

## **Press release**

## SES-6 SATELLITE NOW FULLY OPERATIONAL

Luxembourg – July 29, 2013 – SES S.A. (NYSE Euronext Paris and Luxembourg Stock Exchange: SESG) announced today that the SES-6 satellite has successfully completed its extensive in-orbit testing and is now fully operational and in commercial service at the orbital position of 40.5 degrees West. The 53<sup>rd</sup> SES satellite was successfully launched on board an ILS Proton booster from Baikonur, Kazakhstan, on June 4, 2013.

SES-6 was built by EADS Astrium in Toulouse, France, based on the highly reliable Eurostar E3000 platform. The satellite is equipped with 43 C-band and 48 Ku-band transponders. SES-6 had a launch mass of 6,100 kg, features a wingspan of 40m with its solar arrays deployed in orbit, and is designed for 13 kW of spacecraft power at the end of its 15-year design lifetime. The satellite has comprehensive coverage of North America, Latin America, Europe and the Atlantic Ocean.

SES-6 replaces SES' NSS-806 satellite at the prime orbital position of 40.5 degrees West, providing continuity of service and expansion capacity in the C-band for video neighbourhoods in Latin America and the Caribbean.

The largest Ku-band customer on SES-6 is Brazilian telecommunication group Oi. As a new anchor customer, Oi signed a significant long-term capacity agreement to provide Direct-to-Home (DTH) services in Brazil.

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