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Title: Proposed change in the WG2 Principles and Procedures document

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This document is submitted with a request that L2 take it into WG2 as a U.S. position, requesting a change in the WG2 Principles and Procedures document.

The proposal is as follows:

The “ISO/IEC JTC 1/SC 2/WG 2” proposal form should be amended to include a new line under “**A. Administrative**”:

“A2a: **Valid email address for each requester named in line A2**”.

This email address information would be used to ensure that proposal initiators of accepted proposals are involved in the entire review process: as each codechart, names list, etc. is produced/revised and sent out for review, each named person would be notified by email, and given a chance to provide feedback on its correctness within a given period of time.

The primary justification for this proposed change is that, as the system stands now, there is some degree of disconnect between

- (A) the producers of an initial proposal,
- (B) the producers of the fonts,
- (C) the producers of the codecharts, and
- (D) the reviewers of the codecharts.

This disconnection can have bad results, as sometimes only (A) the submitters of the initial proposal have the expertise required for (D) adequate review of documents produced for publication of the standard. In particular, the correctness of the glyphs appearing in codecharts may not be immediately apparent to reviewers, who may not be sensitive to small distinctions in the forms.