

## Cover Note to XYZ's Proposed Amendments to the .Car, .Cars, .Auto Registry-Registrar Agreements

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To the members of the Registrar Stakeholder Group,

Effective 23 July 2020, XYZ.COM LLC ("XYZ") became the Registry Operator for the .Car, .Cars and .Auto top-level domains (the "TLDs") through an ICANN-approved assignment of the Registry Agreement for the TLDs. We acquired the TLDs from Cars Registry Limited ("CRL"), which was a joint venture between XYZ and UNI Naming & Registry ("UNR").

Pursuant to Section 8.9 of the UNR Registrar Accreditation Agreement, which was used by CRL for the TLDs (the "RRAs"), all of CRL's rights under the Acquired RRAs transferred to XYZ.

XYZ intends to amend the RRAs pursuant to the ICANN Procedure for Consideration of Proposed Amendments to gTLD Registry-Registrar Agreements. This cover letter is being provided pursuant to Paragraph 1 of that procedure.

Enclosed with this cover letter are (a) clean versions of the proposed updated RRAs, and (b) tracked versions with redlines from the existing RRAs. The purpose of the amendments to the RRAs is to (1) account for the transition of back-end registry services for the TLDs from UNR to CentralNic, and (2) bring the RRAs in line with XYZ's existing registry-registrar agreements for its other top-level domains.

The updated RRAs are identical to the existing Registry-Registrar Agreements for .Hair, Skin, .Makeup, .Beauty, .Quest, .Baby, .College, .Storage, .Security, .Protection and .Theatre, except for contact info changes and font changes. The updated RRAs are identical to the .xyz Registry-Registry Agreement except for (a) the same font and contact info changes described above, (b) one paragraph that moved location within the RRA and (c) two premium pricing paragraphs that are moved out of the RRA and into a separate pricing schedule found on the CentralNic Registrar Console.

We look forward to continuing working with you all on these exciting TLDs under the XYZ portfolio. If you have any questions about these amendments or anything else, don't hesitate to reach out to me at grant@team.xyz.

Sincerely,

**Grant Carpenter** 

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