February 26, 1999

Mr. David Graves  
Director, Business Affairs  
Network Solutions, Incorporated  
505 Huntmar Park Drive  
Herndon, Virginia 22070

Re: Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers (ICANN) designated as "NewCo" for certain purposes under Cooperative Agreement No. NCR-9218742, as amended.

Dear Mr. Graves:

Amendment 11 to the above referenced Cooperative Agreement contemplates certain activities on the part of "NewCo," the not-for-profit corporation described in the "Management of Internet Names and Addresses" 63 Fed. Reg. 31741 (1998) (hereinafter "Statement of Policy") and recognized by the United States Government in accordance with the provisions of the Statement of Policy, for so long as the United States Government continues its recognition of "NewCo."

Pursuant to a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the U.S. Department of Commerce and the Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers (ICANN) dated November 25, 1998, the United States agreed with ICANN to collaborate to design, develop, and test the mechanisms, methods, and procedures that should be in place and the steps necessary to transition management responsibility for Internet domain name system (DNS) functions now performed by, or on behalf of, the United States Government to the private sector. The term of this agreement is September 30, 2000, unless otherwise terminated or amended by the parties.

Accordingly, in the performance of its obligations under the MOU, and until such time as the MOU is terminated, ICANN shall be considered as the "NewCo" identified in Amendment 11 of the Cooperative Agreement for the purposes of carrying out the functions and activities ascribed to "NewCo" in that Amendment.

Sincerely,

/s/ Becky Burr by Karen Rose  
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Associate Administrator for International Affairs (Acting)