Planetary Science Division
FY12 Budget Submit Talking Points
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- The President's FY12 Budget is considered "notional" from FY13-16, why?
    - We have no FY11 budget yet enacted
    - Pending the results from the Decadal (planned release March 7, 2011)
- At this point in time, all options for Planetary's future must be preserved (stay the course-don't overreact)
- The FY12 budget in FY12 is the highest budget Planetary has ever had

- FY12 Budget and run-out supports:
    - Launch of Juno, Grail, and MSL (and landing in FY 12)
    - Development of LADEE launch in 2013 & MAVEN launch in 2013
    - NASA-ESA partnership and the Mars 2016 TGO launch
    - New Frontiers-3 selection FY 2011 (LRD ~2016)
    - Discovery-12 selection FY 2011 (LRD ~2015)
    - Specific technology programs to support expected future missions (ie: ASRG)
    - 50% of Pu-238 production restart budget ($10M PSD + $10M DOE)

- Program going forward:
    - The Decadal Survey Report in March '11 will provide future priorities
    - JEO, Mars 2018 and MSR are on hold pending the Decadal Survey results
    - Followed by Planetary Division rebalancing of entire Planetary budget to
    - accommodate the Decadal to be approved by OMB/OSTP

- NASA is still under a continuing resolution (constrained to using FY10 levels for FY11) until March 4, 2011