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Subject: ICANN Determination to not transition operation of the .TELECITY TLD

On 15 June 2018, TelecityGroup International Limited ("TelecityGroup" or "Registry Operator") submitted a formal Notice of Termination of the .TELECITY Registry Agreement entered into on 19 February 2015. Pursuant to Section 4.4(b) of the Registry Agreement, a registry operator may terminate the Registry Agreement for any reason upon one hundred eighty (180) calendar day advance notice.

Pursuant to the terms of Section 4.5 of the Registry Agreement, ICANN consulted with TelecityGroup to assess whether to transition operation of the .TELECITY TLD to a successor registry operator. ICANN's review and determination are subject to Section 4.5 of the Registry Agreement (as modified for a .Brand TLD). ICANN has determined that operation of the .TELECITY TLD need not be transitioned to a successor registry operator based on the following rationale:

1. .TELECITY qualifies as a .Brand TLD.
2. All domain name registrations in .TELECITY have at all times been registered to and maintained by the Registry Operator or its affiliates for their exclusive use.
3. Registry Operator has not at any time sold, distributed, or transferred control or use of any registrations in the .TELECITY TLD to any third party that is not an affiliate.
4. Transitioning the TLD is not necessary to protect the public interest.

In conformance with Section 4.5 of the Registry Agreement (as modified by Section 6 of Specification 13 for this .Brand TLD), ICANN may not delegate the TLD to a successor registry operator for a period of two years without Registry Operator's consent, which shall not be unreasonably withheld, conditioned or delayed.

Based on the above considerations, the ongoing compliance matters related to the .TELECITY TLD, and circumstances particular to this Registry Operator, ICANN will proceed to terminate the .TELECITY Registry Agreement and retire the TLD as soon as feasible.

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