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Office of Safety and Mission Assurance

TO: Deputy Associate Administrator for Mission Support Directorate

FROM: Deputy Chief, Safety and Mission Assurance

SUBJECT: Request for Waiver to NPR 8715.6, NASA Procedural Requirements for Limiting Orbital Debris

The Office of Safety and Mission Assurance requests a waiver (in accordance with NPR 1400.1) for 90 days to address a non-concurrence in the NASA Online Directives Information System (NODIS) for NPR 8715.6, NASA Procedural Requirements for Limiting Orbital Debris. The current date required for the signature package is June 9, 2016. The Office of Safety and Mission Assurance is working with the Human Exploration and Operations Mission Directorate for a concurrence with the content. The Federal Aviation Administration and Federal Communications Commission are involved with clarifying the roles and responsibilities of orbital debris, which will assist with the language in NPR 8715.6.

To properly address concerns, Safety and Mission Assurance requests additional time to provide the signature package.

We appreciate your organization’s support as we work to improve the Safety and Mission Assurance directives.

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