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**Re: Space Station Special
Temporary Authority,
File No. SAT-STA-20150821-00060,
Response to Questions**

Dear Mr. Albuquerque:

This letter responds to the questions that you raised with us in your November 10, 2016 e-mail.

By way of background, Planet Labs has now informed Spaceflight that it is withdrawing its payload of 56 satellites from the SHERPA launch. Although this was not anticipated, it will not lead Spaceflight to cancel the SHERPA mission. Instead of the originally planned 90 satellites to be deployed (counting the SeeMe satellite to be deployed three weeks later from the eXCITe spacecraft), Spaceflight will proceed with the previously identified 34 satellites when SpaceX resumes launch activity and informs Spaceflight of its launch window. Pursuant to Spaceflight's standard mission planning processes, the Planet Labs satellites will be replaced with mass simulators, which will not be deployed into orbit, but will remain in the SHERPA.

We address the specific questions raised below:

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Question 1: Please indicate whether the Planet Labs satellites will be replaced with other satellites, or with mass simulators.

Response: As stated above, the Planet Labs satellites will be replaced with mass simulators.

Question 2: If they will be replaced with other satellites, please update the list of satellites specified in the application.

Response: Not applicable.

Question 3: A statement as to whether given the revised launch objectives, it is technically feasible to deploy satellites from SHERPA without detaching SHERPA from the SpaceX upper stage.

Response: It would not be technically feasible to do so.

Please let us know if there are any additional questions.

A copy of this letter is also being uploaded into the Commission's public record file.

Respectfully submitted,

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