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Message:

Gentlemen,

This appears to be an unintentional mistake by the engineer on my team who ran DAS. I've contacted him, and his response was as follows:

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Somehow, in the final analysis I ran, the balloon box was set to a quarter-kilogram of stainless steel. And I didn't notice that that survived, because nothing but the CO2 cartridge survived in previous analyses, so I didn't look for it. Sigh. Sorry about that.

The real balloon box is of course aluminum. That will burn up quite nicely.

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I will supply you with an updated ODAR with the correct material (aluminum, not steel) for the balloon compartment. It will take a few days, since I'm out of the office til Monday. But I'm confident that this simply a mistake our engineer made in using DAS, and not indicative of any real problem.

Apologies for the confusion, and thanks for pointing this out.

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