Thick WHOIS Policy Implementation

Meeting with the IRT | 12 July 2016

Agenda

- ⊙ Consistent Labeling and Display
    - Discussion of Feedback on revised policy language
    - Next Steps & Implementation Timeline

- ⊙ Transition from thin to thick
    - Notification of GNSO per WG Rec. #3
    - Discussion of open items on implementation path scorecard

Consistent Labeling & Display – Feedback

Feedback from IRT on revised policy language (to date)

- ⊙ Item 9 – Footer to be required from registries:
  URL of the ICANN Whois Inaccuracy Complaint Form: https://www.icann.org/wicf/
  - – Not aligned with footer required from Regitrar in the 2013 RAA Specification 3 (despite both URL resolving to the same page):
    URL of the ICANN WHOIS Data Problem Reporting System:
    http://wdprs.internic.net/
  - – **This change is suggested to update obsolete terminology of WDPRS**

- ⊙ The Registry Operators for the .COM, .NET and .JOBS gTLDs shall be subject to this Policy upon the Policy Effective Date for the transition from thin to thick.
  - – The applicable date (new or existing registrations) needs to be clarified
  - – **To be discussed with IRT**

Consistent Labeling & Display – Next Steps

- Deadline for review of revised policy language by IRT: **Friday 8 July 2016 COB**

- Announcement of Policy Effective Date: **31 July 2016**

- Policy Effective Date: **1 February 2017**

- **Do not implement before 31 October 2016** considered to allow update of ICANN's PDT and Whois validation tools.

Transition - Policy Recommendation #3

- **Recommendation #3** of the GNSO Council Consensus Policy Recommendations on Thick Whois adopted by the Board on 7 February 2014 (the "Thick Whois Policy") required:
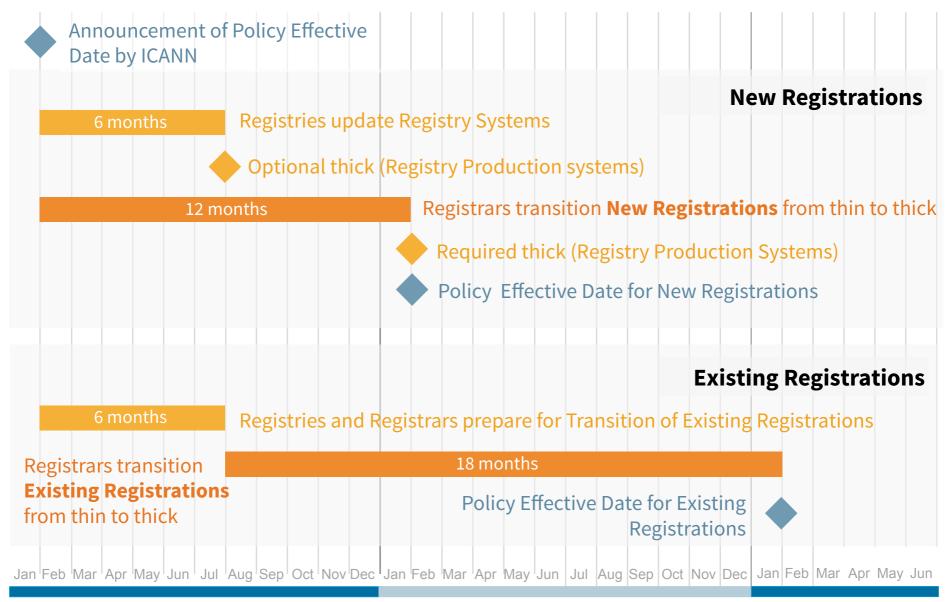
  "As part of the implementation process,
  a legal review of law applicable to the transition of data from a thin to thick model not already been considered in the EWG memo is undertaken, and due consideration is given to potential privacy issues that may arise from the discussions on the transition from thin to thick Whois, including, for example, guidance on how the long-standing contractual requirement that registrars give notice to, and obtain consent from, each registrant for uses of any personally identifiable data submitted by the registrant should apply to registrations involved in the transition.
  Should anemerge from y privacy issues these transition discussions that were not anticipated by the WG and which would require additional policy consideration, the Implementation Review Team is expected to notify the GNSO Council of these so that appropriate action can be taken"

- **Agreement in Helsinki:** Verisign to draft notification and circulate with IRT

Transition Implementation Path – Timeline (29 June IRT)

◆ Announcement of Policy Effective Date by ICANN

New Registrations

| 6 months | Registries update Registry Systems |

◆ Optional thick (Registry Production systems)

| 12 months | Registrars transition **New Registrations** from thin to thick |

◆ Required thick (Registry Production Systems)

◆ Policy Effective Date for New Registrations

Existing Registrations

| 6 months | Registries and Registrars prepare for Transition of Existing Registrations |

Registrars transition **Existing Registrations** from thin to thick

| 18 months |

◆ Policy Effective Date for Existing Registrations

Jan Feb Mar Apr May Jun Jul Aug Sep Oct Nov Dec | Jan Feb Mar Apr May Jun Jul Aug Sep Oct Nov Dec | Jan Feb Mar Apr May Jun

2017   **2018**   **2019**

Transition Implementation Path - Principles

Agreed upon within the IRT (as of 21 June, w/ edits from 29 June meeting):

- Transition of new and existing Registrations would happen in parallel, according to independent timelines

- A limited set of validation rules would be enforced by Registry Systems to ensure all available existing registration data is transitioned
  - Contact ID, Postal Info Type and Auth Info required for contacts
  - RDDS output before and after the transition contains the same amount of information

- 2 options available to registrars for uploading existing registration data:
  - EPP
  - File-based bulk transfer (to be confirmed)

- Once exisiting registration data is transitioned, regular validation rules apply (same as those applicable to new registrations) – The case of transfers still requires discussion

Transition Implementation Path – Open Items

New items discussed on 29 June 2016

- Minimum validation rules for existing registrations to apply to new registrations during the transition (Marc)

- Creation of new registrations with existing contact data that may have missing data (Jordyn)