

SECOND AMENDMENT TO THE LETTER OF INTENT

This **SECOND AMENDMENT TO THE LETTER OF INTENT (“Amendment 2”)** is effective as of December 1, 2024 (the “**Amendment 2 Effective Date**”) and is entered into by and between the **INTERNET CORPORATION FOR ASSIGNED NAMES AND NUMBERS**, a California non-profit public benefit corporation (“**ICANN**”) and **VERISIGN, INC.**, a Delaware corporation (“**Verisign**”), and amends the parties’ executed binding Letter of Intent effective as of March 27, 2020, as amended by the First Amendment to the Letter of Intent dated July 1, 2023 (the “**LOI**”). Capitalized terms used herein shall have the meanings assigned to them in the LOI. ICANN and Verisign may be referred to individually as a “Party” and collectively as the “Parties.”

WHEREAS, ICANN and Verisign desire to work with the ICANN community to help advance the multilingual Internet to enable and foster digital inclusivity;

WHEREAS, the Parties desire to amend the terms of the LOI; and

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the promises, mutual covenants and agreements in this Amendment 2, and other good and valuable consideration the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, the Parties agree as follows:

1. The Parties agree to add the following new sentence to the end of Section 3 (Term) in the LOI.

“The Parties agree to negotiate in good faith to extend the Term of the LOI on substantially similar terms before the December 31, 2025 expiration date.”

2. The Parties agree to add the following new Section 5 in the LOI:

“5. Multilingual Internet Development: Verisign and ICANN agree to work in good faith within the ICANN community and within ICANN processes to:

- A. develop Internationalized Domain Name (“IDN”) solutions that improve the accessibility of the DNS in local languages and/or scripts, while continuing to maintain the security, stability and resiliency of the DNS. This may include supporting the development of the following, as appropriate: (i) new or improved data in the form of Label Generation Rules, or core harmonized IDN tables; (ii) open-source code for processing IDN Tables and advanced functions; and/or (iii) relevant standards related to IDNs and their variant domains at standards making bodies, such as the Internet Engineering Task Force (“IETF”); and

- B. work within the technical and script communities to develop flexible “best practices” based on the IDN solutions developed pursuant to subclause (A) above.”
3. ICANN and Verisign shall work together in good faith to: (i) determine the appropriate process for ICANN to publish certain information (as advised by the Security and Stability Advisory Committee in its 03 November 2015 Advisory (SAC074) and approved by the ICANN Board of Directors) contained in any Registry Operator incident disclosure made pursuant to Appendix 11, Section (d) of the .com Registry Agreement; and (ii) amend the .com and .net Registry Agreements to permit such publication consistent with similar obligations for other registry operators.
 4. LOI; No Other Amendment; Reaffirmation. Except as amended by this Amendment 2, the LOI shall remain in full force and effect according to its terms and shall be read and construed as if the terms of this Amendment 2 were included therein. The Parties acknowledge and agree that each shall be bound and obligated to perform all of its respective obligations under the LOI as amended by this Amendment 2, and that all references in such document to the LOI shall mean and include the LOI as amended hereby.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have caused this Amendment 2 to be executed by their respective representatives as of the Amendment 2 Effective Date.

INTERNET CORPORATION FOR ASSIGNED NAMES AND NUMBERS

By: _____

Name: Sally Costerton

Title: Interim President and Chief Executive Officer

Date: _____

VERISIGN, INC.

By: _____

Name: D. James Bidzos

Title: Executive Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer

Date: _____