Hi All and Thanks Kurt.

My name is Alex Deacon. As a software engineer I've been involved in the design, implementation and standardization of Internet infrastructure technologies since 1993. I started my career as a developer at the NASA NIC, was a founding engineer of a small unknown startup called VeriSign where I worked for 15 years and was involved in advanced product development and research in Symantec Labs and at Neustar Labs. While I was familiar with ICANN's work and activities since its founding I didn't actively participate in the ICANN circus until 2013 as part of my responsibilities as SVP of Internet Technology for the MPAA.

I was an active participant in the PPSAI PDP, PP IRT and the RDS PDP (Next Gen WHOIS) where I served as a co-chair for the CSG towards the end of that work. I am now an independent consultant focusing on issues of Internet technology, infrastructure, security, policy and governance and am participating in the EPDP as an IPC rep on behalf of the MPAA.

Regards, Alex

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