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00:00:00,030 --> 00:00:13,709
liftoff in five four three two one zero

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00:00:19,120 --> 00:00:16,450
we're here in Hawthorne California at

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00:00:20,980 --> 00:00:19,130
SpaceX's headquarters this is a

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00:00:22,839 --> 00:00:20,990
remarkable facility that includes

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00:00:25,420 --> 00:00:22,849
everything from their Mission Control

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00:00:27,849 --> 00:00:25,430
Center to the design and manufacturing

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00:00:30,429 --> 00:00:27,859
of their rockets and the focus of our

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00:00:33,340 --> 00:00:30,439
tour today the design and manufacturing

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00:00:34,960 --> 00:00:33,350
of their Dragon spacecraft we're excited

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00:00:36,820 --> 00:00:34,970
to have SpaceX's innovative

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00:00:39,400 --> 00:00:36,830
contributions as a part of the

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00:00:42,220 --> 00:00:39,410
Commercial Crew program Commercial Crew

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00:00:43,600 --> 00:00:42,230

is focused on safely launching humans to

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00:00:46,110 --> 00:00:43,610

and from the international space station

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00:00:49,720 --> 00:00:46,120

with our two partners SpaceX and Boeing

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00:00:51,040 --> 00:00:49,730

hi I'm Joshua Santora and today we're

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00:00:53,560 --> 00:00:51,050

gonna get an inside look at the

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00:00:56,529 --> 00:00:53,570

development and construction of the crew

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00:00:59,350 --> 00:00:56,539

dragon also known as dragon 2 which is

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00:01:01,900 --> 00:00:59,360

SpaceX's crewed spacecraft let's head

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00:01:03,729 --> 00:01:01,910

inside we've made our way inside to the

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00:01:06,010 --> 00:01:03,739

factory floor and the first thing I

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00:01:08,560 --> 00:01:06,020

can't emphasize enough is how massive

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00:01:10,480 --> 00:01:08,570

and busy this facility is we're here to

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00:01:13,210 --> 00:01:10,490

talk about the crew dragon but there's

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00:01:15,550 --> 00:01:13,220
so much going on their area is dedicated

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00:01:18,130 --> 00:01:15,560
to the Falcon boosters which will launch

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00:01:19,899 --> 00:01:18,140
the spacecraft the merlin engines which

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00:01:22,600 --> 00:01:19,909
will propel the first and second stages

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00:01:25,300 --> 00:01:22,610
the spacecraft itself which will go look

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00:01:27,880 --> 00:01:25,310
at in a minute and a 3d printing lab

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00:01:29,999 --> 00:01:27,890
that we're here in front of now through

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00:01:32,410 --> 00:01:30,009
3d printing or additive manufacturing

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00:01:34,749 --> 00:01:32,420
robust and high-performing rocket parts

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00:01:37,289 --> 00:01:34,759
can be created and offer improvements

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00:01:39,850 --> 00:01:37,299
over traditional manufacturing methods

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00:01:41,520 --> 00:01:39,860
SpaceX uses 3d printing for a variety of

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00:01:44,230 --> 00:01:41,530

its rocket and spacecraft parts

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00:01:47,050 --> 00:01:44,240

including most notably the super Draco

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00:01:49,510 --> 00:01:47,060

engines the super Draco is functioned as

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00:01:50,950 --> 00:01:49,520

an emergency abort system and each crew

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00:01:55,060 --> 00:01:50,960

dragon will be equipped with eight of

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00:01:57,130 --> 00:01:55,070

them together they can produce 120,000

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00:01:59,440 --> 00:01:57,140

pounds of axial thrust at under a second

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00:02:01,780 --> 00:01:59,450

that's enough force to transport the

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00:02:04,060 --> 00:02:01,790

crew dragon almost a hundred meters in

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00:02:06,340 --> 00:02:04,070

two seconds and over half a kilometer in

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00:02:08,430 --> 00:02:06,350

about five seconds if an emergency

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00:02:10,530 --> 00:02:08,440

situation was detected

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00:02:13,170 --> 00:02:10,540

even during liftoff or on the way to

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00:02:15,720 --> 00:02:13,180
orbit those super Draco's are programmed

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00:02:17,550 --> 00:02:15,730
to automatically fire leaving behind the

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00:02:20,400 --> 00:02:17,560
booster and transporting the crew and

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00:02:22,860 --> 00:02:20,410
spacecraft to safety at that point

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00:02:26,370 --> 00:02:22,870
parachutes deploy and it allows the crew

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00:02:27,330 --> 00:02:26,380
to return gently to earth now let's go

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00:02:30,720 --> 00:02:27,340
check and see what's happening

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00:02:32,910 --> 00:02:30,730
underneath the Dragon spacecraft once

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00:02:35,100 --> 00:02:32,920
the mission in space is complete we need

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00:02:36,810 --> 00:02:35,110
to get those astronauts home safely the

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00:02:39,900 --> 00:02:36,820
process of returning to earth we call

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00:02:41,700 --> 00:02:39,910
re-entry for spacex the final phase of

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00:02:43,860 --> 00:02:41,710

reentry is actually landing in the ocean

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00:02:45,900 --> 00:02:43,870

with four main parachutes much like the

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00:02:48,750 --> 00:02:45,910

astronauts of the Mercury Gemini and

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00:02:49,710 --> 00:02:48,760

Apollo programs did but before you can

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00:02:51,360 --> 00:02:49,720

deploy parachutes

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00:02:52,590 --> 00:02:51,370

you've got to withstand the immense heat

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00:02:55,080 --> 00:02:52,600

of passing through the Earth's

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00:02:58,020 --> 00:02:55,090

atmosphere the outside of the spacecraft

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00:03:00,810 --> 00:02:58,030

will experience temperatures over 3,000

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00:03:03,060 --> 00:03:00,820

degrees Fahrenheit in order to protect

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00:03:04,710 --> 00:03:03,070

their crews SpaceX has developed a

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00:03:07,920 --> 00:03:04,720

thermal protection system that they call

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00:03:10,110 --> 00:03:07,930

pica-x it's a high-tech carbon material

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00:03:12,060 --> 00:03:10,120
that covers the bottom of the spacecraft

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00:03:13,650 --> 00:03:12,070
they've been using it on their cargo

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00:03:16,320 --> 00:03:13,660
dragons like the one you see overhead

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00:03:17,610 --> 00:03:16,330
since 2010 and they'll be using that to

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00:03:20,310 --> 00:03:17,620
bring the crew dragon home safely as

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00:03:22,740 --> 00:03:20,320
well this thermal protection system is

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00:03:24,930 --> 00:03:22,750
designed to dissipate heat away from the

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00:03:26,840 --> 00:03:24,940
spacecraft as it rears the Earth's

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00:03:29,699 --> 00:03:26,850
atmosphere with very little degradation

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00:03:32,130 --> 00:03:29,709
the original pica material was first

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00:03:35,220 --> 00:03:32,140
developed by NASA and has been adapted

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00:03:36,930 --> 00:03:35,230
by SpaceX in partnership with NASA it's

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00:03:39,660 --> 00:03:36,940

so effective at protecting the

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00:03:41,910 --> 00:03:39,670

spacecraft that each crew dragon will be

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00:03:43,530 --> 00:03:41,920

able to be reused many times this is

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00:03:47,280 --> 00:03:43,540

going to save on construction time and

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00:03:48,720 --> 00:03:47,290

cost when it comes time for launch the

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00:03:50,970 --> 00:03:48,730

folks here at Mission Control in

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00:03:54,360 --> 00:03:50,980

Hawthorne have a critical role to play

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00:03:57,150 --> 00:03:54,370

even when launch is 2,500 miles away on

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00:03:58,740 --> 00:03:57,160

the east coast of Florida when it comes

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00:04:00,630 --> 00:03:58,750

time for the crew dragon to launch

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00:04:02,430 --> 00:04:00,640

they'll be working together with teams

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00:04:05,880 --> 00:04:02,440

from the Kennedy Space Center to ensure

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00:04:07,710 --> 00:04:05,890

a safe and successful flight now let's

101
00:04:10,740 --> 00:04:07,720
go check on the progress of constructing

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00:04:12,990 --> 00:04:10,750
those crew dragons from top to bottom

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00:04:15,390 --> 00:04:13,000
this spacecraft is being meticulously

104
00:04:18,479 --> 00:04:15,400
engineered and constructed everything

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00:04:20,520 --> 00:04:18,489
from fuel to electronics life support

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00:04:21,340 --> 00:04:20,530
and communication systems are laid out

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00:04:23,440 --> 00:04:21,350
and can

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00:04:26,320 --> 00:04:23,450
figure to maximize safety and mission

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00:04:28,390 --> 00:04:26,330
success it's also really technologically

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00:04:30,610 --> 00:04:28,400
advanced including the ability to

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00:04:33,820 --> 00:04:30,620
autonomously fly and dock to the space

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00:04:35,620 --> 00:04:33,830
station between the Dragon spacecraft

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00:04:38,230 --> 00:04:35,630

and the Falcon booster you'll find the

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00:04:40,330 --> 00:04:38,240

trunks the trunk is the location of the

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00:04:43,360 --> 00:04:40,340

solar panels that are used to power the

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00:04:45,250 --> 00:04:43,370

spacecraft while on orbit the trunk

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00:04:47,260 --> 00:04:45,260

would also stabilized the vehicle in the

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00:04:51,220 --> 00:04:47,270

event an emergency abort is ever

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00:04:53,170 --> 00:04:51,230

required the dragon development truly

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00:04:55,360 --> 00:04:53,180

represents an intentional focus on

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00:04:58,330 --> 00:04:55,370

iterative design and learning from past

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00:05:00,520 --> 00:04:58,340

experiences from conception phases

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00:05:02,530 --> 00:05:00,530

SpaceX has had human spaceflight in mind

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00:05:05,110 --> 00:05:02,540

even while they were just flying cargo

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00:05:07,390 --> 00:05:05,120

their rockets and spacecraft have been

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00:05:09,280 --> 00:05:07,400

designed to be human rated and they

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00:05:12,670 --> 00:05:09,290

continue to benefit from proven success

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00:05:14,800 --> 00:05:12,680

as they look to the future to end our

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00:05:17,830 --> 00:05:14,810

tour today I want to give you a taste of

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00:05:19,780 --> 00:05:17,840

what it's like to be onboard you're

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00:05:22,390 --> 00:05:19,790

getting a chance to feel what the

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00:05:25,620 --> 00:05:22,400

astronauts will experience as they strap

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00:05:28,840 --> 00:05:25,630

in and prepare to blast off into space

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00:05:30,730 --> 00:05:28,850

Alan Shepard unlocked a new frontier by

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00:05:33,790 --> 00:05:30,740

being the first American to fly into

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00:05:37,060 --> 00:05:33,800

space Bob Crippen and John Young

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00:05:39,400 --> 00:05:37,070

unlocked a 30-year legacy of living and

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00:05:43,350 --> 00:05:39,410

working in space by being the first to

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00:05:46,120 --> 00:05:43,360

fly aboard the space shuttle and this

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00:05:49,360 --> 00:05:46,130

this is where we unlock the future of

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00:05:51,730 --> 00:05:49,370

commercial spaceflight we'll see you

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00:05:55,000 --> 00:05:51,740

next time as we prepare to launch

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00:05:55,960 --> 00:05:55,010

America hi my name is Steve stitch I'm a

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00:05:57,850 --> 00:05:55,970

deputy program manager for the

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00:05:59,350 --> 00:05:57,860

Commercial Crew program thank you for