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MEMORANDUM TO:	R. W. Borchardt Executive Director for Operations	
FROM:	Annette Vietti-Cook, Secretary	/RA/
SUBJECT:	STAFF REQUIREMENTS – BRIEFING ON URANIUM RECOVERY, 9:30 A.M., TUESDAY, MARCH 2, 2010, COMMISSIONERS' CONFERENCE ROOM, ONE WHITE FLINT NORTH, ROCKVILLE, MARYLAND (OPEN TO PUBLIC ATTENDANCE)	

The Commission was briefed by the NRC staff on the status of current uranium recovery applications being reviewed under the new supplemental environmental impact statement process, experience using the generic environmental impact statement, and ground water protection. A panel of Federal representatives included Jonathan Edwards, Director, Radiation Protection Division, and Roy Simon, Associate Branch Chief for Prevention, Drinking Water Protection Division, at the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), who discussed EPA's perspectives on the rulemaking for ground water protection at uranium recovery facilities and progress on EPA's 40 CFR 192 rulemaking, and Frank Martin, Deputy Chief, Solid Minerals Division, Bureau of Land Management, U.S. Department of Interior, who discussed oversight with respect to Federal lands including development of the MOU with the NRC. The third panel provided a wide range of views on uranium recovery and included Susan Jablonski, Director, Radioactive Materials Division, Texas Commission on Environmental Quality; Donald McKenzie, Administrator, Land Quality Division, Wyoming Department of Environmental Quality; Geoffrey Fettus, Senior Project Attorney, Natural Resources Defense Council; and Katie Sweeney, General Counsel, National Mining Association.

There were no requirements identified for staff action.

cc: Chairman Jaczko Commissioner Klein Commissioner Svinicki OGC CFO OCA OIG OPA Office Directors, Regions, ACRS, ASLBP (via E-Mail) PDR