

March 15, 2015

Mr. Akram Atallah
President, Global Domains Division
ICANN
12025 Waterfront Drive, Suite 300
Los Angeles, CA 90094

Re: Amendment to .BANK Registry-Registrar Agreement

Dear Mr. Atallah,

fTLD Registry Services, LLC (fTLD) is submitting the attached amendment to its .BANK Registry-Registrar Agreement (RRA) consistent with ICANN's Procedure for Consideration of Proposed Amendments to gTLD Registry-Registrar Agreements (the "Procedure"). fTLD has consulted with the ICANN-accredited registrars that have signed our RRA as well as all those who have executed a non-disclosure agreement with us in order to receive the RRA and other confidential information. We have received 13 responses of support for the amendment, including all registrars that have executed the RRA, and one response seeking additional clarity from a registrar that is considering whether or not to support .BANK.

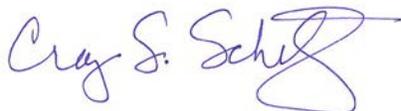
The purposes of the proposed amendment are:

1. Section 3.15: To remove the prohibition of the use of resellers by registrars and to require registrars to contractually bind resellers to the obligations of their registrars under the RRA. fTLD received feedback from registrars that the ability to use resellers is important to them and would enhance their ability to support .BANK;
2. Section 4.1.1: To clarify the exception under which fTLD may refund a portion of the registration fees; and
3. Exhibit B: To add part 4, Registrant-Verification Fee and part 9, Registry Operator Direct Invoicing for Reimbursements. These changes are linked to #2 above and if fTLD refunds a portion of the registration fees it will have incurred out-of-pocket expenses to Symantec, its verification agent, and thus has added this component to recover these costs by invoicing the registrar.

Given the consultation fTLD has already conducted and the unanimous support it has received from all that have executed our RRA, we hereby request ICANN expedite the review and approval process.

As always, please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions.

Sincerely,



Craig Schwartz
Managing Director

Attachment