

NASA AEROSPACE SAFETY ADVISORY PANEL
National Aeronautics and Space Administration
Washington, DC 20546
Dr. Patricia Sanders, Chair

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Mr. Charles F. Bolden, Jr.
Administrator
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Dear Mr. Bolden:

The Panel accepts NASA's response to the Orion Risk Assessment Recommendation 2015-05-01. In addition to performing the recommended risk evaluations and assessments of alternatives, the Panel has observed a positive change in NASA management's message in regards to dealing with schedule pressure. Protection of test and verification content appears to have been given the appropriate priority by leadership.

The remaining challenge for NASA is to ensure this message is clearly understood by the entire team. The Panel will continue to watch how NASA deals with schedule pressure, but this specific recommendation is closed.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Patricia Sanders". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Patricia Sanders
Chair

Enclosure
ASAP Recommendation 2015-05-01 and NASA Response

