

CALL FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

Zone Transfer Policy review

InternetNZ, through the Office of the Domain Name Commissioner, is reviewing its policy regarding the release of the .nz zone file to organisations outside the registry company. The current policy can be seen at http://dnc.org.nz/content/zone_transfer.pdf.

The .nz zone file consists of all .nz domain names delegated to the zone, together with details of the name servers the domains are hosted on.

Specific issues the review will be considering include:

- Should any organisation outside of the registry company be permitted to obtain a copy of the .nz zone file?
- If organisations are permitted to obtain a copy of the .nz zone file, what criteria should be in place to assess whether their use of the zone file is appropriate?
- Should authorised registrars automatically be able to receive a copy of the .nz zone file?
- How frequently should copies of the .nz zone file be available to any approved organisations?
- What information, if any, should any party receiving the .nz zone file be able to make public?
- Does the release of the .nz zone file have a negative impact on the security of the information held?

The review is being made in the context of the whole .nz policy framework and will include consideration of wider issues – especially privacy matters. Responses that reflect the wider context will be particularly useful to the review.

Public comment, on these issues or on any other aspect of the Zone Transfer Policy, is sought by **Thursday 16 October 2003**.

Please email all comments to policies@dnc.org.nz or fax to (04) 495 2115.

All comments will be published on the DNC website in PDF format.