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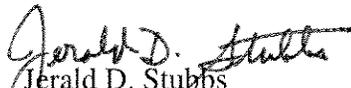
FROM: CC/Chief Counsel

SUBJECT: Attendance at the LRO-LCROSS Launch Celebration Sponsored by United
Launch Alliance – June 18, 2009

On June 18, 2009, United Launch Alliance will host a pre-launch breakfast celebration in anticipation of the LRO-LCROSS satellites' launch on the Atlas V Rocket launch. The event will be held at the Radisson Resort at the Port, Convention Center, Cape Canaveral, Florida, starting at 8:30 a.m. Approximately 600 guests are expected to attend. These guests include a wide range of representatives that include aerospace industry leaders, NASA senior management, state and local elected officials, KSC contractor leaders, and NASA employees. The approximate value of the reception is \$24 per person.

I find this event meets the requirements of a "widely attended gathering" as defined in 5 C.F.R. § 2635.204(g). I further determine that there is an Agency interest in having NASA personnel attend the event. This event will allow NASA employees to discuss the NASA Vision for Space Exploration, the Return to the Moon and Mars, and the LRO-LCROSS satellites' with the other attendees. In addition, this event is a forum for the attendees to disseminate information on NASA's ongoing activities and to discuss matters of interest to NASA with a diverse group.

Accordingly, NASA employees whose duties do not substantially affect United Launch Alliance may accept an invitation for complimentary attendance at the event. NASA employees whose duties may substantially affect United Launch Alliance, such as by way of procurement duties, should seek an individual determination pursuant to 5 C.F.R. § 2635.204(g)(3)(i) regarding participation in this event from the Chief Counsel's Office.


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