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Mr Alan Cameron AO Chair auDA Board Level 17 1 Collins Street Melbourne VIC 3004

Dear Mr Carneron

I am writing to inform you that the Australian Government has just published revised Terms of Endorsement (ToE) for auDA. This document replaces the previous version of the ToE, which came into effect in April 2018. A copy of the new ToE is attached.

The ToE is an important mechanism for the Government to communicate its expectations to auDA. Managing the .au domain space, which is a critical piece of Australia's internet infrastructure, requires adherence to a range of high-level principles and operational best practice. I am pleased to note that auDA has been meeting these standards for some time now.

This revised ToE is the result of a review conducted by the Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development and Communications, which consulted with many stakeholders. auDA was, of course, an important stakeholder, and I would like to thank you and the rest of auDA's Board and management for your engagement throughout the review. The new ToE is more principles-based than the previous version, to better define auDA's role in managing .au.

Having published an updated ToE, the Government requests that within 30 days auDA provide written confirmation to myself indicating whether it accepts the new terms.

In keeping with principles of openness and transparency, I recommend that the Department and auDA should publish our correspondence on their respective websites.

Yours sincerely

Paul Fletcher

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