# **IPv6 Interim Policy Draft**

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#### **Overview**

- Goals
- Key Issues Addressed
- FAQ
- Questions



### **Review Process**

- Oct 1999-Dec 2001
  - Feedback from RIR communities, IETF
  - Major progress Aug 2001 (Taipei)
  - Global mailing list created Oct 2001
- Dec 2001
  - Initial interim draft policy document
- April 25
  - Revised interim draft
  - Modified initial criteria based on RIPE input
- Consensus in ARIN and APNIC regions



#### Goals

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  - Achieve interim global policy
  - Encourage IPv6 deployment
- Goals today
  - Explain contents of new draft
  - Seek 'workable consensus'



## Key Issues Addressed

- Provide a larger initial allocation
- Facilitate access to IPv6 addresses
- Consider previous deployment experience for allocation size
- Provide convenient 'utilisation' method



## FAQ – Allocation Size

- Is there a minimum allocation size?
  - Yes, a /32
  - It will be allocated if you meet the criteria
- Is there a maximum allocation size?
  - No
  - Your actual need, based on IPv4 and/or IPv6 assignment history, will be considered



#### FAQ – Allocation Criteria

- How do I get an IPv6 allocation?
  - Must satisfy criteria
    - Be an LIR and
    - Not be an end site and
    - Plan to provide IPv6 connectivity to organisations and to end sites and
    - Have a plan for making at least 200 /48 assignments to other organisations within two years



# FAQ – Allocation Criteria

- Can I get more than a /32?
  - Yes, enough to enable you to provide
    IPv6 service to all of your IPv4 customers
    - No more than initial /32 will be given to requestors who cannot demonstrate previous assignment history



#### **FAQ** – Definitions

- What is a 'end site'?
  - An 'end user' who has a business relationship with a provider carrying traffic
    - E.g Consumer (dial up/cable/DSL)
    - E.g Enterprise (leased line)
- How do you measure 'utilisation'?
  - Count the number of /48s assigned. No need to consider usage within each /48



### **FAQ** – License Framework

- Are allocations permanent?
  - No, they are 'licensed' for use
- Is the license permanent?
  - No, renewed periodically
  - Automatic renewal
    - Assuming good faith by LIR



## FAQ – HD Ratio

- What is the 'Host Density (HD)' ratio?
  - In a hierarchical address plan, as the size of the allocation increases, the density of assignments will decrease
- Do I need to calculate HD ratio?
  - No, just use the table in the policy document
- Why do I need to know about it?
  - Defines the point at which you should come back to the RIR for more address space
  - Helps with measuring how much to allocate



# **Example: HD Ratio 0.8**

IPv6		Total site addrs		
prefix	Site addr bits	in /48s	Threshold	Util%
42	6	64	28	43.5%
36	12	4096	776	18.9%
35	13	8192	1351	16.5%
32	16	65536	7132	10.9%
29	19	524288	37641	7.2%
24	24	16777216	602249	3.6%
16	32	4294967296	50859008	1.2%
8	40	1099511627776	4294967296	0.4%
3	45	35184372088832	68719476736	0.2%

RFC3194 "The Host-Density Ratio for Address Assignment Efficiency"



## **Subsequent Allocations**

- Registration necessary to determine 'usage'
  - Count /48s assigned
  - Meet utilisation threshold in HD ratio table for prefix
- Allocation size
  - Existing allocation doubled
    - E.g. /32 will be expanded to a /31
  - May be larger
    - Allocations based on two year plan



#### Other Issues

- LIR to ISP allocation
  - Policy determined by LIR
    - Must be able to meet HD ratio for subsequent allocations
    - LIR responsible for tracking all /48s
- DB registration
  - All /48 and shorter prefix allocations and assignments must be registered
- Existing /35 holders
  - Eligible to have /35 expanded to a single /32 prefix



## **Assignments**

- Previous global consensus
  - /48 generally
  - /64 only one subnet
  - /128 only one device connecting
- Multiple /48s
  - Should be reviewed by RIR/NIR (until experience is gained)
- ISP infrastructure
  - -/48 per POP



#### **Questions?**

- Presentation slides
  - http://www.apnic.net/
- Draft policy document
  - ftp://ftp.cs.duke.edu/pub/narten/ietf/global-ipv6assign-2002-04-25.txt
- Global-v6 mailing list
  - Subscribe <majordomo@lists.apnic.net>

