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Reply to Attn of:

SMD/Earth-Sun System Division

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

FROM:

Associate Administrator for Science Mission Directorate

SUBJECT:

Aquarius Project Environmental Assessment

The proposed Aquarius mission has been reviewed in accordance with the Routine Payload criteria established in the "Final Environmental Assessment of NASA Routine Payloads on Expendable Launch Vehicles from Cape Canaveral Air Force Station Florida and Vandenberg Air Force Base California," dated June 2002, and Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI), dated June 18, 2002. After considering the enclosed Environmental Evaluation and Routine Payload Checklist for the Aquarius project, I am designating the Aquarius mission as a NASA routine payload. As a NASA routine payload, the Aquarius mission is within the definitions established by the Environmental Assessment and FONSI. The Aquarius mission will have no significant impact, individually or cumulatively, on the quality of the human environment.

Enclosures

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