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Subject: Reply to letter dated 18 March 2021

The SARSAT Program is guided by Cospas-Sarsat Data Distribution Plan A.001 when distributing a distress alert. Should the SARSAT system detect a valid distress signal from the Crew 2 mission beacon, that alert will automatically be distributed to the appropriate search and rescue authorities. The SARSAT Program confirms that the additional data distribution as specified in the SARSAT System Use Agreement with SpaceX.

I would also remind you of my letter dated 23 July 2020 as those suggestions are still relevant regarding FCC and NTIA coordination.

The SARSAT Program wishes you and your team a successful launch and mission.

Please direct any further questions or concerns to our POC for this matter, Mr. Allan Knox, Program and Policy Analyst, allan.knox@noaa.gov.

