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Message:

Two questions were asked. I will include both the questions and our answers

Q1) Is there any risk that the magnets on the spacecraft will result in Argus deploying attached to another spacecraft flying on this mission?

A1) No, there is no credible risk of attachment. NASA LSP and Cal Poly (our launch integrators) have carefully examined this issue. The other spacecraft in our P-POD is nonmagnetic.

Q2) Are there other spacecraft on the launch that also carry magnets? If there is a risk, has this risk been addressed in launch planning?

A2) We do not have access to the information regarding the magnetic strengths of other spacecraft on our launch. However, NASA LSP and Cal Poly (our launch integrators) have carefully examined this issue, too. There is sufficient time interval between spacecraft ejections (30-60 seconds) that no other spacecraft will be close enough to be magnetically affected by our launch.