) of the Registry Agreement, ICANN will proceed to terminate the .duns Registry Agreement by 01 September 2019.

In conformance with Section 4.5 of the Registry Agreement (as modified by Section 6 of Specification 13 for this .Brand TLD), ICANN may not delegate the TLD to a successor registry operator for a period of two years without Registry Operator's consent, which shall not be unreasonably withheld, conditioned or delayed.

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