Here is the latest BC policy calendar, for use during 21-Apr member call. Channel 1. BC participation in ICANN Public Comment process:

ICANN Public Comment page is at http://www.icann.org/en/public-comment/

1: Inter-registrar transfer policy (IRTP-B) – proposed final report (31-Mar) BC comments at http://forum.icann.org/lists/irtp-b-proposed-final-report/pdft5io1HogGT.pdf

2: proposed GNSO policy development process (1-Apr) BC comments at http://forum.icann.org/lists/gnso-pdp-final-report/msg00004.html

3: framework for FY2012 operating plan and budget (4-Apr) BC comments at http://forum.icann.org/lists/op-budget-fy2012/pdfgYKGGi2DIr.pdf

4: SSR Review Team (AoC) Set of Issues (6-Apr)
BC response at http://forum.icann.org/lists/ssr-rt-issues/pdfugpgelab81.pdf

5: WHOIS Review Team (AoC) seeking input on scope of work (17-Apr) BC response at http://forum.icann.org/lists/whois-rt/pdfmFVFD8vt7v.pdf

6: Post-expiration domain name recovery, WG final report (22-Apr)
Berry Cobb's discussion draft at http://forum.icann.org/lists/bc-gnso/msg01953.html
Will be submitted 22-Apr.

- 7. Proposal for renewal of .net registry contract (10-May) See http://icann.org/en/public-comment/#net-renewal
- 8. New gTLD Guidebook (15-May)
 See http://icann.org/en/topics/new-gtlds/comments-6-en.htm

Note: BC members are encouraged to submit individual or company comments on any topic. Based on member interest, the BC selects topics on which to submit official positions.

Channel 2. Support for discussion and votes of our representatives on GNSO Council

Upcoming discussions & votes at 28-Apr GNSO Council teleconference.

Council agenda

at https://community.icann.org/display/gnsocouncilmeetings/Agenda+28+April+2011

Council motions are

at https://community.icann.org/display/gnsocouncilmeetings/Motions+28+April+2011

Motion 1: to terminate the Policy Process Steering Committee

Motion 2: proceed with two WHOIS studies.

Staff posted an analysis of "Privacy & Proxy Relay & Reveal". Council must decide which of remaining 3 studies (Registrant Identification, Proxy and Privacy "abuse" and this Relay and Reveal study) staff should initiate.

(see https://community.icann.org/display/gnsocouncilmeetings/Motions+28+April+2011)

John and Zahid worked with staff on a resolution to commit funding for 3 WHOIS studies. After the SFO Council meeting, a small volunteer group met 6 times to discuss WHOIS studies resolution. Last week, the group hosted Steve Metalitz to address any questions from IPC Councilors, who asked for a deferral on 7-Apr.

Chuck Gomes led the group with Kathy Kleiman (PIR), Don Blumenthal (PIR), Liz Gasster (ICANN), Lisa Phifer (ICANN), and Steve DelBianco. This group believes that the RFP for the Registrant Identification Study (Study 2) needs more definition on how registrants are classified as having 'commercial purpose'. I support another deferral of this work, and can explain if needed.

The registries have said they will support our 2 most important studies, with minor adjustments to the studies' scope. I'm talking about the Privacy/Proxy Abuse study (Study 3) and the Relay/Reveal study (Study 4). I support these adjustments.

See https://community.icann.org/display/gnsocouncilmeetings/Motions+7+April+2011

Motion 3: Public comments on global outreach recommendations

Item 4: Meeting with ICANN's new Compliance Director

Item 5: Cartagena Board Resolution on Consumer Choice, Competition and Innovation Philip Sheppard has drafted BC comments for this topic (attached)

Item 6: Joint SO/AC WG on New gTLD Applicant Support (JAS)

tem 7: UDRP Issues Paper

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Also see GNSO Project Status List as of 5-Apr-2011, at http://gnso.icann.org/meetings/pending-projects-list.pdf

Channel 3. Supporting discussion and voting on policy matters before the Commercial Stakeholders Group (CSG)

Update on voting procedure and candidates for ICANN Board Seat 14. (Sarah Deutsch and Marilyn Cade)

Channel 4. BC statements and responses during public meetings (outreach events, public forum, etc.)

Affirmation review team for Whois (Susan Kawaguchi, Bill Smith)

Affirmation reviewteam for SSR (Security, Stability, & Reslience) (Jeff Brueggeman)

ICANN Board meeting 21-Apr-2011.

Agenda at http://www.icann.org/en/minutes/agenda-21apr11-en.htm includes "Review of Vertical Integration for Existing gTLD Registry Operators"

New gTLD Guidebook documents:

Summary of BC comments in SFO on GAC Scorecard http://forum.icann.org/lists/bc-gnso/msg01890.html

ICANN published new Guidebook on 15-Apr. http://icann.org/en/topics/new-qtlds/comments-6-en.htm

ICANN revised response to the GAC Scorecard http://icann.org/en/topics/new-gtlds/board-notes-gac-scorecard-clean-15apr11-en.pdf

GAC on RPMs http://gac.icann.org/press-release/further-gac-advice-new-gtld-rights-protection-mechanisms

BC Comments on prior Guidebook (Dec-2010). http://forum.icann.org/lists/5gtld-guide/pdfpWA9bxOgob.pdf

Module assignments for previous BC comments: (Dec-2010)

Module 1: Introduction to New gTLD Application Process and Fees. Berry Cobb, Ron Andruff

Module 2: Evaluation Procedures. Philip Sheppard, Jon Nevett, Adam Palmer, Zahid Jamil, Sarah Deutsch

Module 3: Dispute Resolution. John Berard, Ron Andruff

Module 4: String Contention. Ron Andruff

Module 5: Transition to Delegation. Philip Sheppard, Fred Fellman, Berry Cobb, Jon Nevett