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00:00:03,800 --> 00:00:02,300
good afternoon and welcome back to

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00:00:05,240 --> 00:00:03,810
nasa's wallops flight facility in

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00:00:07,519 --> 00:00:05,250
Wallops Island Virginia and NASA public

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00:00:09,589 --> 00:00:07,529
affairs officer Trent perrotto we're

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00:00:11,360 --> 00:00:09,599
here for the second of two pre-launch

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00:00:12,730 --> 00:00:11,370
briefings looking ahead to the orbital

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00:00:15,289 --> 00:00:12,740
one mission which is launching tomorrow

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00:00:17,689 --> 00:00:15,299
wednesday january eight the 132 p.m.

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00:00:19,070 --> 00:00:17,699
from right here at Wallops you heard in

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00:00:20,090 --> 00:00:19,080
previous hour a little bit about the

11
00:00:21,290 --> 00:00:20,100
science that's headed to the

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00:00:23,090 --> 00:00:21,300
international space station aboard

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00:00:24,740 --> 00:00:23,100

orbital one so now we'll look ahead to

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00:00:27,259 --> 00:00:24,750

the launch itself here a little bit

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00:00:29,450 --> 00:00:27,269

about the readiness of both the station

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00:00:31,730 --> 00:00:29,460

and the and the rocket and the range and

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00:00:33,319 --> 00:00:31,740

hopefully get a positive weather report

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00:00:36,380 --> 00:00:33,329

again you can find out more information

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00:00:38,450 --> 00:00:36,390

about the orbital one mission at wwc gov

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00:00:40,220 --> 00:00:38,460

/ station we have a number of

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00:00:41,420 --> 00:00:40,230

distinguished guests joining us today if

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00:00:44,000 --> 00:00:41,430

you have any questions for them you're

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00:00:45,260 --> 00:00:44,010

watching online ah NASA TV or streaming

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00:00:48,529 --> 00:00:45,270

video you can ask us your questions

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00:00:51,319 --> 00:00:48,539

using the hashtag ask NASA on Twitter

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00:00:53,240 --> 00:00:51,329
and Google Plus each of our presenters

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00:00:54,709 --> 00:00:53,250
will give a some brief remarks and will

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00:00:56,930 --> 00:00:54,719
follow with question and answer here in

29
00:00:58,849 --> 00:00:56,940
the audience and on the phone line here

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00:01:01,069 --> 00:00:58,859
at Wallops I have to my left Frank

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00:01:03,920 --> 00:01:01,079
Culbertson orbital sciences executive

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00:01:06,230 --> 00:01:03,930
vice president next time next to Frank

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00:01:08,060 --> 00:01:06,240
is Mike Kingston senior vice president

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00:01:11,810 --> 00:01:08,070
and Antares program director of orbital

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00:01:14,240 --> 00:01:11,820
sciences and we have Sarah dharti the

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00:01:15,740 --> 00:01:14,250
Wallops test director but first we'll

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00:01:16,999 --> 00:01:15,750
begin at the Johnson Space Center in

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00:01:18,710 --> 00:01:17,009

Houston where we're joined by the

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00:01:24,300 --> 00:01:18,720

International Space Station deputy

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00:01:30,760 --> 00:01:28,030

see you got me if thanks trenton good

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00:01:34,240 --> 00:01:30,770

afternoon as most you know we had plan

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00:01:36,070 --> 00:01:34,250

to be here for the Cygnus launch in the

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00:01:38,070 --> 00:01:36,080

mid December time period but we had some

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00:01:40,540 --> 00:01:38,080

issues on board with our external

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00:01:43,510 --> 00:01:40,550

thermal control system that needed to be

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00:01:45,400 --> 00:01:43,520

addressed and so we conducted a couple

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00:01:48,070 --> 00:01:45,410

of EVs from mid-december through

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00:01:51,010 --> 00:01:48,080

Christmas Eve and took care of those

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00:01:52,990 --> 00:01:51,020

thermal control issues and we really

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00:01:55,120 --> 00:01:53,000

appreciate orbital standing down and

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00:01:57,340 --> 00:01:55,130
that mid December time period so we

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00:01:59,260 --> 00:01:57,350
could work through that we then had to

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00:02:02,950 --> 00:01:59,270
come over come the high beta pass which

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00:02:05,080 --> 00:02:02,960
we came out of justice just this week

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00:02:07,150 --> 00:02:05,090
actually today and so that basically

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00:02:10,750 --> 00:02:07,160
opened up the window for us for the

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00:02:12,820 --> 00:02:10,760
launch of Cygnus found the tui VA's we

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00:02:15,070 --> 00:02:12,830
needed to do a lot of reintegration work

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00:02:16,390 --> 00:02:15,080
with our interface heat exchangers to

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00:02:18,280 --> 00:02:16,400
get our thermal loads back up the

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00:02:20,770 --> 00:02:18,290
capability to reintegrate the Columbus

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00:02:23,320 --> 00:02:20,780
module the gem module and get our full

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00:02:26,170 --> 00:02:23,330

research capacity back up in order that

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00:02:28,120 --> 00:02:26,180

was all successfully done following the

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00:02:30,580 --> 00:02:28,130

run of the pump that took about two or

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00:02:32,199 --> 00:02:30,590

three days to integrate the system back

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00:02:33,790 --> 00:02:32,209

to normal and we've been in that state

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00:02:35,979 --> 00:02:33,800

sense and like I said we came through

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00:02:38,800 --> 00:02:35,989

the high beta pass and everything looks

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00:02:41,410 --> 00:02:38,810

good we did leave our old pump on the

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00:02:43,600 --> 00:02:41,420

MSS system and so in a subsequent EBA we

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00:02:46,060 --> 00:02:43,610

have to go back out relocate that old

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00:02:48,010 --> 00:02:46,070

pump over to an ELC and in the meantime

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00:02:51,280 --> 00:02:48,020

our engineers and we'll figure out a way

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00:02:53,850 --> 00:02:51,290

to potentially treat that old pump as a

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00:02:57,370 --> 00:02:53,860

future spare we're looking at ways to

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00:02:59,050 --> 00:02:57,380

potentially add external valving to it

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00:03:00,670 --> 00:02:59,060

to get away from that flow control away

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00:03:03,130 --> 00:03:00,680

from that flow control valve issue that

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00:03:07,180 --> 00:03:03,140

we what we had that gave us the initial

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00:03:09,340 --> 00:03:07,190

problem we conducted our ISS mission

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00:03:12,400 --> 00:03:09,350

readiness review yesterday at the IMM

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00:03:15,460 --> 00:03:12,410

tea I'm glad to say we have met all of

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00:03:17,560 --> 00:03:15,470

our launch commit criteria so so from an

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00:03:19,990 --> 00:03:17,570

ISS standpoint we're good to go we did

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00:03:23,080 --> 00:03:20,000

our proximity checkouts we've got the

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00:03:25,270 --> 00:03:23,090

SSR engine and a couple more onboard

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00:03:28,290 --> 00:03:25,280

training with our crew members that will

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00:03:30,940 --> 00:03:28,300

take place between now and capture day

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00:03:32,530 --> 00:03:30,950

and so we'll get that into the timeline

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00:03:35,050 --> 00:03:32,540

and then we also plan to give our crew a

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00:03:37,059 --> 00:03:35,060

couple days off between now and

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00:03:39,490 --> 00:03:37,069

and the critical activity of capturing

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00:03:41,770 --> 00:03:39,500

and bursting of the Cygnus to note to

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00:03:44,380 --> 00:03:41,780

nadir so our window will open up

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00:03:46,510 --> 00:03:44,390

tomorrow and I'm sure Frank will talk a

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00:03:48,970 --> 00:03:46,520

lot more about the processing that's

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00:03:52,509 --> 00:03:48,980

going on at the hip and at the pad as

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00:03:54,640 --> 00:03:52,519

well as a weather report we are really

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00:03:58,030 --> 00:03:54,650

looking forward to this first orbital

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00:04:01,509 --> 00:03:58,040
cargo mission we're curing about 1,500

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00:04:03,580 --> 00:04:01,519
kilograms of carville full load we made

103
00:04:05,680 --> 00:04:03,590
no restrictions on what we placed on the

104
00:04:08,470 --> 00:04:05,690
manifest if it was a critical need we

105
00:04:10,210 --> 00:04:08,480
put it on there we've got four or five

106
00:04:12,100 --> 00:04:10,220
hundred kilograms of research flying and

107
00:04:13,809 --> 00:04:12,110
so we're ready to get on with this

108
00:04:18,280 --> 00:04:13,819
mission looking forward to tomorrow

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00:04:20,289 --> 00:04:18,290
afternoon and following that we're kind

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00:04:21,969 --> 00:04:20,299
of we're passionate ourselves to hit our

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00:04:24,520 --> 00:04:21,979
stride with all of our new commercial

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00:04:27,610 --> 00:04:24,530
cargo vehicles in the 2014 time period

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00:04:30,310 --> 00:04:27,620

we've got about five or six slated for

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00:04:32,440 --> 00:04:30,320

this year or one will be the first we'll

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00:04:33,760 --> 00:04:32,450

get into some SpaceX and basically kind

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00:04:35,650 --> 00:04:33,770

of alternate back and forth between

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00:04:37,300 --> 00:04:35,660

orbitals and SpaceX throughout the year

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00:04:39,340 --> 00:04:37,310

and so we're really looking to hit our

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00:04:42,250 --> 00:04:39,350

stride in 2014 to meet our up mess up

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00:04:45,760 --> 00:04:42,260

most needs as far as a little bit of

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00:04:47,080 --> 00:04:45,770

look ahead on the ISS as you know the

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00:04:50,320 --> 00:04:47,090

Russians had a little bit of trouble

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00:04:52,200 --> 00:04:50,330

with their EBA that they did after after

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00:04:54,610 --> 00:04:52,210

Christmas they had some issues

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00:04:56,890 --> 00:04:54,620

integrating a couple of their telescopes

126
00:04:59,790 --> 00:04:56,900
on to their segment they brought those

127
00:05:02,050 --> 00:04:59,800
telescopes back in and just as a

128
00:05:04,659 --> 00:05:02,060
information we're in discussions with

129
00:05:08,080 --> 00:05:04,669
them as far as a carrying out a second

130
00:05:10,960 --> 00:05:08,090
dva to put those back in place pry it

131
00:05:12,730 --> 00:05:10,970
the tail end of january and i think

132
00:05:15,490 --> 00:05:12,740
we're targeting around the january 27

133
00:05:18,219 --> 00:05:15,500
time period we have 52 p that will

134
00:05:22,629 --> 00:05:18,229
undock on february second with in 54 p

135
00:05:24,400 --> 00:05:22,639
arriving on february fifth following

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00:05:26,980 --> 00:05:24,410
that we'll have our space x 3 mission

137
00:05:29,320 --> 00:05:26,990
which is still slated for february 22nd

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00:05:31,570 --> 00:05:29,330

space second spacex had a very

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00:05:33,820 --> 00:05:31,580

successful one dot one falcon one dot

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00:05:36,490 --> 00:05:33,830

one launched yesterday which paved the

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00:05:38,620 --> 00:05:36,500

way for for the february 22nd mission so

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00:05:40,629 --> 00:05:38,630

we're really looking forward to that so

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00:05:43,149 --> 00:05:40,639

to recap we're really excited about the

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00:05:44,770 --> 00:05:43,159

orb 1 launch tomorrow and we're ready to

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00:05:47,320 --> 00:05:44,780

go we're ready to capture it on Sunday

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00:05:48,460 --> 00:05:47,330

and so with that I'll turn it back over

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00:05:51,280 --> 00:05:48,470

to Trent

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00:05:52,780 --> 00:05:51,290

Frank thank you very much Dan yet let's

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00:05:55,120 --> 00:05:52,790

start with the Frank Culbertson here at

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00:05:56,950 --> 00:05:55,130

Wallace thank you very much and good

151
00:06:00,640 --> 00:05:56,960
afternoon to everybody and welcome to

152
00:06:02,800 --> 00:06:00,650
Wallops as you know we were at the pad

153
00:06:04,420 --> 00:06:02,810
in December a lot of us were actually on

154
00:06:07,120 --> 00:06:04,430
our way to Wallops when the decision was

155
00:06:09,280 --> 00:06:07,130
made to conduct the EVs rather than

156
00:06:11,320 --> 00:06:09,290
continuing with the processing for the

157
00:06:13,510 --> 00:06:11,330
launch I congratulate nests on the

158
00:06:16,330 --> 00:06:13,520
success of those EVs the crew did a

159
00:06:17,680 --> 00:06:16,340
great job of replacing the pump very

160
00:06:19,840 --> 00:06:17,690
efficiently and quicker than they

161
00:06:21,820 --> 00:06:19,850
thought but it's always a tough job to

162
00:06:24,040 --> 00:06:21,830
replace something that big so we were

163
00:06:25,510 --> 00:06:24,050

happy to see that completed it did give

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00:06:28,180 --> 00:06:25,520

everybody a chance to take a little bit

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00:06:29,980 --> 00:06:28,190

of time off over the holidays and now

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00:06:32,530 --> 00:06:29,990

we're back here again and out on the pad

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00:06:34,660 --> 00:06:32,540

and getting ready to go this is going to

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00:06:36,550 --> 00:06:34,670

be a big week for Space Flight in the US

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00:06:39,970 --> 00:06:36,560

and I congratulate SpaceX on their

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00:06:41,830 --> 00:06:39,980

successful launch yesterday and that's a

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00:06:43,770 --> 00:06:41,840

big deal to be launching so many in one

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00:06:45,909 --> 00:06:43,780

week December was a very busy month

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00:06:47,260 --> 00:06:45,919

January's going to be busy and I think

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00:06:49,780 --> 00:06:47,270

you're going to see that the United

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00:06:51,340 --> 00:06:49,790

States is going to continue to build up

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00:06:54,060 --> 00:06:51,350

our launch rate and build up our

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00:06:56,650 --> 00:06:54,070

capabilities to carry payloads

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00:06:59,710 --> 00:06:56,660

commercial satellites and eventually

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00:07:02,350 --> 00:06:59,720

humans into orbit so keep an eye on

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00:07:03,760 --> 00:07:02,360

what's going on because you all probably

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00:07:05,409 --> 00:07:03,770

will want to be a part of it someday

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00:07:08,580 --> 00:07:05,419

particularly the students that are

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00:07:11,170 --> 00:07:08,590

watching this will be the first of three

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00:07:15,070 --> 00:07:11,180

contracted cargo delivery missions for

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00:07:17,350 --> 00:07:15,080

us this year we plan to also launched

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00:07:20,620 --> 00:07:17,360

one in May and another in October at the

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00:07:22,200 --> 00:07:20,630

schedule holes and in the at the end of

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00:07:26,200 --> 00:07:22,210

the year we will have delivered

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00:07:28,540 --> 00:07:26,210

approximately 50 500 kilograms of cargo

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00:07:31,150 --> 00:07:28,550

to the space station commercially this

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00:07:34,210 --> 00:07:31,160

mission is going to carry 1461 kilograms

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00:07:36,550 --> 00:07:34,220

not quite a full load but pretty close a

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00:07:38,740 --> 00:07:36,560

lot of it was late load science as Dan

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00:07:40,300 --> 00:07:38,750

said experiments and you've been

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00:07:43,030 --> 00:07:40,310

learning about those earlier today many

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00:07:44,890 --> 00:07:43,040

of you in the audience here and I can't

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00:07:46,810 --> 00:07:44,900

emphasize enough the importance of

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00:07:49,450 --> 00:07:46,820

carrying the research to the space

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00:07:52,360 --> 00:07:49,460

station and continuing to develop that

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00:07:53,260 --> 00:07:52,370

facility as a as a laboratory and as a

201
00:07:54,370 --> 00:07:53,270
now

202
00:07:56,740 --> 00:07:54,380
hosts in which we can conduct

203
00:07:59,860 --> 00:07:56,750
experiments research and learn more and

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00:08:01,330 --> 00:07:59,870
more about living in space it also as we

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00:08:03,700 --> 00:08:01,340
develop its capabilities will be a

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00:08:06,010 --> 00:08:03,710
stepping stone at least figuratively if

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00:08:09,310 --> 00:08:06,020
not literally to the rest of the solar

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00:08:10,630 --> 00:08:09,320
system we're on a tight schedule Mike

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00:08:13,240 --> 00:08:10,640
will tell you in a moment where we are

210
00:08:14,740 --> 00:08:13,250
in the processing and we've got a little

211
00:08:17,740 --> 00:08:14,750
bit of margin left in the schedule but

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00:08:19,330 --> 00:08:17,750
not a lot and we intend to continue to

213
00:08:20,650 --> 00:08:19,340

work through the night and bring the

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00:08:23,710 --> 00:08:20,660

team in in the morning to begin the

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00:08:25,330 --> 00:08:23,720

countdown processing and launch it 132

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00:08:28,420 --> 00:08:25,340

tomorrow afternoon we've got only a

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00:08:30,160 --> 00:08:28,430

five-minute window so it's going to be a

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00:08:33,520 --> 00:08:30,170

countdown that's going to have to go

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00:08:35,920 --> 00:08:33,530

very smoothly for us after launch we

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00:08:38,520 --> 00:08:35,930

will rendezvous in about approximately

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00:08:40,450 --> 00:08:38,530

three days two-and-a-half to three days

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00:08:42,880 --> 00:08:40,460

well actually if we launched tomorrow

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00:08:44,710 --> 00:08:42,890

it'll be three and a half days and if we

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00:08:46,210 --> 00:08:44,720

launch on Thursday it'll be two and a

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00:08:47,590 --> 00:08:46,220

half days so either way we're going to

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00:08:51,670 --> 00:08:47,600

arrive at the station on the twelfth of

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00:08:55,270 --> 00:08:51,680

January and deliver the cargo to the

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00:08:57,190 --> 00:08:55,280

crew our fate our rendezvous date

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00:08:59,650 --> 00:08:57,200

depends on the phasing and where the

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00:09:01,480 --> 00:08:59,660

station is when we launched and and how

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00:09:04,090 --> 00:09:01,490

much we have to make make up ground as

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00:09:06,100 --> 00:09:04,100

we as we catch up with them so it varies

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00:09:07,560 --> 00:09:06,110

a little bit day to day but we're trying

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00:09:09,790 --> 00:09:07,570

to reduce the time as much as possible

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00:09:14,470 --> 00:09:09,800

before arrival so that the science

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00:09:15,970 --> 00:09:14,480

arrives as fresh as possible I want to

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00:09:20,100 --> 00:09:15,980

emphasize before I hand it over to Mike

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00:09:22,510 --> 00:09:20,110

again the importance of what we're doing

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00:09:25,810 --> 00:09:22,520

David Thompson and all of us at orbital

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00:09:29,620 --> 00:09:25,820

believe in developing the capability to

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00:09:32,080 --> 00:09:29,630

fly payloads spacecraft and rockets into

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00:09:33,580 --> 00:09:32,090

space on a commercial basis we support

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00:09:35,230 --> 00:09:33,590

government customers private customers

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00:09:36,700 --> 00:09:35,240

and now we're supporting the

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00:09:39,910 --> 00:09:36,710

International Space Station and it's

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00:09:41,740 --> 00:09:39,920

research and we continue we tend to

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00:09:43,930 --> 00:09:41,750

continue growing that business as do

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00:09:45,940 --> 00:09:43,940

other companies but that what that means

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00:09:48,100 --> 00:09:45,950

is that science will be more readily

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00:09:49,900 --> 00:09:48,110

accessible to people on earth because

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00:09:52,360 --> 00:09:49,910
they can participate in what's going on

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00:09:53,800 --> 00:09:52,370
in in space it also means the space

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00:09:56,140 --> 00:09:53,810
station will continue to grow in

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00:09:58,030 --> 00:09:56,150
relevance and in productivity which will

255
00:10:00,100 --> 00:09:58,040
allow us to have a future for human

256
00:10:01,720 --> 00:10:00,110
spaceflight in this country and a future

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00:10:03,199 --> 00:10:01,730
for our children to go into space to

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00:10:05,179 --> 00:10:03,209
explore

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00:10:06,859 --> 00:10:05,189
if we keep the space station going we

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00:10:10,579 --> 00:10:06,869
will have that future so it's important

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00:10:12,259 --> 00:10:10,589
that we do that Space Flight is hard it

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00:10:13,790 --> 00:10:12,269
will never really be easy until we have

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00:10:15,079 --> 00:10:13,800

some new technology that allows us to

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00:10:17,299 --> 00:10:15,089

levitate off the surface of the earth

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00:10:20,419 --> 00:10:17,309

and I hear they're working on that but

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00:10:22,460 --> 00:10:20,429

we don't have it at any rate every

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00:10:25,819 --> 00:10:22,470

countdown we do is difficult and it's

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00:10:27,679 --> 00:10:25,829

mike will did it run out of time no as

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00:10:30,230 --> 00:10:27,689

Michael will point out we've been

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00:10:31,910 --> 00:10:30,240

dealing with challenges here spaceflight

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00:10:35,090 --> 00:10:31,920

requires a lot of energy a lot of people

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00:10:36,919 --> 00:10:35,100

a complexity and and a lot of dedication

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00:10:38,509 --> 00:10:36,929

and that's what you see here is the

274

00:10:40,790 --> 00:10:38,519

dedication of these teams here at

275

00:10:43,549 --> 00:10:40,800

Wallops at the launch pad and at orbital

276

00:10:45,739 --> 00:10:43,559

to continue conducting spaceflight on a

277

00:10:48,139 --> 00:10:45,749

commercial basis and carry cargo to the

278

00:10:49,790 --> 00:10:48,149

International Space Station persistence

279

00:10:51,669 --> 00:10:49,800

is what really makes a difference in

280

00:10:54,290 --> 00:10:51,679

this so with that I want to introduce

281

00:10:57,290 --> 00:10:54,300

Mike Kingston who is a program manager

282

00:10:59,900 --> 00:10:57,300

for our entire East program very proud

283

00:11:01,759 --> 00:10:59,910

of what Mike has done successful test

284

00:11:03,650 --> 00:11:01,769

flight last year a successful demo

285

00:11:05,720 --> 00:11:03,660

mission and he's leading a great team

286

00:11:08,269 --> 00:11:05,730

who worked really hard through a very

287

00:11:11,809 --> 00:11:08,279

cold night last night to continue the

288

00:11:14,449 --> 00:11:11,819

processing so Mike all right thanks I

289

00:11:16,069 --> 00:11:14,459

think I have a few photos to show that

290

00:11:19,489 --> 00:11:16,079

will kind of talk you through some of

291

00:11:21,259 --> 00:11:19,499

the major milestones that got us to the

292

00:11:24,079 --> 00:11:21,269

point we're at today getting ready for a

293

00:11:26,780 --> 00:11:24,089

launch tomorrow so if we can bring up

294

00:11:29,059 --> 00:11:26,790

the photos now the first one is a shot

295

00:11:32,030 --> 00:11:29,069

now you'll see the Cygnus spacecraft in

296

00:11:33,499 --> 00:11:32,040

the foreground of our in the foreground

297

00:11:36,019 --> 00:11:33,509

of our horizontal integration facility

298

00:11:37,609 --> 00:11:36,029

over on the island here Wallops in the

299

00:11:40,400 --> 00:11:37,619

background you'll see the a fully

300

00:11:43,400 --> 00:11:40,410

assembled Antares rocket being lifted

301
00:11:46,100 --> 00:11:43,410
off of its production dollies and over

302
00:11:48,679 --> 00:11:46,110
over on the right to the transporter

303
00:11:50,269 --> 00:11:48,689
erector launchers strong back which is

304
00:11:53,150 --> 00:11:50,279
the big white structure you see that's

305
00:11:56,090 --> 00:11:53,160
used to erect the launch vehicle on the

306
00:11:58,579 --> 00:11:56,100
launch pad this photo was obviously

307
00:12:00,289 --> 00:11:58,589
taken you know back in the early

308
00:12:01,820 --> 00:12:00,299
December time frame before the first

309
00:12:06,560 --> 00:12:01,830
roll out in

310
00:12:09,050 --> 00:12:06,570
in mid December we get the next one this

311
00:12:11,800 --> 00:12:09,060
is a shot of the the sickness mate

312
00:12:15,200 --> 00:12:11,810
operation the sickness is rotated from

313
00:12:19,070 --> 00:12:15,210

from its vertical position that you saw

314

00:12:20,690 --> 00:12:19,080

the previous slide to a horizontal on a

315

00:12:22,430 --> 00:12:20,700

mating fixture and then rolled up to the

316

00:12:25,820 --> 00:12:22,440

front of the Antares rocket and our

317

00:12:30,530 --> 00:12:25,830

teams they're attaching it to the to the

318

00:12:33,560 --> 00:12:30,540

second stage of Antares on to the next

319

00:12:35,870 --> 00:12:33,570

one this is a this is a photo after that

320

00:12:37,970 --> 00:12:35,880

mate and a little a couple of test

321

00:12:41,120 --> 00:12:37,980

operations we go into the final cardo

322

00:12:44,090 --> 00:12:41,130

load that's the team up on the up on the

323

00:12:46,730 --> 00:12:44,100

stand there loading the final cargo bags

324

00:12:50,150 --> 00:12:46,740

into the Cygnus spacecraft after which

325

00:12:56,300 --> 00:12:50,160

we button button the pressurized cargo

326

00:12:58,370 --> 00:12:56,310

module up for for flight the next after

327

00:13:01,400 --> 00:12:58,380

that we slide the fairing over the top

328

00:13:03,440 --> 00:13:01,410

and encapsulate the payload and that's

329

00:13:05,810 --> 00:13:03,450

really the final major step we

330

00:13:09,140 --> 00:13:05,820

accomplished prior to roll out to the

331

00:13:11,480 --> 00:13:09,150

pad it takes to the next one this is a

332

00:13:13,790 --> 00:13:11,490

photo of that rollout operation this was

333

00:13:16,400 --> 00:13:13,800

actually the first roll out in December

334

00:13:18,500 --> 00:13:16,410

you can see it's at night that was a

335

00:13:21,800 --> 00:13:18,510

three o'clock in the morning on December

336

00:13:24,380 --> 00:13:21,810

17th and you'll see the Antares rocket

337

00:13:27,470 --> 00:13:24,390

on the transporter erector on its way to

338

00:13:29,840 --> 00:13:27,480

the pad the portable air-conditioning

339

00:13:32,090 --> 00:13:29,850

unit behind it to keeping everything

340

00:13:37,250 --> 00:13:32,100

condition nice and cozy and all of the

341

00:13:40,940 --> 00:13:37,260

all the payload base then the next one

342

00:13:44,090 --> 00:13:40,950

is finally the erection of the the

343

00:13:47,390 --> 00:13:44,100

rocket up onto the pad so you know where

344

00:13:48,950 --> 00:13:47,400

we are now we actually went through that

345

00:13:51,320 --> 00:13:48,960

operation back in December as I've

346

00:13:53,090 --> 00:13:51,330

already mentioned before we we stood

347

00:13:57,440 --> 00:13:53,100

down for the repairs on the space

348

00:13:59,240 --> 00:13:57,450

station we were prepared to do that to

349

00:14:00,860 --> 00:13:59,250

roll it back out Saturday we ended up

350

00:14:03,880 --> 00:14:00,870

having to push that off a day to work a

351
00:14:06,380 --> 00:14:03,890
problem with the hydraulic system on the

352
00:14:09,500 --> 00:14:06,390
on the erection on the erector out of

353
00:14:10,790 --> 00:14:09,510
the pad got to roll out sunday around

354
00:14:14,000 --> 00:14:10,800
four o'clock in the afternoon

355
00:14:16,519 --> 00:14:14,010
and the team has been out there 24 24

356
00:14:18,019 --> 00:14:16,529
hours around the clock since getting the

357
00:14:21,259 --> 00:14:18,029
rocket connected to the pad all the

358
00:14:22,759 --> 00:14:21,269
commodity lines installed the thrust

359
00:14:26,570 --> 00:14:22,769
vector control system checked out

360
00:14:28,730 --> 00:14:26,580
through a very cold night last night and

361
00:14:32,300 --> 00:14:28,740
then end of the day with the final

362
00:14:34,579 --> 00:14:32,310
combined systems testing and the final

363
00:14:37,009 --> 00:14:34,589

closeouts and ready reading the the

364

00:14:39,079 --> 00:14:37,019

rocker for launch so pending you know

365

00:14:41,240 --> 00:14:39,089

the successful completion of our clothes

366

00:14:43,130 --> 00:14:41,250

out activities today will be ready to go

367

00:14:46,430 --> 00:14:43,140

for launch tomorrow morning or tomorrow

368

00:14:49,130 --> 00:14:46,440

I guess it's 132 so tomorrow afternoon

369

00:14:51,199 --> 00:14:49,140

the team will be in early like we were

370

00:14:54,740 --> 00:14:51,209

on station around 5-530 in the morning

371

00:14:57,259 --> 00:14:54,750

to to get ready for a launch just after

372

00:15:01,610 --> 00:14:57,269

lunch time and with that handed over to

373

00:15:04,100 --> 00:15:01,620

sara's here thank you so the Wallops

374

00:15:06,949 --> 00:15:04,110

launch range here is responsible for

375

00:15:09,590 --> 00:15:06,959

ensuring a safe flight of the vehicle

376

00:15:12,350 --> 00:15:09,600

and a clear path for the Antares to

377

00:15:15,740 --> 00:15:12,360

launch through and so earlier today we

378

00:15:17,930 --> 00:15:15,750

had a launch readiness review now our

379

00:15:20,600 --> 00:15:17,940

final review before we proceed into

380

00:15:23,680 --> 00:15:20,610

those launch operations if you go to my

381

00:15:26,510 --> 00:15:23,690

first graphic here I'll talk about our

382

00:15:31,130 --> 00:15:26,520

Wallops launch range support so we have

383

00:15:34,280 --> 00:15:31,140

a host of radars and telemetry antennas

384

00:15:36,170 --> 00:15:34,290

and command antennas as well as many

385

00:15:39,050 --> 00:15:36,180

other types of instrumentation that will

386

00:15:41,690 --> 00:15:39,060

be supporting the launch here locally at

387

00:15:45,340 --> 00:15:41,700

Wallops and then also at our downrange

388

00:15:49,040 --> 00:15:45,350

site in Bermuda all of those

389

00:15:53,449 --> 00:15:49,050

instrumentation pieces have been tested

390

00:15:56,420 --> 00:15:53,459

verified configured and validated ready

391

00:16:03,050 --> 00:15:56,430

for to support the launch operation

392

00:16:05,510 --> 00:16:03,060

tomorrow afternoon my next item that I

393

00:16:09,019 --> 00:16:05,520

wanted to talk about is the safe flight

394

00:16:13,639 --> 00:16:09,029

that I mentioned earlier we have also

395

00:16:18,019 --> 00:16:13,649

worked with the FAA with the US Navy

396

00:16:20,150 --> 00:16:18,029

fake capes and the US Coast Guard to put

397

00:16:23,210 --> 00:16:20,160

out our notices to Airmen and notice to

398

00:16:25,999 --> 00:16:23,220

Mariners for the launch operations

399

00:16:28,819 --> 00:16:26,009

tomorrow and throughout the week if we

400

00:16:30,980 --> 00:16:28,829

need that to ensure that the ocean space

401
00:16:34,759 --> 00:16:30,990
and air space is clear for launch

402
00:16:37,780 --> 00:16:34,769
operations my next graphic moving into

403
00:16:40,850 --> 00:16:37,790
the weather which I think everyone is

404
00:16:46,249 --> 00:16:40,860
patiently waiting to see so this is our

405
00:16:48,499 --> 00:16:46,259
weather forecast for tomorrow currently

406
00:16:50,900 --> 00:16:48,509
at launch time we're predicting that be

407
00:16:54,829 --> 00:16:50,910
mostly sunny the winds will kind of be

408
00:16:57,579 --> 00:16:54,839
out of the Southwest very light for us

409
00:17:00,889 --> 00:16:57,589
being right off the Atlantic Ocean here

410
00:17:05,029 --> 00:17:00,899
temperature still very chilly in the low

411
00:17:06,860 --> 00:17:05,039
30s and with all of that our probability

412
00:17:09,289 --> 00:17:06,870
of a favorable launch conditions

413
00:17:11,299 --> 00:17:09,299

tomorrow are up at ninety-five percent

414

00:17:14,240 --> 00:17:11,309

so tomorrow looks like a very good

415

00:17:18,919 --> 00:17:14,250

weather day for our launch operations

416

00:17:21,710 --> 00:17:18,929

here and are my last graphic that I have

417

00:17:24,769 --> 00:17:21,720

will just show with the nice weather

418

00:17:28,880 --> 00:17:24,779

conditions and with the size of this

419

00:17:31,760 --> 00:17:28,890

rocket the visibility of it during the

420

00:17:34,340 --> 00:17:31,770

day tomorrow so you can see viewers all

421

00:17:36,860 --> 00:17:34,350

along the east coast there will have a

422

00:17:40,370 --> 00:17:36,870

chance to catch a glimpse of it in the

423

00:17:43,399 --> 00:17:40,380

sky when we do launch tomorrow in the

424

00:17:46,549 --> 00:17:43,409

early afternoon and with that I'll turn

425

00:17:48,230 --> 00:17:46,559

it back over to sir ok let's take

426
00:17:49,279 --> 00:17:48,240
questions we'll start here in the

427
00:17:50,779 --> 00:17:49,289
audience and we'll go to the phone lines

428
00:17:52,200 --> 00:17:50,789
reminder if you're watching from home

429
00:17:53,220 --> 00:17:52,210
you can use the hashtag

430
00:17:55,730 --> 00:17:53,230
ask NASA and we'll get to as many

431
00:18:01,710 --> 00:17:55,740
questions as we can let's start here

432
00:18:03,870 --> 00:18:01,720
Doug moni team got Doug moni TMC at two

433
00:18:07,610 --> 00:18:03,880
questions for Frank number one how many

434
00:18:10,080 --> 00:18:07,620
do-overs does NASA get for for pausing a

435
00:18:11,880 --> 00:18:10,090
particular launched under contract it's

436
00:18:13,860 --> 00:18:11,890
got to cost you some money to roll back

437
00:18:16,350 --> 00:18:13,870
the rock it back and forth each time

438
00:18:18,690 --> 00:18:16,360

well how much money do we give to NASA

439

00:18:20,549 --> 00:18:18,700

did you say no no how many times all

440

00:18:23,730 --> 00:18:20,559

right how many how many times within the

441

00:18:26,639 --> 00:18:23,740

contract does NASA get a do-over or a

442

00:18:28,529 --> 00:18:26,649

pause or stop because that's not

443

00:18:31,169 --> 00:18:28,539

specified in the contract it's a fixed

444

00:18:34,889 --> 00:18:31,179

price contract and so if we incur

445

00:18:36,330 --> 00:18:34,899

additional costs due to NASA changing

446

00:18:37,980 --> 00:18:36,340

requirements or changing schedule

447

00:18:39,810 --> 00:18:37,990

whatever then we would go back and

448

00:18:43,649 --> 00:18:39,820

negotiate with them what the who would

449

00:18:45,720 --> 00:18:43,659

bear that cost but it's not set a

450

00:18:48,590 --> 00:18:45,730

specific number of times in the contract

451

00:18:51,060 --> 00:18:48,600

the second question can you contrast

452

00:18:52,649 --> 00:18:51,070

cold weather we're having here with some

453

00:18:55,230 --> 00:18:52,659

of the other launch sites around the

454

00:18:56,610 --> 00:18:55,240

world i mean florida might not be too

455

00:18:58,560 --> 00:18:56,620

happy with this type of weather but it

456

00:19:02,970 --> 00:18:58,570

bakken or they're probably laughing at

457

00:19:04,620 --> 00:19:02,980

us because it's too warm well you said

458

00:19:07,529 --> 00:19:04,630

it i cannot it gets even colder than this

459

00:19:09,389 --> 00:19:07,539

and they still launch Florida hasn't

460

00:19:11,639 --> 00:19:09,399

launched very often in cold weather and

461

00:19:13,680 --> 00:19:11,649

it hasn't always gone well so they're

462

00:19:16,139 --> 00:19:13,690

used to the temperate and hot

463

00:19:18,049 --> 00:19:16,149

temperatures for launching down there we

464

00:19:21,930 --> 00:19:18,059

designed the rocket to operate down to

465

00:19:23,340 --> 00:19:21,940

at least 20 degrees Fahrenheit and so we

466

00:19:26,000 --> 00:19:23,350

feel comfortable that we can operate in

467

00:19:28,649 --> 00:19:26,010

these conditions the extended

468

00:19:29,909 --> 00:19:28,659

sub-freezing temperatures or something

469

00:19:31,680 --> 00:19:29,919

we look at very carefully to make sure

470

00:19:33,480 --> 00:19:31,690

we understand what the impact of that is

471

00:19:35,909 --> 00:19:33,490

and so will we will look at the

472

00:19:37,230 --> 00:19:35,919

temperature profile over the 48 hours

473

00:19:39,210 --> 00:19:37,240

leading up to launch to make sure we're

474

00:19:41,490 --> 00:19:39,220

comfortable from an analysis standpoint

475

00:19:42,810 --> 00:19:41,500

with with proceeding but so far

476

00:19:45,149 --> 00:19:42,820

everything looks good was like do you

477

00:19:47,789 --> 00:19:45,159

want to add to that no I you know I

478

00:19:50,399 --> 00:19:47,799

think the the cold temperatures and the

479

00:19:51,539 --> 00:19:50,409

extended cold temperatures you know

480

00:19:55,110 --> 00:19:51,549

definitely present some unique

481

00:19:56,850 --> 00:19:55,120

challenges to us as far as controlling

482

00:20:00,120 --> 00:19:56,860

the temperatures of critical components

483

00:20:02,250 --> 00:20:00,130

but you'll note that the fairing the the

484

00:20:04,680 --> 00:20:02,260

aft Bay the entertained a were all the

485

00:20:06,810 --> 00:20:04,690

the critical components those are all

486

00:20:09,090 --> 00:20:06,820

conditioned it's really a challenge of

487

00:20:11,340 --> 00:20:09,100

making sure the the air conditioning

488

00:20:13,799 --> 00:20:11,350

systems can keep up with the weather and

489

00:20:15,210 --> 00:20:13,809

keep those components that they're you

490

00:20:18,090 --> 00:20:15,220

know temperatures there within their

491

00:20:19,470 --> 00:20:18,100

qualified design constraints so so far

492

00:20:21,000 --> 00:20:19,480

you know for the most part that's gone

493

00:20:24,510 --> 00:20:21,010

well we're looking at a couple of things

494

00:20:26,490 --> 00:20:24,520

over the course of today but expecting

495

00:20:28,350 --> 00:20:26,500

good results from that and you know

496

00:20:30,419 --> 00:20:28,360

actually tomorrow will be a little the

497

00:20:33,029 --> 00:20:30,429

less challenging day than today was and

498

00:20:35,070 --> 00:20:33,039

if you know if it things go the way

499

00:20:36,930 --> 00:20:35,080

they're predicted to go we're feeling

500

00:20:38,940 --> 00:20:36,940

pretty good that we've got we've got

501
00:20:40,799 --> 00:20:38,950
control of the situation the other

502
00:20:44,129 --> 00:20:40,809
aspect we made a lot of attention to was

503
00:20:45,930 --> 00:20:44,139
crew safety ground crew safety and last

504
00:20:47,549 --> 00:20:45,940
night they had pretty high winds and

505
00:20:50,220 --> 00:20:47,559
very low temperatures so wind chill was

506
00:20:52,560 --> 00:20:50,230
a was a factor and so we had to make

507
00:20:53,789 --> 00:20:52,570
sure that people really did Willie were

508
00:20:57,210 --> 00:20:53,799
prepared to operate in those conditions

509
00:20:58,590 --> 00:20:57,220
and that we kept him warm and that we

510
00:21:00,690 --> 00:20:58,600
didn't push him to a pace that was

511
00:21:07,970 --> 00:21:00,700
unrealistic or unreasonable in those

512
00:21:18,200 --> 00:21:13,210
i Ken Kramer Universe Today question for

513
00:21:19,940 --> 00:21:18,210

Frank and I'm and probably Mike as you

514

00:21:22,430 --> 00:21:19,950

mentioned it's been a big week for Space

515

00:21:25,010 --> 00:21:22,440

Flight SpaceX just launched yesterday

516

00:21:28,400 --> 00:21:25,020

and there you're one of your biggest

517

00:21:31,190 --> 00:21:28,410

competitors and I wonder do you do you

518

00:21:33,440 --> 00:21:31,200

think you can compete with them on price

519

00:21:37,789 --> 00:21:33,450

are you going to be upgrading the

520

00:21:39,320 --> 00:21:37,799

Antares rocket in any way because you

521

00:21:41,690 --> 00:21:39,330

must be feeling a lot of heat from them

522

00:21:44,840 --> 00:21:41,700

and are you you were looking to get I

523

00:21:46,789 --> 00:21:44,850

know new customers when we talked at the

524

00:21:50,000 --> 00:21:46,799

September launch and give us an update

525

00:21:51,530 --> 00:21:50,010

on that Thanks sure yes I of course they

526
00:21:53,120 --> 00:21:51,540
are one of the competitors and they've

527
00:21:56,750 --> 00:21:53,130
been very successful in the last couple

528
00:21:58,700 --> 00:21:56,760
of years in developing new versions of

529
00:22:01,010 --> 00:21:58,710
their rocket we also working on new

530
00:22:03,770 --> 00:22:01,020
versions of our rocket and in fact by

531
00:22:05,270 --> 00:22:03,780
the fourth CRS mission we will have an

532
00:22:08,150 --> 00:22:05,280
upgraded version that will fly more

533
00:22:10,520 --> 00:22:08,160
payload we're also looking at long range

534
00:22:12,590 --> 00:22:10,530
of what the configuration of the of the

535
00:22:14,060 --> 00:22:12,600
Antares will be both of an engine

536
00:22:16,240 --> 00:22:14,070
standpoint and from upper stage

537
00:22:18,560 --> 00:22:16,250
standpoint so we've got plans in work

538
00:22:20,060 --> 00:22:18,570

that it's not appropriate for me to talk

539

00:22:21,919 --> 00:22:20,070

too much about them but we certainly

540

00:22:23,750 --> 00:22:21,929

looking at that and we are negotiating

541

00:22:27,140 --> 00:22:23,760

with people for other payloads besides

542

00:22:29,840 --> 00:22:27,150

the Cygnus spacecraft and identify more

543

00:22:33,500 --> 00:22:29,850

than just cargo a lot of Wallops here so

544

00:22:35,630 --> 00:22:33,510

we do have big plans for it and as I

545

00:22:38,419 --> 00:22:35,640

said SpaceX can should be congratulated

546

00:22:39,620 --> 00:22:38,429

on their on their launch another reason

547

00:22:41,030 --> 00:22:39,630

we were actually happy about that is

548

00:22:44,060 --> 00:22:41,040

because we built the space craft that

549

00:22:46,820 --> 00:22:44,070

flew on that the thaicom six and so we

550

00:22:48,860 --> 00:22:46,830

were very happy to see that that

551

00:22:51,590 --> 00:22:48,870

delivered to space and is performing

552

00:22:54,490 --> 00:22:51,600

very well orbital has a broad portfolio

553

00:22:57,169 --> 00:22:54,500

of business not just the launch

554

00:22:58,760 --> 00:22:57,179

operations that we conduct we built a

555

00:23:02,360 --> 00:22:58,770

lot of spacecraft with build national

556

00:23:07,000 --> 00:23:02,370

security systems and and we have lots of

557

00:23:09,790 --> 00:23:07,010

big plans for the future Terry

558

00:23:11,500 --> 00:23:09,800

thank you talk malik with the space calm

559

00:23:15,610 --> 00:23:11,510

and i have a question from like you

560

00:23:18,940 --> 00:23:15,620

mentioned the frigid temperatures at the

561

00:23:21,220 --> 00:23:18,950

pad and i'm wondering has you know has

562

00:23:22,570 --> 00:23:21,230

that cold made you kind of scale down

563

00:23:24,640 --> 00:23:22,580

the number of folks you have out there

564

00:23:25,960 --> 00:23:24,650

do they all go out there with you know

565

00:23:27,430 --> 00:23:25,970

hot chocolate and marshmallow something

566

00:23:29,980 --> 00:23:27,440

like that you know how have you been

567

00:23:32,110 --> 00:23:29,990

keeping them warm to keep to maintain

568

00:23:33,490 --> 00:23:32,120

the focus you need for launch given the

569

00:23:35,050 --> 00:23:33,500

last couple ones where we're going to do

570

00:23:37,360 --> 00:23:35,060

a more temperate time no marshmallows

571

00:23:40,480 --> 00:23:37,370

before you get yeah yeah keep keep the

572

00:23:42,310 --> 00:23:40,490

marshmallows off the pad you know it's

573

00:23:44,290 --> 00:23:42,320

it's you know it's frank said it's it's

574

00:23:45,700 --> 00:23:44,300

a combination of things you know we

575

00:23:47,170 --> 00:23:45,710

definitely are making sure they're

576

00:23:49,150 --> 00:23:47,180

outfitted with the right with the right

577

00:23:52,480 --> 00:23:49,160

clothes you know for example last night

578

00:23:54,190 --> 00:23:52,490

we had a we had a truck close by running

579

00:23:56,290 --> 00:23:54,200

with the heater going to make sure that

580

00:23:57,640 --> 00:23:56,300

the guys you know they weren't required

581

00:23:59,050 --> 00:23:57,650

to be out on the pad one hundred percent

582

00:24:00,810 --> 00:23:59,060

of the time so when they weren't there

583

00:24:02,740 --> 00:24:00,820

they were in a nice warm environment

584

00:24:05,740 --> 00:24:02,750

we're also making sure we're doing

585

00:24:09,040 --> 00:24:05,750

frequent you know crew shifts so that we

586

00:24:11,440 --> 00:24:09,050

can keep people cycling in and out of

587

00:24:12,850 --> 00:24:11,450

the cold and staying warm so you know

588

00:24:14,860 --> 00:24:12,860

i'd say it's presented a logistical

589

00:24:17,860 --> 00:24:14,870

challenge but but you know we've been

590

00:24:19,780 --> 00:24:17,870

able to successfully work through it you

591

00:24:22,030 --> 00:24:19,790

know and I've you know personally was

592

00:24:23,980 --> 00:24:22,040

was out there yesterday and you know the

593

00:24:26,350 --> 00:24:23,990

team was in good spirits and I think we

594

00:24:29,350 --> 00:24:26,360

were we were successful in keeping

595

00:24:32,170 --> 00:24:29,360

everybody warm and safe and no frostbite

596

00:24:34,780 --> 00:24:32,180

and you know we we did a team did a

597

00:24:39,010 --> 00:24:34,790

really good job managing that managing

598

00:24:45,460 --> 00:24:39,020

that particular challenge okay let's

599

00:24:49,779 --> 00:24:47,200

first question comes from twitter user

600

00:24:51,370 --> 00:24:49,789

tyler Waldrop how large of a window do

601
00:24:53,200 --> 00:24:51,380
you have before you have to recycle the

602
00:24:56,500 --> 00:24:53,210
payload timewise if you have to cancel

603
00:25:00,100 --> 00:24:56,510
tomorrow if we have to cancel tomorrow

604
00:25:03,250 --> 00:25:00,110
we can probably go two more times with a

605
00:25:05,529 --> 00:25:03,260
good chance of preserving most of the

606
00:25:07,570 --> 00:25:05,539
science if not all of it if we go beyond

607
00:25:10,180 --> 00:25:07,580
that we would have to talk to NASA about

608
00:25:11,649 --> 00:25:10,190
whether it was more critical to roll

609
00:25:13,450 --> 00:25:11,659
back and replace the payloads which

610
00:25:16,500 --> 00:25:13,460
would take a couple of weeks probably or

611
00:25:19,690 --> 00:25:16,510
whether we would just preclude

612
00:25:21,730 --> 00:25:19,700
conducting some of the experiments when

613
00:25:24,850 --> 00:25:21,740

we can we can launch quite a bit later

614

00:25:27,010 --> 00:25:24,860

than this week from an operation

615

00:25:30,399 --> 00:25:27,020

standpoint and the spacecraft can loiter

616

00:25:32,380 --> 00:25:30,409

for a long time before we have to have

617

00:25:34,990 --> 00:25:32,390

to rendezvous with the station but the

618

00:25:39,070 --> 00:25:35,000

science experiments are what are driving

619

00:25:41,529 --> 00:25:39,080

our schedule right now next question

620

00:25:43,779 --> 00:25:41,539

comes from twitter user marsha smith why

621

00:25:45,700 --> 00:25:43,789

do frigid temps require a launch delay

622

00:25:47,549 --> 00:25:45,710

what specifically is affected and what

623

00:25:52,690 --> 00:25:47,559

is the temperature threshold for launch

624

00:25:54,220 --> 00:25:52,700

hi Marcia the temperatures affect a

625

00:25:55,600 --> 00:25:54,230

number of pieces of equipment and I'll

626

00:25:58,779 --> 00:25:55,610

let Mike get a little more specific

627

00:26:00,460 --> 00:25:58,789

about that but we have to pay a lot of

628

00:26:03,549 --> 00:26:00,470

attention to precipitation in

629

00:26:05,409 --> 00:26:03,559

conjunction with the low temperatures if

630

00:26:07,180 --> 00:26:05,419

we have ice form around any of the

631

00:26:10,810 --> 00:26:07,190

structure we have to worry about whether

632

00:26:12,760 --> 00:26:10,820

it's getting into crevices or interfaces

633

00:26:15,970 --> 00:26:12,770

and causing expansion or whether it's

634

00:26:18,100 --> 00:26:15,980

going to cause a debris problem on the

635

00:26:20,110 --> 00:26:18,110

pad when we ignite the rocket or cause

636

00:26:21,850 --> 00:26:20,120

hazardous operations for the people that

637

00:26:23,289 --> 00:26:21,860

are trying to work around the rocket and

638

00:26:25,600 --> 00:26:23,299

Mike I'm sure wants to elaborate on

639

00:26:28,960 --> 00:26:25,610

there why just maybe just a little bit

640

00:26:30,730 --> 00:26:28,970

you know we we have we have design

641

00:26:32,830 --> 00:26:30,740

constraints pretty much for every

642

00:26:33,850 --> 00:26:32,840

component on on the vehicle that you

643

00:26:37,090 --> 00:26:33,860

know based on where it's been designed

644

00:26:38,230 --> 00:26:37,100

analyzed and tested to operate as I

645

00:26:39,820 --> 00:26:38,240

mentioned previously we've got

646

00:26:42,310 --> 00:26:39,830

environmental control systems that

647

00:26:45,220 --> 00:26:42,320

control the temperatures inside the the

648

00:26:47,670 --> 00:26:45,230

critical cavities inside the rocket and

649

00:26:49,620 --> 00:26:47,680

we've got instrumentation all over

650

00:26:51,810 --> 00:26:49,630

that allow us to you know see where

651
00:26:53,520 --> 00:26:51,820
those temperatures are relative to you

652
00:26:56,700 --> 00:26:53,530
know where those launch constraints are

653
00:26:59,280 --> 00:26:56,710
so you know the to the specific question

654
00:27:01,740 --> 00:26:59,290
I think the most critical and we're

655
00:27:03,930 --> 00:27:01,750
monitoring is is a 20 degree ambient

656
00:27:06,300 --> 00:27:03,940
constraint that we've got that's based

657
00:27:08,700 --> 00:27:06,310
on some of our you know fairing

658
00:27:10,050 --> 00:27:08,710
separation components and again it's

659
00:27:12,120 --> 00:27:10,060
based on where those components were

660
00:27:14,400 --> 00:27:12,130
designed and tested there are other

661
00:27:16,230 --> 00:27:14,410
constraints that are you know less about

662
00:27:19,230 --> 00:27:16,240
the ambien environment and more about

663
00:27:21,150 --> 00:27:19,240

how our environmental control systems

664

00:27:23,130 --> 00:27:21,160

are controlling the internal environment

665

00:27:26,300 --> 00:27:23,140

inside the fairing but there's a lot of

666

00:27:29,430 --> 00:27:26,310

them and we're looking at all of them

667

00:27:31,440 --> 00:27:29,440

Robert hi Robert gremlin with

668

00:27:33,660 --> 00:27:31,450

collectspace.com with a question for

669

00:27:36,840 --> 00:27:33,670

Frank I know you've named the spacecraft

670

00:27:39,000 --> 00:27:36,850

for Gordon Fullerton is his family here

671

00:27:42,840 --> 00:27:39,010

for the launch and can you talk a little

672

00:27:45,090 --> 00:27:42,850

bit about why the why honor him in this

673

00:27:47,600 --> 00:27:45,100

way yeah thanks for asking that Robert I

674

00:27:50,220 --> 00:27:47,610

should have mentioned that in my remarks

675

00:27:52,830 --> 00:27:50,230

we did mention earlier press conference

676
00:27:54,900 --> 00:27:52,840
but yes this one in the tradition we

677
00:27:57,960 --> 00:27:54,910
established with the first demo mission

678
00:28:00,090 --> 00:27:57,970
has been named in honor of see Gordon

679
00:28:03,560 --> 00:28:00,100
Fullerton gordo as many of us know him

680
00:28:07,260 --> 00:28:03,570
who passed away within the last year

681
00:28:10,830 --> 00:28:07,270
gordo was a longtime astronaut flew in

682
00:28:13,110 --> 00:28:10,840
space three times and also was a test

683
00:28:15,570 --> 00:28:13,120
pilot at Dryden and one of his tasks

684
00:28:19,200 --> 00:28:15,580
there was to fly the b-52 and dropped a

685
00:28:21,300 --> 00:28:19,210
variety of launch vehicles and and test

686
00:28:24,540 --> 00:28:21,310
vehicles off of the pylon on the bottom

687
00:28:26,730 --> 00:28:24,550
of that the Pegasus rocket was knit was

688
00:28:29,820 --> 00:28:26,740

orbitals first commercial venture into

689

00:28:32,940 --> 00:28:29,830

launching payloads into space and it was

690

00:28:35,820 --> 00:28:32,950

deployed from the b-52 and the and the

691

00:28:39,360 --> 00:28:35,830

pilot for that that mission was Gordo

692

00:28:41,160 --> 00:28:39,370

and so it's and many of our missions and

693

00:28:43,960 --> 00:28:41,170

so we had a long time long-term

694

00:28:45,730 --> 00:28:43,970

relationship with with with Gordon

695

00:28:48,310 --> 00:28:45,740

and he was very important to the company

696

00:28:52,240 --> 00:28:48,320

of many people knew him well so we knew

697

00:28:54,550 --> 00:28:52,250

him and Marie Gordo was actually very

698

00:28:56,800 --> 00:28:54,560

happy when we transitioned from the b-52

699

00:28:58,930 --> 00:28:56,810

to the I-1011 because they didn't have

700

00:29:02,020 --> 00:28:58,940

to fly the heavy he could fly f-18 chase

701

00:29:05,200 --> 00:29:02,030

plane have a lot more fun and he was a

702

00:29:09,610 --> 00:29:05,210

great pilot we had his family visit us

703

00:29:12,460 --> 00:29:09,620

last November and exchanged a number of

704

00:29:14,440 --> 00:29:12,470

items with them and also had gave them a

705

00:29:18,760 --> 00:29:14,450

chance to see what orbital does and why

706

00:29:20,070 --> 00:29:18,770

we were honoring or their Gordo and they

707

00:29:21,790 --> 00:29:20,080

are not able to be here today

708

00:29:24,580 --> 00:29:21,800

unfortunately but I know that they're

709

00:29:26,350 --> 00:29:24,590

watching and I want to send my best

710

00:29:29,590 --> 00:29:26,360

wishes to them and tell them we're going

711

00:29:34,810 --> 00:29:29,600

to take very good care of the SS see

712

00:29:36,970 --> 00:29:34,820

Gordon Fullerton so while we do a quick

713

00:29:42,130 --> 00:29:36,980

check for phone questions do we have

714

00:29:44,710 --> 00:29:42,140

anything else from social media Twitter

715

00:29:46,900 --> 00:29:44,720

user a queue astronomy asks will the

716

00:29:49,690 --> 00:29:46,910

current s1 radiation storm in Flare

717

00:29:54,160 --> 00:29:49,700

activity around sunspot 1944 calls

718

00:29:58,830 --> 00:29:54,170

issues for the launch tomorrow I don't

719

00:30:04,690 --> 00:30:03,160

either we we do monitor that we do

720

00:30:06,610 --> 00:30:04,700

monitor solar weather is one of our

721

00:30:08,590 --> 00:30:06,620

constraints and at this point we're not

722

00:30:11,500 --> 00:30:08,600

seeing anything that's violating our our

723

00:30:13,030 --> 00:30:11,510

launch criteria dr. dan Hartman in

724

00:30:18,360 --> 00:30:13,040

Houston can probably asked answer that

725

00:30:22,450 --> 00:30:18,370

better for us ISS monitors at tight as

726

00:30:25,300 --> 00:30:22,460

yeah we monitor that almost out we get

727

00:30:28,150 --> 00:30:25,310

we get reports in fact it was part of

728

00:30:30,760 --> 00:30:28,160

our go no-go criteria yesterday at our

729

00:30:32,920 --> 00:30:30,770

I'm and T radiation looks good right now

730

00:30:37,210 --> 00:30:32,930

so so far we're not tracking any

731

00:30:39,700 --> 00:30:37,220

problems with that kara was expecting a

732

00:30:42,040 --> 00:30:39,710

polar vortex question again so just

733

00:30:43,290 --> 00:30:42,050

never know is you're going to get any

734

00:30:49,860 --> 00:30:43,300

other questions here in the audience

735

00:30:54,530 --> 00:30:52,320

I just want to follow up on exactly what

736

00:30:57,270 --> 00:30:54,540

the scrub turnaround conditions are

737

00:30:58,890 --> 00:30:57,280

could you launch the next day I think it

738

00:31:01,350 --> 00:30:58,900

depends somewhat on how close you get

739

00:31:05,340 --> 00:31:01,360

down to them yeah countdown I think in

740

00:31:08,370 --> 00:31:05,350

in to keep it simple if we were to scrub

741

00:31:10,500 --> 00:31:08,380

any time before t minus 10 minutes we

742

00:31:13,710 --> 00:31:10,510

should have an ability to turn around in

743

00:31:15,990 --> 00:31:13,720

24 hours inside of ten minutes it can

744

00:31:18,900 --> 00:31:16,000

get dicey depending on how much of

745

00:31:20,940 --> 00:31:18,910

certain commodities we consume but you

746

00:31:23,250 --> 00:31:20,950

know we have tankers on the standby and

747

00:31:25,140 --> 00:31:23,260

there's still opportunity for 24 hour

748

00:31:28,110 --> 00:31:25,150

turnaround it's just you know it becomes

749

00:31:30,240 --> 00:31:28,120

dependent on actual events and what it

750

00:31:32,070 --> 00:31:30,250

takes to D tank and what happens in that

751
00:31:34,230 --> 00:31:32,080
process as to whether we can actually

752
00:31:35,820 --> 00:31:34,240
get there not but before t minus 10

753
00:31:37,020 --> 00:31:35,830
minutes we have every expectation that

754
00:31:44,690 --> 00:31:37,030
we'd be able to turn around the next day

755
00:31:49,610 --> 00:31:47,250
thank you a talk malik again from space

756
00:31:52,200 --> 00:31:49,620
com for I think I'm follow-up for Frank

757
00:31:53,550 --> 00:31:52,210
last month as we were leading up to this

758
00:31:55,620 --> 00:31:53,560
launch I had a chance to speak with

759
00:31:57,660 --> 00:31:55,630
British Tokyo on the space station he

760
00:32:00,150 --> 00:31:57,670
mentioned he was really looking forward

761
00:32:01,650 --> 00:32:00,160
to the arrival of sickness because on

762
00:32:03,180 --> 00:32:01,660
top of all the great science and stuff

763
00:32:04,950 --> 00:32:03,190

it was going to have some clothes and

764

00:32:06,300 --> 00:32:04,960

some goodies and maybe even some

765

00:32:09,960 --> 00:32:06,310

Christmas presents on board I'm

766

00:32:12,170 --> 00:32:09,970

wondering if the orbital crew or you've

767

00:32:14,580 --> 00:32:12,180

had any any instruction from NASA to

768

00:32:17,490 --> 00:32:14,590

refresh those presents of those extra

769

00:32:19,920 --> 00:32:17,500

things new year's stuff on board for

770

00:32:23,540 --> 00:32:19,930

this flight Thanks well we haven't

771

00:32:28,080 --> 00:32:26,430

now there are some some surprises for

772

00:32:29,580 --> 00:32:28,090

the crew on board and we have a few

773

00:32:31,350 --> 00:32:29,590

traditional things and then NASA s

774

00:32:33,390 --> 00:32:31,360

actually had us load some fresh fruit

775

00:32:36,690 --> 00:32:33,400

farm in this last late load which

776
00:32:38,040 --> 00:32:36,700
they'll much appreciate I'm sure but but

777
00:32:40,530 --> 00:32:38,050
we didn't change out too much of the

778
00:32:44,850 --> 00:32:40,540
special things we think they'll enjoy

779
00:32:49,980 --> 00:32:44,860
them anyway hey I just got a tweet this

780
00:32:52,310 --> 00:32:49,990
is from at Elvis in space and he asked

781
00:32:55,200 --> 00:32:52,320
can you tell us a little bit more about

782
00:32:57,800 --> 00:32:55,210
the journey of sickness from the launch

783
00:33:00,180 --> 00:32:57,810
pad to the International Space Station

784
00:33:01,470 --> 00:33:00,190
Elvis is in charge of our operation some

785
00:33:05,890 --> 00:33:01,480
a little bit disturbed that he's asking

786
00:33:12,140 --> 00:33:09,400
but we do have a video that I think will

787
00:33:14,690 --> 00:33:12,150
show a little bit about our trip to

788
00:33:16,460 --> 00:33:14,700

space and if we could roll that if I

789

00:33:21,700 --> 00:33:16,470

didn't catch you too much by surprise I

790

00:33:27,140 --> 00:33:24,289

mark your mouth 5-inch accountant friend

791

00:33:29,930 --> 00:33:27,150

is green factory mba de this is the

792

00:33:32,780 --> 00:33:29,940

video from our demolition go and oreo

793

00:33:35,480 --> 00:33:32,790

sickness it was quite an exciting time

794

00:33:38,510 --> 00:33:35,490

to get this close and see the countdown

795

00:33:41,330 --> 00:33:38,520

go so smoothly the end is ignited he

796

00:33:44,600 --> 00:33:41,340

lifted off the pad majestically at same

797

00:33:46,610 --> 00:33:44,610

time thompson center at the GTA das and

798

00:33:49,520 --> 00:33:46,620

accelerate slowly at first but then

799

00:33:51,799 --> 00:33:49,530

eventually gaining on us to me a great

800

00:33:53,150 --> 00:33:51,809

user in the rocket cam as we depart of

801
00:33:55,430 --> 00:33:53,160
the Eastern Shore of Virginia you can

802
00:33:59,590 --> 00:33:55,440
see Wallops Island beneath us there and

803
00:34:01,820 --> 00:33:59,600
the other lost facilities that are there

804
00:34:04,909 --> 00:34:01,830
it was a very smooth ride for sickness

805
00:34:08,060 --> 00:34:04,919
and went pretty much right on the money

806
00:34:13,070 --> 00:34:08,070
and entire vehicle did exactly what we

807
00:34:15,200 --> 00:34:13,080
expected it to during burns for about

808
00:34:19,159 --> 00:34:15,210
four minutes three on the first day on

809
00:34:21,800 --> 00:34:19,169
the first stage and then during its into

810
00:34:24,139 --> 00:34:21,810
the flight and then another five minutes

811
00:34:27,220 --> 00:34:24,149
I think again about stage two before

812
00:34:29,899 --> 00:34:27,230
they get to pay load delivered launch

813
00:34:33,440 --> 00:34:29,909

and the end once we were in orbit we

814

00:34:35,510 --> 00:34:33,450

went through a number of tell with a few

815

00:34:38,210 --> 00:34:35,520

challenges actually and then had to wait

816

00:34:40,879 --> 00:34:38,220

for the Soyuz to talk before we could

817

00:34:42,200 --> 00:34:40,889

approach but once we did it was a rock

818

00:34:44,629 --> 00:34:42,210

solid

819

00:34:46,730 --> 00:34:44,639

up the arm bar as we approach the

820

00:34:51,500 --> 00:34:46,740

station and the crewmen air-to-ground

821

00:34:53,659 --> 00:34:51,510

was the hour GNC team is Frank tomorrow

822

00:34:58,370 --> 00:34:53,669

in the back guy with his touchdown dance

823

00:35:00,650 --> 00:34:58,380

and the team was very excited to to

824

00:35:04,849 --> 00:35:00,660

seasickness finally grappled and now

825

00:35:07,400 --> 00:35:04,859

it's NASA's problem as somebody said but

826

00:35:08,690 --> 00:35:07,410

NASA the crew did a great job of Luca

827

00:35:12,020 --> 00:35:08,700

and the folks did a great job of

828

00:35:13,339 --> 00:35:12,030

attaching it to the node to they really

829

00:35:15,620 --> 00:35:13,349

wanted to get in that do it the first

830

00:35:17,329 --> 00:35:15,630

day but finally the second day we NASA

831

00:35:19,130 --> 00:35:17,339

let him open the hatch and they were

832

00:35:22,250 --> 00:35:19,140

able to get inside and see the cargo and

833

00:35:23,780 --> 00:35:22,260

the few little gifts that we had and the

834

00:35:26,109 --> 00:35:23,790

chocolate of course which is a big

835

00:35:29,690 --> 00:35:26,119

favorite that we had provided for them

836

00:35:32,740 --> 00:35:29,700

that's a picture of our team that worked

837

00:35:34,579 --> 00:35:32,750

on the sickness the development

838

00:35:37,339 --> 00:35:34,589

integration and test and their

839

00:35:38,599 --> 00:35:37,349

signatures that flew in space and we may

840

00:35:40,460 --> 00:35:38,609

get that back down here on earth someday

841

00:35:44,510 --> 00:35:40,470

and display it in the company we hope it

842

00:35:47,870 --> 00:35:44,520

comes back after 23 days I think it was

843

00:35:50,450 --> 00:35:47,880

on orbit we on we're on birthed and

844

00:35:53,060 --> 00:35:50,460

released from the space station and the

845

00:35:55,339 --> 00:35:53,070

next day re-entered the atmosphere above

846

00:35:57,589 --> 00:35:55,349

the Pacific just north of New Zealand

847

00:36:00,290 --> 00:35:57,599

and burned up on re-entry and disposed

848

00:36:02,900 --> 00:36:00,300

of the cargo as we were supposed to so a

849

00:36:05,660 --> 00:36:02,910

very successful mission and very proud

850

00:36:07,220 --> 00:36:05,670

of what the team has done we expect

851
00:36:09,620 --> 00:36:07,230
something similar this time we could be

852
00:36:11,780 --> 00:36:09,630
on orbit anywhere between 30 and 45 days

853
00:36:14,270 --> 00:36:11,790
this time depending on the schedule but

854
00:36:15,829 --> 00:36:14,280
they know we know that the crew and the

855
00:36:18,020 --> 00:36:15,839
program want to fill it up with as much

856
00:36:18,990 --> 00:36:18,030
disposal cargo as they can so we're

857
00:36:22,770 --> 00:36:19,000
prepared to

858
00:36:26,150 --> 00:36:22,780
do that any other questions I don't mean

859
00:36:28,110 --> 00:36:26,160
to take over your job please please

860
00:36:29,670 --> 00:36:28,120
sounds like that'll do that's a perfect

861
00:36:30,810 --> 00:36:29,680
note to end on a look ahead to so many

862
00:36:32,670 --> 00:36:30,820
things we can expect with launch

863
00:36:35,220 --> 00:36:32,680

tomorrow and the operations that will

864

00:36:36,810 --> 00:36:35,230

take us through a Sunday birthing of the

865

00:36:37,950 --> 00:36:36,820

orbital one mission again you can find

866

00:36:42,990 --> 00:36:37,960

out more information to follow the

867

00:36:44,940 --> 00:36:43,000

mission at wwsd gov / station please

868

00:36:53,180 --> 00:36:44,950

help me thank our panelists for their