Proposed Question 4 by Greg Shatan – 16 June

- 4. Does the exact match criteria for Trademark Claims Notices limit its usefulness?
 - a. What is the evidence of harm under the existing system?.
- i. Are there studies, reports or articles discussing the harm of typosquatting and other forms of non-exact-match cybersquatting?
- ii. What is the actual experience of brandowners?
- iii. What is the link between non-exact-match cybersquatting and phishing,malware distribution, botnets, counterfeiting, and other related harms?
- iv. What information can be gleaned from UDRP/URS studies? What are the limitations of relying on UDRP/URS studies
- v. What other sources of information should be used to explore the level of harm?
 - b. Should the matching criteria for Notices be expanded?
 - i. If so, how (which criteria) and why?
- A. Review each suggested non-exact match
- ii. What results (including unintended consequences) might each suggested form of expansion of matching criteria have?
 - iii. What balance should be adhered to in striving to deter bad-faith registrations but not good-faith registrations?
 - c. What is the feasibility of each form of expanded matches?
- i. Should the marks in the TMCH be the basis for an expansion of matches for the purpose of providing a broader range of claims notices?
 - ii. Who should be tasked to implement a solution for a expansion of matches?
 - iii. What are the anticipated costs of implementing a solution for a expansion of matches?
- A. Who should bear these costs?
 - d. If an expansion of matches solution were to be implemented:
 - i. Should the existing TM Claims Notice be amended? If so, how?
 - ii. Should users pay a fee to use it?
 - iii. Should the Claim period differ for exact matches versus non-exact matches?