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During the period of the grant, annual status reports have been submitted detailing the scientific achievements and current objectives of each report period. These will not be repeated here. Among the highlights of the program are four successful rocket launches including participation in the campaign to study comet Hale-Bopp in April 1997. We have continued our emphasis on long-slit spectroscopy of extended sources in the shorter wavelength far-ultraviolet, necessitating the development of evacuated telescope/spectrograph payloads. Finally, we also note the use of our ultraviolet calibration facilities in support of other sounding rocket investigators and for other space missions such as the Far Ultraviolet Spectroscopic Explorer. We include a list of the sounding rocket launches performed under NASA sponsorship during this period (Appendix A), a list of Ph.D. degrees awarded to students who worked in this program (Appendix B), and a summary bibliography of publications between 1997 and 2001 (Appendix C)
### Appendix A

#### SUMMARY OF SOUNDING ROCKET LAUNCHES 1997-2001

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<th>LAUNCH #</th>
<th>DAY</th>
<th>MONTH</th>
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<td>April</td>
<td>1997</td>
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Appendix B

STUDENTS TRAINED IN GRADUATE SPACE SCIENCE PROGRAMS
1997 - 2001

ERIC B. BURGH
Ph.D. 2001
Dissertation: Far-ultraviolet Studies of Dust Extinction and Scattering
Present Address: University of Wisconsin – Madison, WI 53706

JASON B. McPHATE
Ph.D. 1998
Dissertation: Carbon Monoxide in Comets
Present Address: UC Berkeley, Berkeley, CA 94720
Appendix C

PUBLICATIONS 1997-2001

This list contains papers of research done entirely or partially under NASA grant NAG 5-5122.


PAPERS PRESENTED

P. D. Feldman, Recent Observations of Comets from Space, Colloquium, Johns Hopkins University Applied Physics Laboratory, Laurel, Maryland, April 18, 1997.


