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MEMORANDUM FOR: Dr. Neil Jacobs
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and Prediction, performing the duties of Under Secretary of
Commerce for Oceans and Atmosphere
National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

FROM: 
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SUBJECT: Audit of GOES-R Program in Achieving Launch Readiness for the
GOES-T Mission (#2020-368)

We are initiating an audit of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration's (NOAA's) Geostationary Operational Environmental Satellite-R Series (GOES-R) program. Our objective is to assess the program's progress in achieving launch readiness for the GOES-T mission.

We plan to begin our work immediately. We are working with your office to schedule an entrance conference, at which time we can discuss our audit objective and scope in further detail. If you have any questions regarding this audit, please contact me at (202) 482-1931 or Kevin Ryan, Director for Audit and Evaluation, at (202) 698-0791.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

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