## Post-Expiration Domain Name Recovery PDP Initial Report Information & Consultation Session Thursday, 24 June 2010



## Background



### ickground



- To what extent should registrants be able to reclaim their domain names after they expire?
- PEDNR PDP WG was formed in July 2009
- PEDNR WG examines five questions relating to expiration and renewal practices and policies
- WG is expected to make recommendations for best practices and / or consensus policies



#### G Composition

|                        | Membership | Active Members* |
|------------------------|------------|-----------------|
| t-Large                | 6          | 3               |
| BUC                    | 4          | 2               |
| РС                     | 2          | 2               |
| PCP                    | 0          | 0               |
| CSG                    | 4          | 1               |
|                        | 12         | 6               |
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articipated in more than ½ of the meetings

UC = Commercial and Business Users Constituency, IPC = Intellectual Property nstituency, NCSG = Non-Commercial Stakeholder Group, ISPCP = Internet Service and nnection Provider Constituency

### **The Initial Report**



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- Results of registrar survey
- Overview of WG deliberations
- Compliance information
- Results of WG survey outlining options for further consideration





### egistrar Survey



- Objective to review current registrar practices regarding expiration, renewal, and post-expiration recovery
- Survey covers top 9 registrars by total domains which represent approx. 66% of domains registered
- Many different approaches amongst registrars – is this good or bad? Is it understandable for registrants what happens after expiration?

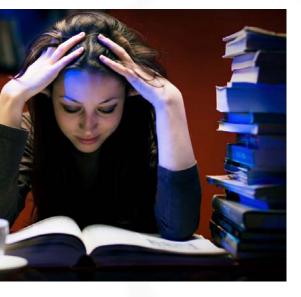


#### G Survey



- Objective was to assess the views of WO members and determine where there might be agreement or consensus on a possible approach forward
- Results of survey are covered in report some show clear path forward, others a more diverse
- Main difference of opinion seems to be policy (mandatory) vs. best practice (optional)
- Next step will be to decide how to move from survey responses to recommendation

#### G Survey Questions



- Overarching issues (ability to recover & minimum timeframe)
  - Period prior to expiration (clarification of EDDP provision, notice details)
- Post-Expiration (WHOIS status messages, notices, what happens with email / non-email services, transfer)
- Contractual conditions (understanding / availability, fee info)
- Redemption Grace Period (consensus policy, transfer)

#### ext Steps



- Get your feedback today and during the public comment forum
- Continue deliberations and work towards consensus on recommendations
- Second public comment period on draft recommendations (tbc)
- Develop Final Report

#### irther Information



- Post-Expiration Domain Name Recovery Initial Report
  - http://gnso.icann.org/issues/pednr/ pednr-initial-report-31may10-en.pdf
- Monitor the PEDNR WG workspace <u>https://st.icann.org/post-expiration-</u> <u>dn-recovery-wg/</u>
- Public Comment Forum (to be opened following ICANN meeting) <u>http://www.icann.org/en/public-</u> <u>comment/</u>



# ity to recover



- Should a registrant have the ability to renew after the expiration date?
- If so, for how long?

- Opinions split between mandatory ability to recover (change in policy) or recommend as a best practice
- Timeframes suggested range from <</li>
  29 days to > 40 days



## ration Notices



 In how much detail should the RAA specify how many notices must be sent to registrant prior to registration, when they should be sent, and how they should be sent (currently 2 are implied, with no further details)?

- Most WG members agree that at least two notices within a specific timeframe need to be sent
- Less agreement on whether further details are required

# OlS Information

 Should it be obvious from WHOIS that a domain has expired and not renewed by the registrant (or their agent)?



Most WG members agree WHOIS status messages related to expiration be clarified to avoid confusion over when a domain name registration expires



# t should happen



 What should happen when the domain is accessed via the web; when email is sent to address at the domain; or other IP services are used?

Different views amongst WG members



## emption Grace Period (RGP)



Should offering of the RGP be mandatory for both registries and registrars?

Small majority is of the opinion that it should be mandatory





