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MEMORANDUM TO:	William D. Travers Executive Director for Operations	
FROM:	Annette L. Vietti-Cook, Secretary	/RA/
SUBJECT:	STAFF REQUIREMENTS - SECY-03-0223 PLAN: ASSURED ISOLATION FACILITIE	

The Commission has approved Option 3 to defer rulemaking on assured isolation facilities at this time and to annually review the need for further action in this area. The annual review should include not only the need for potential rulemaking associated with assured isolation facilities but also the potential need for rulemaking and/or regulatory guidance for long term storage of low-level radioactive waste in general. Within already-budgeted resources, the staff should participate, as appropriate, in the CRCPD's development of a Suggested State Regulation for Control of Radiation on Assured Isolation Facilities.

cc: Chairman Diaz Commissioner McGaffigan Commissioner Merrifield OGC CFO OCA OPA Office Directors, Regions, ACRS, ACNW, ASLBP (via E-Mail) PDR