DRAFT POLICY ARIN-2014-14:
NEEDS ATTESTATION FOR SOME IPV4 TRANSFERS
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Recent History

- Work had started to move to RDP based on objections failing to stand up to scrutiny (IMO) and PDP section stating, "Any specific concerns expressed by a significant portion of the community must be explicitly noted and addressed in the assessment of the policy change."

- The earlier Problem Statement was overtaken by events: most work on transfers due to due diligence on transferor, not needs of transferee; staffing problem fixed.

- At the last meeting there was reluctance to abandon based on significant support for continued work even with warts

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New Problem Statement (extract)

- The cost of performing a needs assessment and auditing of this information vs. the public benefit of restricting allocations to specifically qualified organizations has been noted by some organizations to be out of alignment.

- The current needs testing requirements may be more than is necessary and desirable for small transfers.

- This policy seeks to reduce the complexity of transfers by removing the utilization needs testing requirement and replacing it with a needs attestation by a corporate officer.

- This draft adds ancillary requirements to reduce the community's concern that this type of policy could be abused for speculation or hoarding.

- The draft policy includes a sunset clause to limit the total number of transfers under this policy proposal so that the issue is automatically revisited by the community.

Revised Draft Policy text (highlights)

- The new draft policy reorganizes the existing text and then creates a new class of transfers which are permitted via a needs attestation.

- The text for both 8.3 (ARIN transfers) & 8.4 (Inter-RIR transfers) is similar.

Needs Attestation requirements for Recipient Organizations:

1. The organization, its parent(s), or subsidiary organizations, must not have received IPv4 address resources, via transfer, within the past 12 months.
2. An officer of the organization must attest that the IPv4 address block is needed for and will be used on an operational network.
3. The maximum transfer size is /20.
4. Fewer than 5,000 needs attestation transfers have occurred.

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Current Draft Policy Status

- Very little discussion has occurred on the PPML since the new problem statement and draft was posted.

- No significant support is currently seen for this revised draft.

- Unless the tide changes on this draft, and the AC has specific changes that would create significant community support, the shepherds intend to move toward abandoning this draft policy.

Status

- To move to RDP this needs 3 things:

- To enable fair and impartial number administration

- To be technically sound

- To have support in the community

Questions

- Do you believe that the current problem statement is valid and that the community needs to solve it?

- Does this policy fix the problem (as illuminated in the problem statement) in a method that you support?

- If you don't support this policy, but believe the problem statement is valid and should be fixed, how would you rewrite the policy so you could support it?