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Dear Mr. Davis,

I am very much pleased to hear the delightful news on the successful launch of POES (NOAA-19) on 6 February 2009. On behalf of the Japan Meteorological Agency (JMA), I would like to congratulate you on this memorable event. JMA looks forward to utilizing the data of this satellite once it becomes operational.

Taking this opportunity, I wish to express my sincere appreciation to NOAA for its valuable contribution to the international meteorological community through the dissemination of satellite imagery and products. I also would like to assure you of our continued cooperation with your service.

Yours sincerely,

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