

POLICY ISSUE
NOTATION VOTE

RESPONSE SHEET

TO: Carrie M. Safford, Secretary
FROM: Commissioner Wright
SUBJECT: SECY-26-0042: Delegation of Authority to Approve Federal Register Notice Publication for Proposed State Agreements

Approved X Disapproved _____ Abstain _____ Not Participating _____

COMMENTS: Below X Attached _____ None _____

I approve the staff requested delegation of authority for approval of proposed State Agreements and draft Staff Assessment FRN packages to the NMSS Director. However, I note a concern regarding the need for a clear notification mechanism to ensure the Commission is informed in a timely manner. While MD 6.3, Section IV.B.3, establishes a 10-working-day period between signature and transmittal to the Office of the Federal Register (OFR) to provide the Commission an opportunity for review, it does not specify how or when the Commission is notified of the signature or pending issuance of the draft Agreement. To address this, the staff should submit a CA Note with the FRN containing the draft Agreement and the Staff Assessment before or promptly following signature by the MSST Director. This approach would ensure the Commission is promptly informed of the action and has the opportunity to review it prior to transmitting it to the OFR.

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Yes X
No _____

Signature