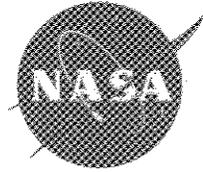


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Office of the Administrator
Washington, DC 20546-0001



July 29, 2009

Ms. Valerie Jarrett
Chairperson
White House Committee on Women and Girls
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20500

Dear Ms. Jarrett:

Presidential Executive Order 13506 established the White House Council on Women and Girls. In support of the Council, the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) has prepared a report describing the Agency's efforts in promoting women in Federal careers and improving the lives of the Nation's women and girls.

In response to this directive, enclosed is a copy of the requested report. The report includes information on NASA's human capital, recruitment, work-life balance, and equal opportunity efforts. It details successes of our education and small business development programs. A section is also included that describes public benefits from spinoffs of NASA-developed technologies.

As requested by the Council, the report also details a series of actions that NASA will take to further understand and address the needs of women employed by the Agency and the audiences served by its external programs.

We would be pleased to discuss this report in greater detail, at your convenience.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "CFB", with a long, sweeping horizontal line extending to the right.

Charles F. Bolden, Jr.
Administrator

Enclosure