

To: Chief Engineers and Headend Technicians

RE: Galaxy 15 'Fly By' of Galaxy 23

As you may be aware, Galaxy 15 continues to drift eastward with its payload still operational. It is soon expected to approach Galaxy 23 (G23), potentially causing interference with the transmission of Sportsman Channel and other G23 networks. The most critical period will be when the satellite separation is less than 0.3 degrees, **August, 24-28 2010**. Intelsat continues to perform ranging maneuvers on a routine basis to insure that G15 is stable and traveling a predictable path and will be using procedures similar to those successfully utilized in the prior G15 fly bys of other satellites (AMC11, G13, G14, and G18).

Sportsman Channel is working with Intelsat to further mitigate the risk of any interference from Galaxy 15 as it passes in close proximity to Galaxy 23. We have arranged with Intelsat to uplink our signal with a larger dish during the most critical times. We will switch to the larger dish around 2AM EDT on August 25 and switch back around 2AM EDT on August 27th. Please note that you will not have to do anything with your receiver. The parameters will not change, only the site that uplinks the signal. The polarity, satellite, frequency, and settings will remain the same. A small blip might be perceptible at the switch times – that is all.

What can the headend due to minimize risk?

Ensure your receive antenna is properly peaked at the center-of-box of the satellite from which you are receiving signals. Intelsat's interference elimination strategy is based on all receive antennas being peaked at the center-of-box at all times during the fly by.

Center of box data is available at:

<http://www.intelsat.com/resources/satellitedata/ephemeris.asp>

Please contact Encompass Digital Media (formerly Crawford) 24/7 at 678-421-6604 if you have any questions or experience interference.

Also, feel free to call or email me directly using the contact info below.

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