

Statement

auDA statement on Donuts Inc. planned acquisition of Afilias, Inc.

20 November 2020

Donuts Inc. has today announced an agreement to purchase Afilias, Inc. subject to completion of regulatory requirements.

Under its Registry License Agreement, any Change of Control of its Registry Operator, Afilias Australia Pty Ltd., requires the written consent of auDA. auDA has commenced a formal due diligence process to inform its decision regarding consent.

The process will seek to ensure Donuts Inc., as the new ultimate holding company, can meet the high standards that Afilias Australia Pty Ltd is required to meet, and that Afilias Australia Pty Ltd will continue to deliver the stable, secure and reliable operation of the .au domain space.

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About auDA:

.au Domain Administration Limited (auDA) is a not-for-profit organisation that works with a range of stakeholders including industry, government and the Australian and International community to develop the rules for and administer the .au country code Top Level Domain (ccTLD). The .au ccTLD is a key to part of Australia's digital infrastructure, and auDA is endorsed by the Australian Government, and has an agreement with the Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers (ICANN), to ensure that the .au domain namespace is a secure, reliable and trusted Australian public asset for all Internet users.