

#### Yahoo Feedback Loop

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#### Agenda

- What is the difference between JMRP, YFBL, JMRP & Yahoo Senders Hub
- Who needs it?
- What is the enrollment process?
- Does it integrate into Everest?



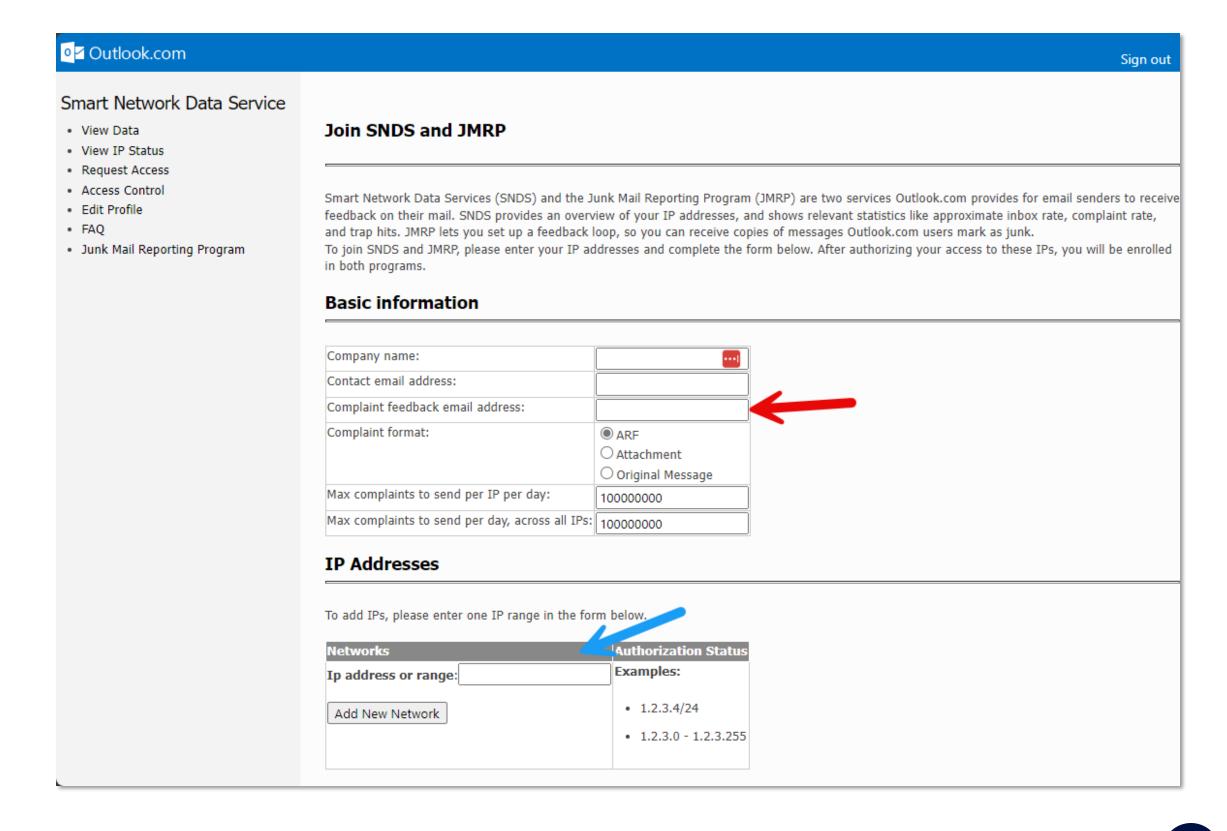


#### JMRP, Yahoo Sender Hub and YFBL

Similarities and differences

#### **JMRP**

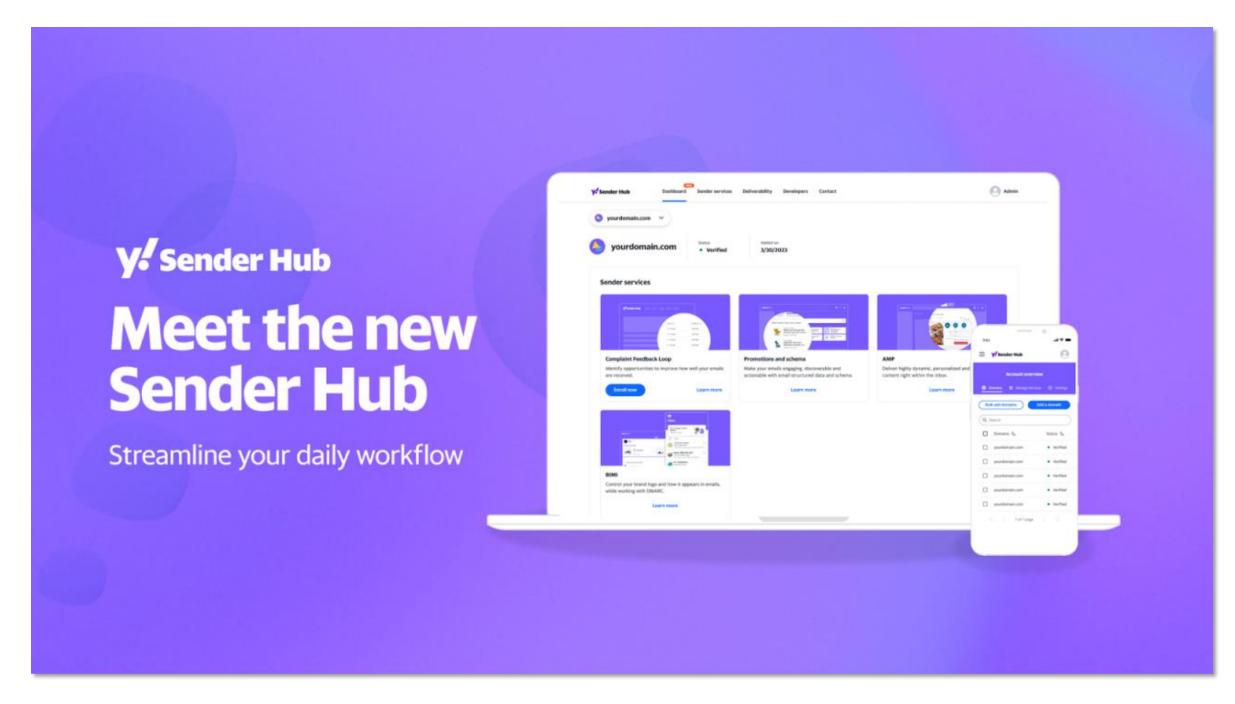
- Outlook.com offers email senders two services for feedback on their mail:
  - Smart Network Data Services (SNDS)
  - Junk Mail Reporting Program (JMRP)
- These services need dedicated IP addresses.
   In shared IP environments, your ESP manages this for you.
- To verify IP ownership, emails are sent to addresses associated with the IP.
- An algorithm automatically chooses these authorization addresses. For selected addresses, they'll send an authorization link.
- Once links are clicked and authorized, access is granted to the data for the associated IPs in SNDS and JMRP messages will be sent to the "Complaint feedback email address:"





#### Yahoo Sender Hub

- A newly introduced platform to assist email senders in managing their email activities.
- Launched in May 2024, it provides tools for bulk email senders and enhanced visibility into Yahoo specific data.
- The only active "tool" is the Complaint Feedback Loop but there are links that promote "Promotion and Schema" (annotations), AMP for email, and BIMI.
- Senders can manage multiple domains from a single interface, it is not IP based!
- Domain ownership is verified by publishing a DNS record, just like Google Postmaster Tools.
- The dashboard offers education into email performance and best practice information, allowing senders to refine their strategies.

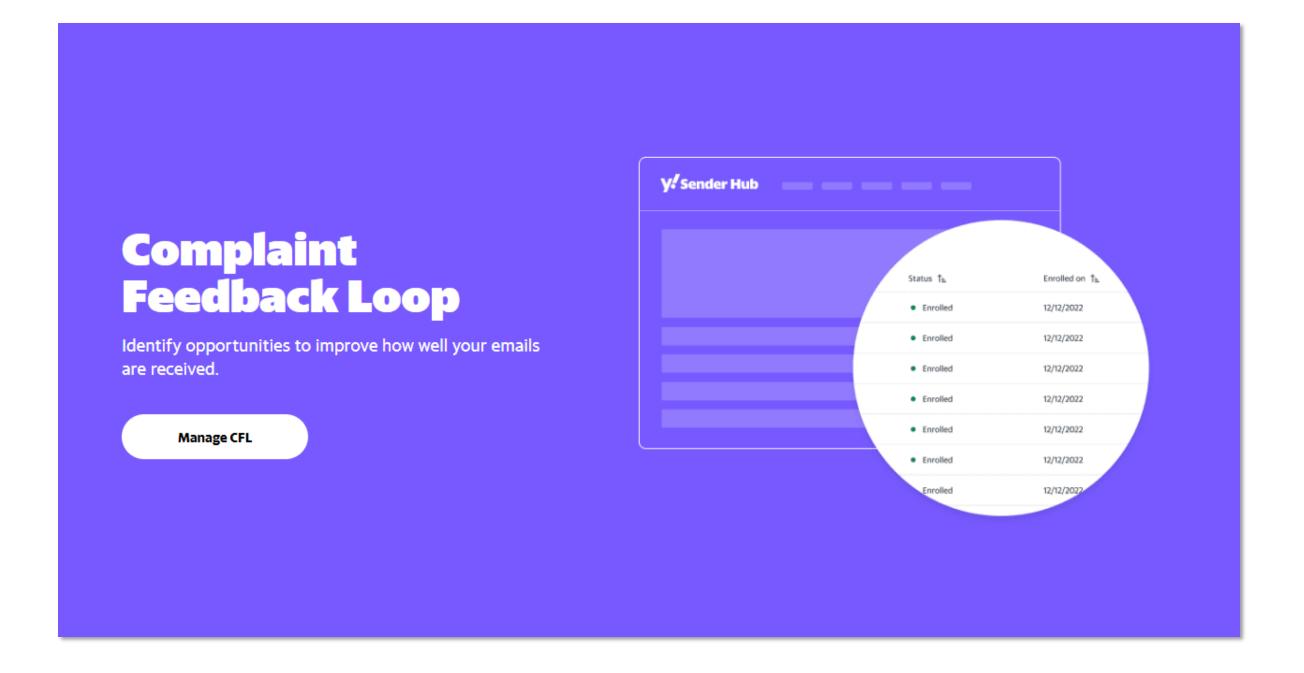


Postmaster @ Yahoo & AOL — It's here! Meet the new Yahoo Sender Hub Dashboard (yahooinc.com)



#### YFBL

- Yahoo's Complaint Feedback Loop (CFL or YFBL) tells senders when recipients mark their emails as Spam.
- YFBL works exclusively with DKIM-signed emails, making it a domain-based service. Senders must sign their emails with DKIM.
- When a message signed with a DKIM key is marked as spam, and the sending domain is enrolled in the CFL program, Yahoo sends a report to the registered address in the Abuse Reporting Format (ARF).





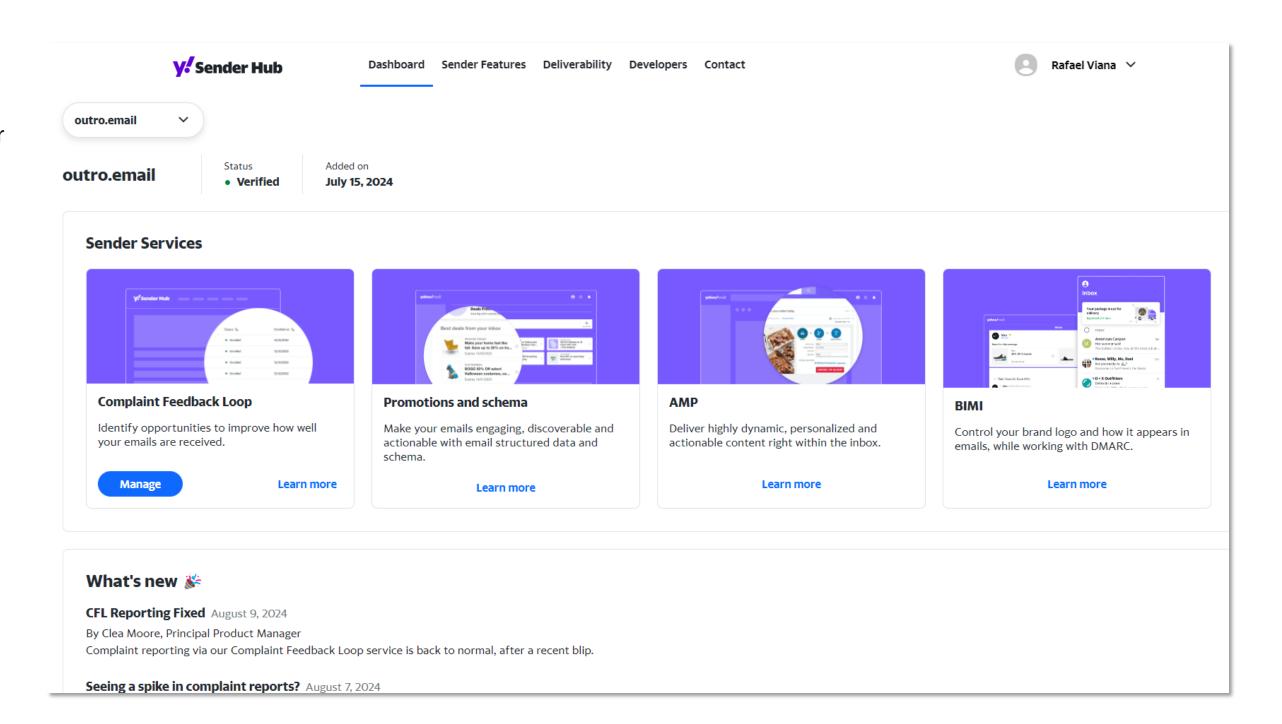
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### Who needs it?

#### Stop, Drop and Roll!?

- While free, its main benefit currently lies in managing CFL enrollment. It's significantly less comprehensive than Google Postmaster Tools.
- Many ESPs are proactively ensuring their clients meet the new Yahoo Sender Hub requirements by automating the registration process.
- However, adding and verifying a sending domain requires a DNS record update. This technical step often poses challenges for marketers who may not understand the process or know who to contact for assistance.
- Some ESPs may require their clients to take action and sign up for YFBL themselves, especially when the client controls the DNS records instead of the ESP.





# Reasons to Enroll in Y! Sender Hub and YFBL

- Existing CFL users must enroll in Sender Hub and re-enroll in YFBL to avoid losing access to valuable complaint data after the old Yahoo CFL service discontinues (happened on August 1, 2024).
- Bulk senders using an in-house email system and processing ARF complaints directly should prioritize enrollment to maintain their feedback loop.
- Even if the sender uses an ESP that handles YFBL enrollment automatically, it's crucial to familiarize with Sender Hub and proactively monitor your deliverability.
- Senders should analyze mailbox provider grouped complaint data from their feedback loop by grouping complaints by domain and tracking their evolution over time.
  - A decrease in incoming complaints from Yahoo-managed addresses (compared to the average before August 1st) strongly indicates a broken FBL reporting system and unprocessed complaints.

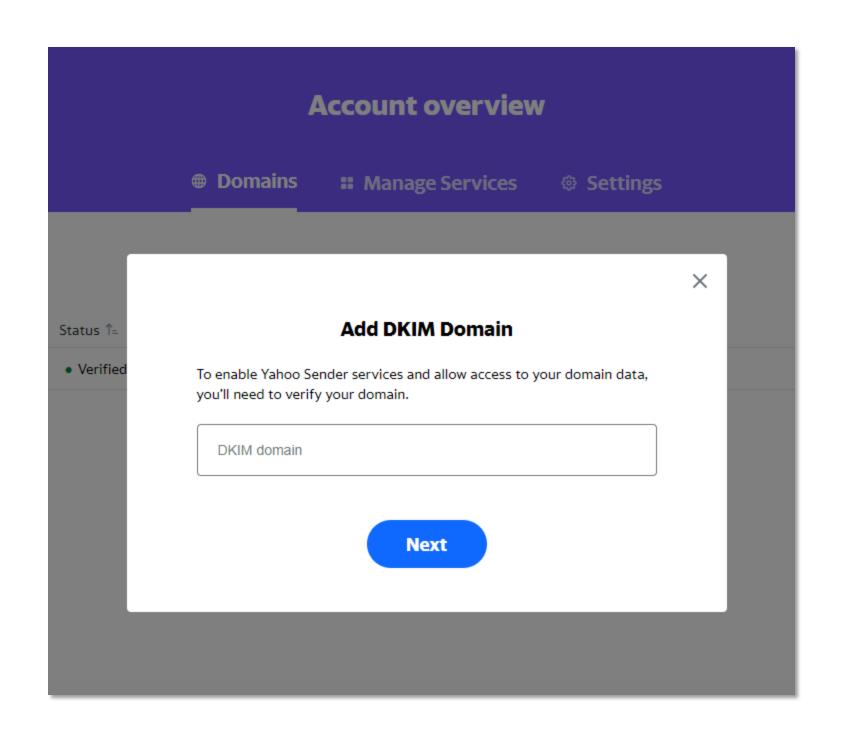


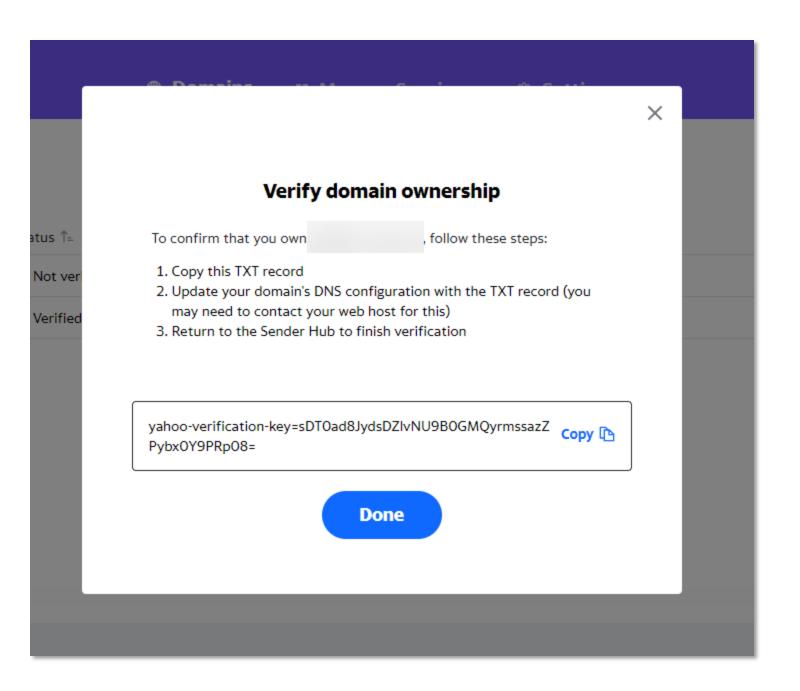


## What is the enrollment process?

I enrolled with Y! Sender Hub and YFBL so you don't have to.

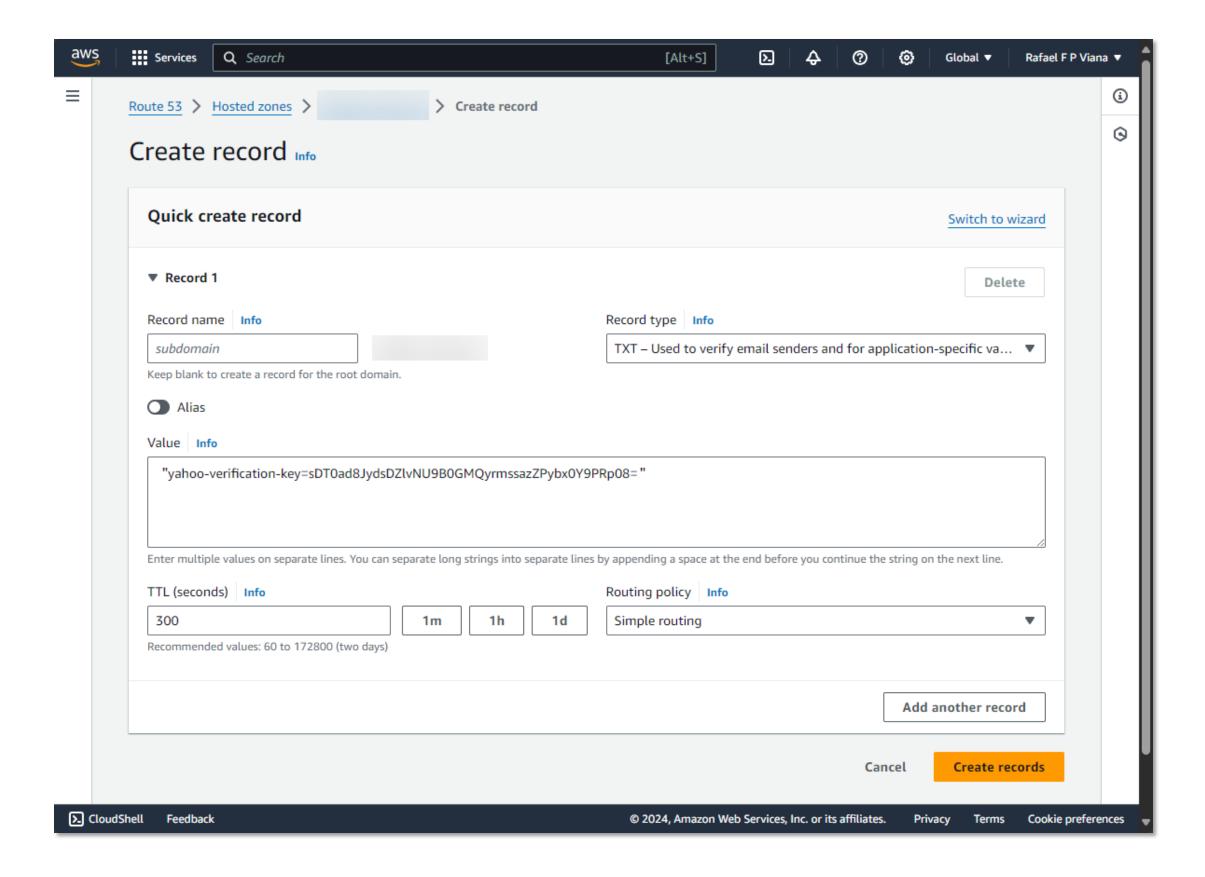
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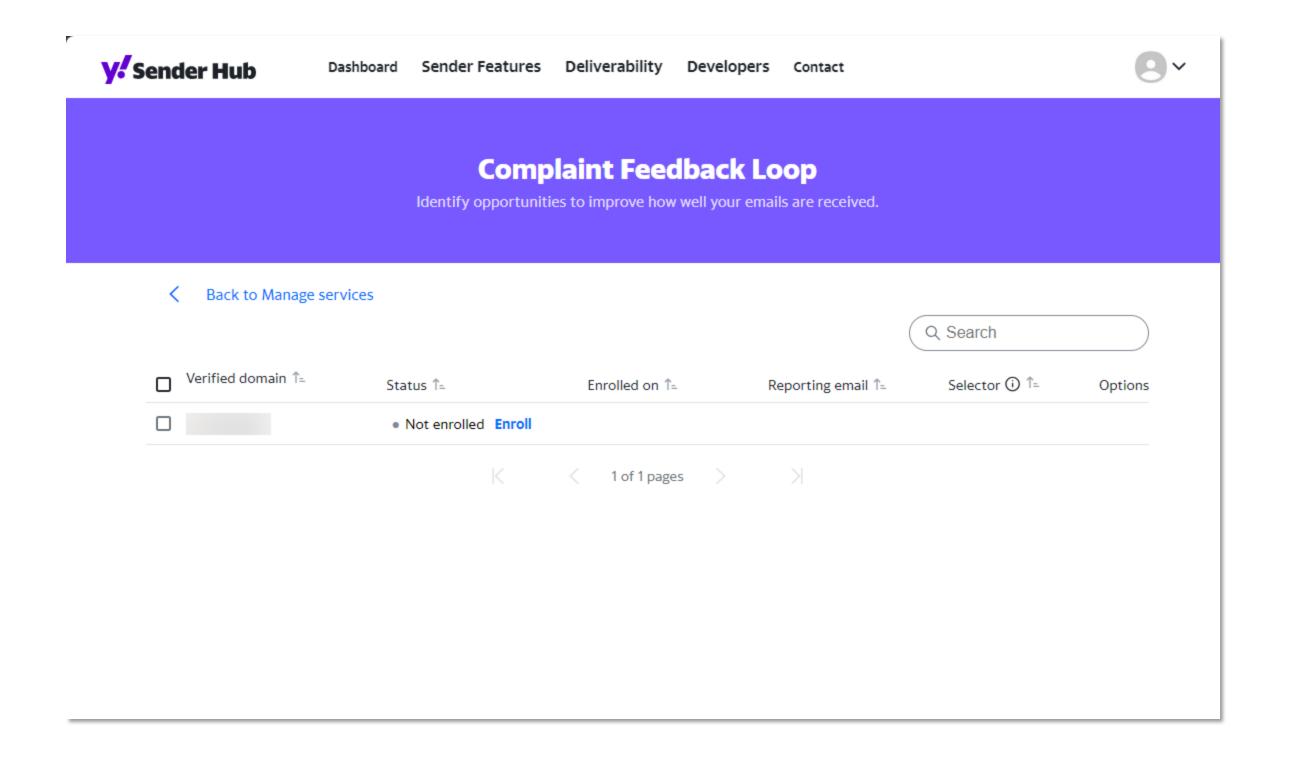


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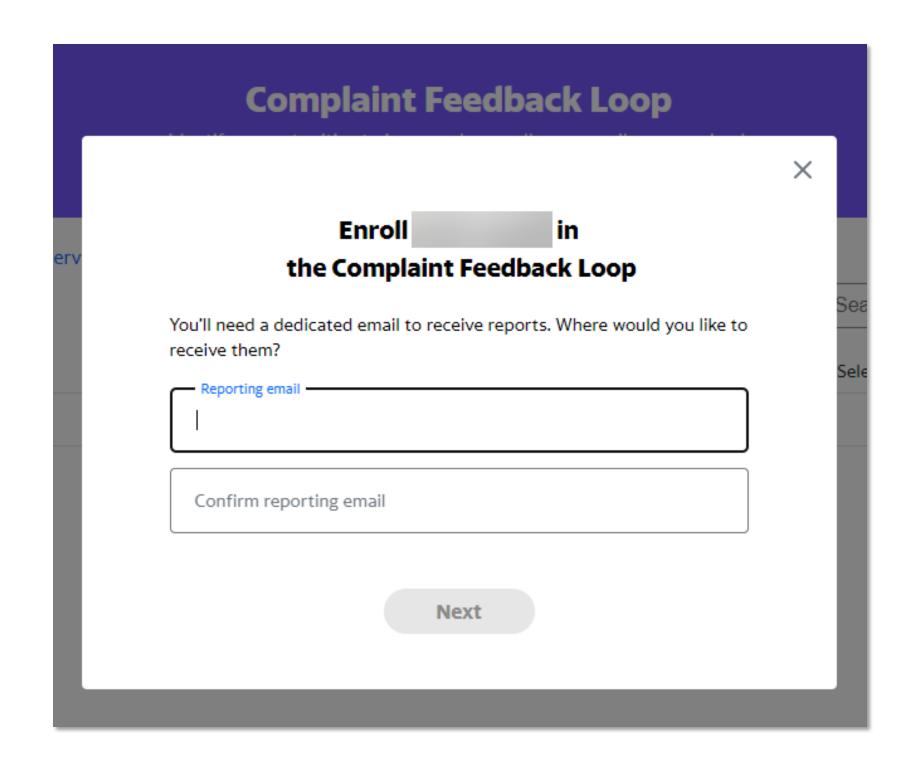


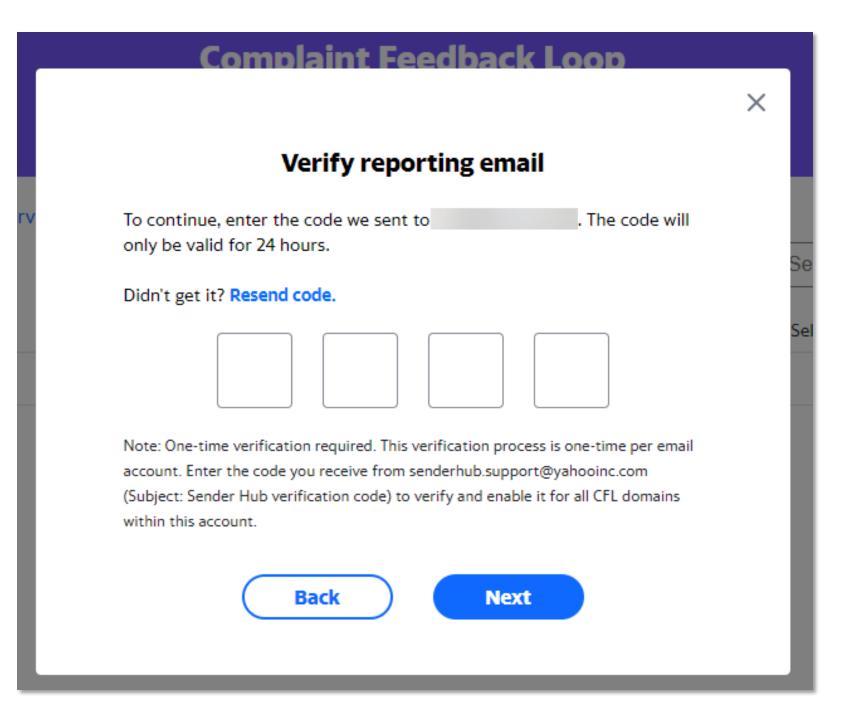
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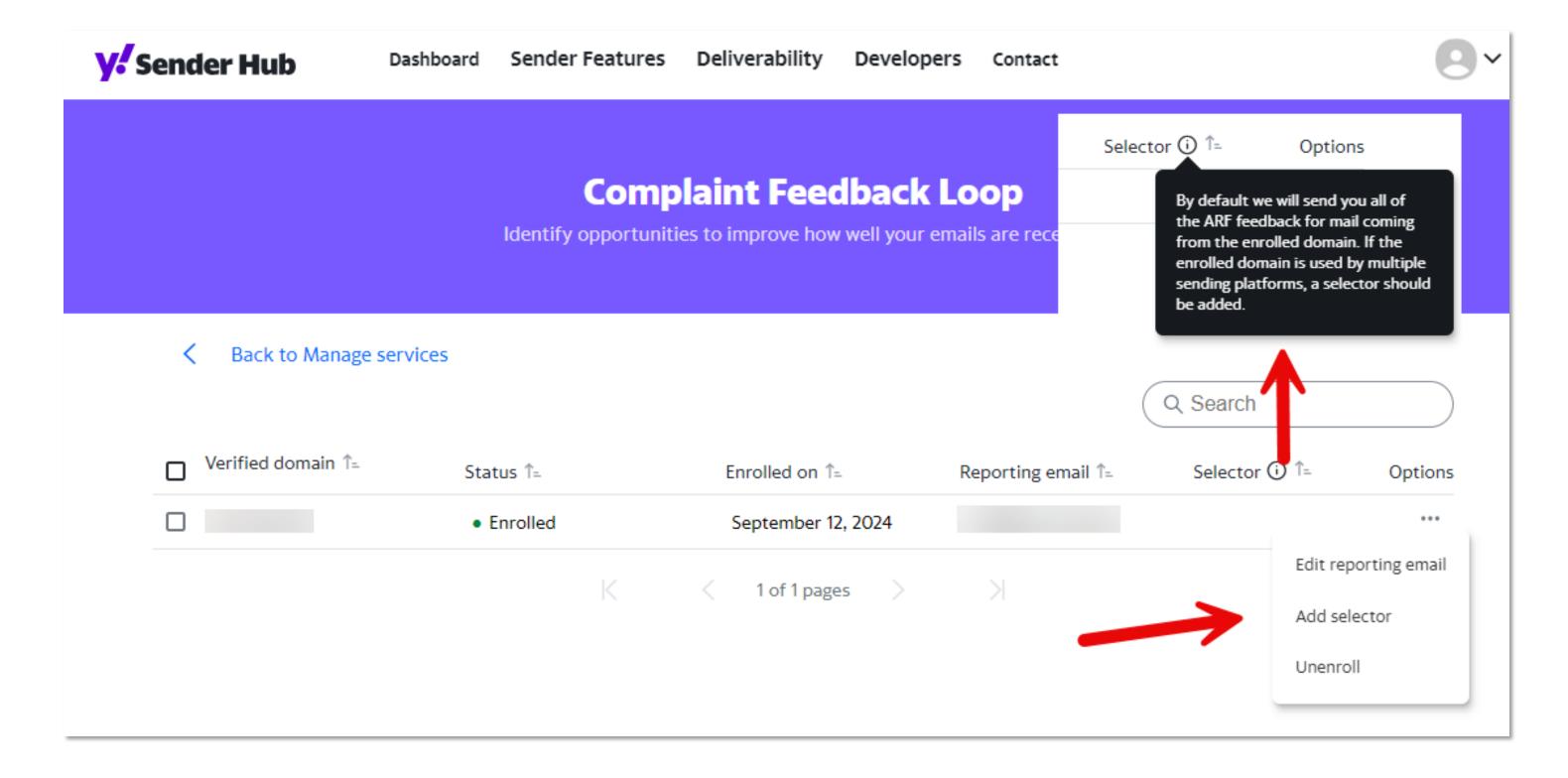
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#### Allow me to ARF-ticulate

- The ARF format is super flexible, handling everything from users reporting spam to anti-spam centers or help desks, to even those "unsubscribe me!" requests.
- It uses a specific MIME type inside a multipart/report attachment, making sure at least the headers of the spammy email are included.
- An ARF-wrapped FBL report provides the subject line, IP and To address from the original email, so you know exactly what people are complaining about.

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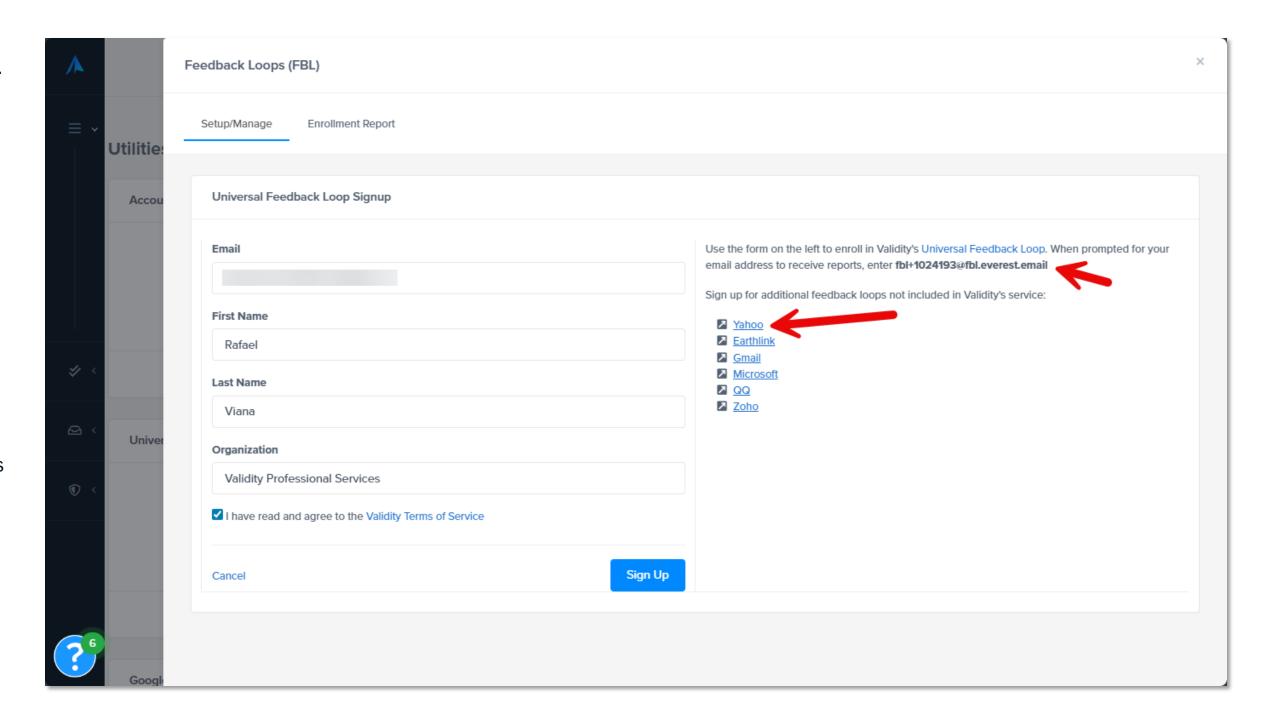
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Date: Thu, 8 Mar 2005 17:40:36 EDT
Subject: FW: Earn money
To: <abuse@example.net>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: multipart/report; report-type=feedback-report;
     boundary="part1 13d.2e68ed54 boundary"
--part1 13d.2e68ed54 boundary
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="US-ASCII"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit
This is an email abuse report for an email message received from IP
192.0.2.2 on Thu, 8 Mar 2005 14:00:00 EDT. For more information
about this format please see http://www.mipassoc.org/arf/.
--part1_13d.2e68ed54_boundary
Content-Type: message/feedback-report
Feedback-Type: abuse
User-Agent: SomeGenerator/1.0
Version: 1
Original-Mail-From: <somespammer@example.net>
Original-Rcpt-To: <user@example.com>
Received-Date: Thu, 8 Mar 2005 14:00:00 EDT
Source-IP: 192.0.2.2
Authentication-Results: mail.example.com;
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Reported-Uri: http://example.net/earn_money.html
Reported-Uri: mailto:user@example.com
Removal-Recipient: user@example.com
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Content-Type: message/rfc822
Content-Disposition: inline
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Received: from mailserver.example.net (mailserver.example.net
     [192.0.2.2]) by example.com with ESMTP id M63d4137594e46;
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## Does it integrate into Everest?

#### Feedback Loops (FBL)

- If you are expecting something like Google
   Postmaster Tools data in Everest, the answer is no.
   Currently Yahoo only provides FBL service.
- Everest's Apps & Integration suite features a tool called Feedback Loops (FBL) to streamline the process of setting up an account with Validity's Universal Feedback Loop Service for our clients.
- If your clients already utilize an ESP, they likely receive uFBL data through the ESP, eliminating the need for this specific integration.
- Note that Yahoo is not included in this service.
   Clients relying on in-house email solutions without an ESP will need to handle Yahoo's FBL enrollment independently.
- This also means they will need to manually process each individual complaint request. Ideally, this should be automated, with complaint data relayed to the in-house system to ensure timely removal of complaining users.
- Currently, Everest doesn't provide a truly universal feedback loop processing service compatible with any FBL provider; it's limited to the 20+ currently listed.







## Q&A

