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Washington, DC 20515

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Honorable John D. Rockefeller IV
Chairman
Committee on Commerce,
Science, and Transportation
United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Mr. Chairman:

The Congressional Budget Office has reviewed the National Aeronautics and Space Administration Authorization Act of 2010, as ordered reported by the Senate Committee on Commerce, Science and Transportation on July 21, 2010. Enacting the bill would have no significant impact on direct spending or revenues over the 2010-2020 period. The bill would authorize the appropriation of more than \$58 billion for the operations of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration over the 2011-2013 period; however, CBO has not yet completed an estimate of all of the legislation's costs that would be subject to appropriation.

The bill contains no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act and would impose no costs on state, local, or tribal governments.

If you wish further details on this estimate, we will be pleased to provide them. The CBO staff contact is Martin von Gnechten.

Sincerely,

for 

Douglas W. Elmendorf

Enclosure

cc: Honorable Kay Bailey Hutchison
Ranking Member