

Rubric for evaluating Case 3 papers

	Low Performance	High Performance
Policy memo	0 to 3 <i>One or more of:</i> Lack of clarity, poor readability by the audience for the memo. Lack of clarity about the process used to derive the Extinction standard. Lack of clarity about the connections between political support, VAQ, and the Extinction standard chosen. Failure to state or defend an Extinction standard.	4 to 6 <i>All or most of:</i> Very clear, readable statement presenting the Extinction standard and the general process used to derive it, with appropriate references to the appendices. Clarity about the considerations of political support required and the way the chosen level meets that requirement.
Technical memo #1 (PctViol vs VAQ and derivation of politically supportable VAQ cutoff)	0 to 3 <i>One or more of:</i> Lack of understanding about the meaning of the curve in the scatterplot and its role in this study. Doing a linear regression. Lack of clarity about political support required and how that translates into a value of PctViol. Lack of clarity about how a politically supportable value of VAQ is derived in this memo.	4 to 6 <i>All or most of:</i> Very clear presentation of the scatter plot and curve suggesting the relation between PctViol and VAQ in the population, and its role in this study. Very clear discussion of the level of public support required and the VAQ that meets your chosen standard.
Technical memo #2 (Regression of VAQ vs Extinction, and derivation of Extinction standard)	0 to 3 <i>One or more of:</i> Weak, incorrect or unclear presentation of the regression results or their role in this study. Weak understandings or lack of clarity about R^2 , the parameter estimates, the t-ratio, or statistical significance.	4 to 6 <i>All or most of:</i> Very clear presentation of the scatter plot and regression of VAQ vs Extinction and their role in this study. Full explanation of R^2 , the parameter estimates, the t-ratio, and statistical significance. Some discussion of the apparent fit between the regression line and the points in the scatterplot.