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Verisign Announces Increase in .Net Registry Fee

RESTON, VA -- (Marketwire) -- 12/19/12 -- [VeriSign, Inc.](http://www.verisign.com) (NASDAQ: VRSN), the trusted provider of Internet infrastructure services for the networked world, today announced, effective July 1, 2013, an increase in the registry domain name fee for .net top-level domain names, per its agreement with the Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers (ICANN).

As of July 1, 2013, the registry fee for .net will increase from \$5.11 to \$5.62.

About Verisign

VeriSign, Inc. (NASDAQ: VRSN) is the trusted provider of Internet infrastructure services for the networked world. Billions of times each day, Verisign helps companies and consumers all over the world connect between the dots. Additional news and information about the company is available at www.VerisignInc.com.

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