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Attn: Ian Sheldon, Internet Governance Team

Dear Mr Sheldon,

I write to you on behalf of Afilias Australia, the Registry Services Provider for the .au country code Top Level Domain and technology partner of the .au Domain Administration (auDA).

In the spirit of multi-stakeholder engagement, we are pleased to comment on the Department's new proposed Terms of Endorsement for auDA.

auDA has undertaken significant reform since the 2018 government review and today effectively manages the .au domain in the interests of Australian internet users.

Afilias considers the new proposed Terms of Endorsement accurately reflect the internet community's expectations. Among other things, they will enable auDA to continue its promotion of competition, fair trading and consumer protection; ensure the .au domain can support a broad range of social and economic activity and ensure the .au domain remains stable and secure.

We look forward to working alongside them into the future.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Patrick M. Donaldson". The signature is fluid and cursive, written over a light grey horizontal line.

Patrick Donaldson
Director
Afilias Australia Pty Ltd.