## **Statement of Interest for RZERC**

**Member:** Howard J. Eland (RySG)

## Affiliation and current position:

Senior Director, DNS Infrastructure Group Afilias USA, Inc.

## Type(s) of work performed:

Responsible for over 10 years for the stability and performance of the Domain Name System (DNS) for many Top-Level Domains (TLDs), such as .INFO and .ORG; country code TLDs like India (.IN) and Sweden (.SE); new TLDS such as .RED and .LAMBORGHINI; and Internationalized Domain Names like .移动 and .式可o可. We host an F root instance. There are also several industry related zones that we provide DNS service for, including ietf.org and AS112 addresses. In all, over 55 million resources records.

I have worked through many root zones changes for our zones with the IANA function. My team signed the .ORG zone in 2009. I continue to provide technical guidance to the Public Interest Registry (which runs .ORG), including working with ICANN in RSTEP requests and devising DNSSEC key management procedures. Worked as a SME for the Department of Homeland Security on DNS Risk Management as part of the National Infrastructure Protection Plan. See CV for more details.

Please list financial or other material relationship beyond de minimums stock ownership that you, your employer, or an immediate family member/significant other has with ICANN or with any individual, company, or other entity that to your knowledge has a current or planned financial or other material relationship with ICANN:

Afilias, as a registry operator, has several contracts with ICANN which delegate Top Level Domains to us.

Afilias has several employees which interact with ICANN on a regular basis, including a Board of Director, and members of many chartered organizations (RySG, SSAC). Howard, other than being an employ of Afilias, personally has no other relationship with ICANN,

financial or otherwise.