MIKE CURIE/NASA LAUNCH COMMENTATOR: Welcoming back Frank DeMauro. Frank, this was a fabulous day. Congratulations so much. It looks like Cygnus is a very healthy vehicle.

FRANK DEMAURO/ORBITAL ATK VICE PRESIDENT: It is. We had a perfect orbit injection, really right on the money. We began initializing systems on the spacecraft immediately. Everything's looking great. The big task we wanted to see get complete before we declared full health was the solar array deployment -- this is the first time we deployed our new UltraFlex array -- and it went right on target. Everything was perfect. The arrays are fully deployed, generating lots of power. The propulsion's healthy, the power system, the attitude control system, everything's initialized and we're flying a good spacecraft now.

CURIE: So we have officially resumed cargo missions to the International Space Station.

DEMAURO: We have. We have, and we couldn't be more thrilled to be here. You know, about,
just less than a year ago we started working with ULA to integrate Cygnus to the Atlas

V. It has been a tremendous effort on both ULA's part and Orbital ATK. It's gone extremely well, culminating today in a beautiful launch. After a few days' wait, but it was worth it.

It was great to see the rocket head up there and put us exactly on target in our orbit.

So we'll spend the next couple of days making our way toward the ISS, so Wednesday morning,

in the wee hours on the east coast, we'll begin the process to approach the ISS. And we hope to get grappled somewhere around 6 a.m., or a little bit before or after. But we think we're well on our way.

CURIE: It sure sounds like it. We really want to congratulate you. This is a great day.

I think it's a wonderful idea to see the commercial companies working so closely together, Orbital ATK and United Launch Alliance, on a mission for NASA to the International Space Station,

which is truly an international space station -- it shows how well it works when everyone
DEMAURO: I agree. And I think it's been such a pleasure working with ULA. It's been great working with NASA, they've been supportive every step of the way. Certainly Orbital ATK and NASA and ULA have a great day today. But I think most importantly we know that the folks we're really serving are the crew on the ISS. So we're thrilled that we can support them this way, we're looking forward to getting on the ISS, deliver their supplies that they need, and then spending the next couple of months with them up there. So it's been a great day and we'll look for more days in the future.

CURIE: All right. Well congratulations, once again, to you and your entire team.

DEMAURO: Thanks, Mike. Great to be with you.