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800 Independence Ave., SW.
Washington, DC 20591

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Ms. Gwynne E. Shotwell
President
Space Exploration Technologies
1 Rocket Road
Hawthorne, CA 90250

Dear Ms. Shotwell:

We are in receipt of the random reentry analysis and debris list for the Falcon 9-003 second stage, submitted by Mr. Steve Davis on March 21, 2012.

We are reviewing these documents in consideration of our requirements for launch vehicle or component reentry risk under 14 CFR § 440.7 (Appendix A to Part 440, III D). We are reviewing the remainder of your debris mitigation plans under 14 CFR § 417.129.

We will advise you if we need any additional information.

Mr. Howard Searight will serve as your point of contact with the Licensing and Evaluation Division (AST-200) and will handle all issues concerning the processing of your license application review. Should you have any questions, please contact Mr. Searight at (202) 267-7927.

Sincerely,

Kenneth Wong
Manager
Licensing and Evaluation Division