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Dear Dr. Powell,

I want to take this opportunity to formally communicate my congratulations to you and your team for last week's delivery of the first major GOES-R Science milestone, the 80% Maturity Baseline Algorithm Package. The delivery is an outstanding organizational accomplishment and is, of course, of critical importance to the GOES-R mission development effort. We acknowledge and appreciate the many hours of hard work and intense dedication necessary to achieve such a major delivery and offer our appreciation and gratitude. I particularly wanted to acknowledge the exceptional contributions made by your AWG senior leadership team: Dr. Mitch Goldberg, Mr. Jaime Daniels, and Mr. Walter Wolf. These individuals executed their leadership roles in exemplary fashion and maintained a tireless dedication to this task over a very long execution period. They have provided outstanding service to our Program and to the public which we all serve. Please communicate our congratulations and appreciation to these exceptional individuals.

We look forward to continuing to work with all of you in the months and years ahead.

Thank You and Congratulations,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Gregory A. Mandt".

Gregory A. Mandt
GOES-R System Program Director

cc: Dr. Mitch Goldberg
Mr. Jaime Daniels
Mr. Walter Wolf

