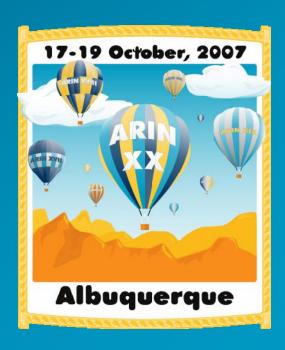
Policy Experience Report

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Purpose

- Review Existing Policies
 - Ambiguous text
 - Inconsistencies
 - Gaps
- Provide Feedback
- Make Recommendations



Policy Reviewed

Bulk Whois (NRPM 3)



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Relevant Text – Section 3.1
"The ARIN WHOIS data is for Internet operational or technical research purposes pertaining to Internet operations only."



Issues/Questions

- What constitutes "Internet operational purposes" and "technical research pertaining to Internet operations"?
- What is the actual intent of the policy and the AUP?
 - Should the "technical research" benefit the entire Internet/Internet community or only the requesting organization and its customers?
- Requests are diverse, policy text is vague and undefined; could lead to inconsistent application of the policy by staff



Current Staff Practice

- Staff developed a series of qualifying questions to help determine the exact purpose of the request
- Policy is applied liberally; benefit of the doubt given to requestor



Recommendation

Revise terminology to specify exactly what "Internet operational or technical research purposes pertaining to Internet operations only" means