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Dr. Glaze,

On behalf of the review panel, I am pleased to present you with the report of the Independent Review of the NASA IRTF facility. The panel met in person February 1 and 2 after individually reviewing the documentation provided by IRTF and NASA for the review. This report is a consensus document, and is endorsed by the full panel.

The panel thanks NASA for the opportunity to serve in this fashion along with the IRTF team for providing a well-crafted and presented set of materials. We also thank the NASA and NRESS facilitation for the meeting, which allowed us to focus directly on the task at hand.

In addition to this document, the panel Co-Chairs will brief NASA leadership on March 23 in a presentation. Please do not hesitate to reach out to the Co-Chairs with any questions you might have.

Sincerely,

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