

Hi everyone,

In the previous quarter, the main goal was to migrate the testnet from pulsar-2 to pulsar-3, and that was challenging but went really well in the end.

Thanks again to the Secret Labs team and other testnet participants.

In terms of budget, we ran for an extra month again, cutting support hours, since that demand was minimal, and reduced the number of funded validators to 8.

We can do with 1 or 2 less now and then, as folks drop off for various reasons, but it's important to maintain diversity, we pick up more issues with different hardware and configuration.

I've also reduced my hourly rate by \$20, and I've reduced the extra nodes we run to support testnet relayers from 3 to 1 node. I'm happy to reassess if there's demand.

The [charter](#) was updated to cleanup some completed tasks, and to add stats to the upcoming quarter. Besides usual maintenance and upgrades, I want to move from Nginx to HAProxy for load balancing.

This will provide better stats out of the box, as well as features like dynamically adding and removing nodes, which should provide an even more robust service.

Thanks kindly for your support.

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