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Mr. Elsner is currently assigned to the Office of the Center Director and serves as manager of the JSC Recovery Act Project. He is responsible for overseeing activities managed by organizations at JSC that received ~\$280M in funding from the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA). NASA received \$1B in ARRA funding to be used for its missions in Exploration, Science, Aeronautics and for institutional investments. Institutional and programmatic organizations at JSC are responsible for managing ARRA-funded projects involving repairs to buildings and other infrastructure, the Orion human spaceflight project, commercial capability to fly humans in space, a common docking system for the International Space Station (ISS), and refurbishment of ailerons on the WB-57 high altitude aircraft. His duties include direct responsibility for managing a \$50M institutional investment program. This involves executing eleven projects affecting more than three dozen buildings. The purpose of these projects is to repair extensive damage caused by Hurricane Ike that stormed over JSC in September 2008.

Mr. Elsner began his career at JSC as an aerospace engineer serving as a guidance and control systems flight controller. He worked on console in the Mission Control Center for dozens of space shuttle flights. He later managed various flight control systems organizations. For five years he led a team of mission integration and schedule management experts supporting the ISS Program through the early years of its assembly and initial operations. Prior to his current assignment, Mr. Elsner served as the deputy manager of the ISS Program Planning and Control Office. This organization is responsible for the financial, procurement, configuration management, schedules, cost estimating, assessment, and information technology for the ~\$2B/year ISS Program.