

Policy Proposal 2010-006

Registration Requirements for IPv6 End
User Assignments

Current situation

- No need to register assignments of /48 or smaller in the public database (481-5.5)
- Required to register in your own database
 - Without a proper definition of database
 - Without specifying what data there needs to be
- Accessible by the RIR, again without specs
- Needed to calculate HD-ratio
 - Additional allocation requests
 - Audit procedures

Current situation (2)

- Lot of uncertainty and ambiguity
 - Leads to a lot of questions
 - May lead to a lot of problems
- A lot of organizations hold a /32 but actually need a bigger alloc when deploying
- Two options:
 - Clean up and return, request a bigger one
 - Grow the current one (or additional alloc)

IPv4 current practice

- Bigger inetnum object in the database (assigned or infra-aw)
- Implicit one address per customer
- When /20 or above on broadband
 - Upon audit or additional assignment/allocation requests you have to provide stats on actual usage in the block
 - Can be MRTG graphs of DHCP pool etc
- <http://www.ripe.net/rs/ipv4/ipv4-verification.html>

Proposal for IPv6

- Do something similar
- Register an inet6num object containing a less specific block covering your assignments in the public database
- However there is no implicit size per customer
- So you need an attribute to indicate what size assignment every customer gets

Solution

- Introduce a new status (AGGREGATED-BY-LIR)
- Introduce a new attribute (optional) for inet6num called assignment-size
- Make the optional attribute required for the status above (business rule)

Solution (example)

```
inet6num:      2001:980:3000::/36
netname:       XS4ALL-V6-RESIDENTIAL
assignment-size: 48
descr:         IPv6 assignments for residential DSL
descr:         subscribers
descr:         Complaints to abuse@xs4all.nl
country:       NL
admin-c:       XS42-RIPE
tech-c:        XS42-RIPE
status:        AGGREGATED-BY-LIR
mnt-by:        XS4ALL-MNT
changed:       marco@xs4all.net 20110101
source:        RIPE
```

Solution

- Provide statistics similar to IPv4
 - Number of customer in a specific block
- RIPE NCC can do the math
 - Multiply number of customers with size should give the usage
 - From there the HD-ratio is easy
- No discussion on data formats or contents

More benefits

- Everybody $>$ 1000 customers probably has this already in place for v4
- More usage stats end up in the public domain as assignments are registered
- Can aid in aggregation for other purposes
 - Blackhole/block exactly one customer
 - Geo location