

## **EUTELSAT 115 West B goes live**

## Eutelsat Americas achieves full continental footprint with coverage from Alaska to Patagonia

Paris, 15 October 2015 – EUTELSAT 115 West B, the first all-electric satellite of the Eutelsat Communications (NYSE Euronext Paris: ETL) fleet has been fully powered up and is now providing services to customers across the Americas. The satellite has extended Eutelsat's coverage of the Americas to Alaska and Canada in the North, Easter Island in the West and to Patagonia in the South, creating a truly Pan-American footprint.

A number of customers have already selected the new satellite as their platform for growth. Hunter Communications Canada, a global satellite solutions provider, has leased capacity that will be used for airborne services, connectivity for the energy industry as well as maritime use for commercial and military applications. Axesat, one of the leading enterprise connectivity providers in Latin America, will leverage the new satellite's South American footprint, which spans from Colombia to Chile, to enable customers in the energy, agriculture, finance, education and government sectors to remain connected, even in the most remote locations. Elara Comunicaciones, a leading provider of telecommunications and technology services in Mexico, will use EUTELSAT 115 West B to provide a broad range of data services for high-performance applications such as corporate networks, government initiatives, broadband connectivity, cellular backhaul, oil & gas and mobility services.

With its exceptional elevation angles and coverage performances throughout the region, EUTELSAT 115 West B allows Eutelsat to offer cost-effective solutions for clients providing services that include broadband access, cellular backhaul, VSAT solutions and social connectivity.

Patricio Northland, CEO Eutelsat Americas, said: "We are delighted to see EUTELSAT 115 West B West B fully fired up and ready to pursue the expansion of services we provide clients across the Americas. Both new and longstanding customers will benefit from this satellite's exceptional performance for a broad range of services, and I am convinced that our commitment to innovation will continue to pay off in the Americas and beyond."

EUTELSAT 115 West B will be followed into orbit in early 2016 by the all-electric EUTELSAT 117 West B satellite that will be located at 117° West to boost capacity for Latin America broadcast

markets. EUTELSAT 65 West A, the third satellite in the expansion roadmap of Eutelsat Americas, is scheduled for launch in 2016 and will feature high-power coverage of Brazil and Latin America in C, Ku and Ka-bands.

EUTELSAT 115 West A will be redeployed in the upcoming weeks.

## **About Eutelsat Communications**

Established in 1977, Eutelsat Communications (Euronext Paris: ETL, ISIN code: FR0010221234) is one of the world's leading and most experienced operators of communications satellites. The company provides capacity on 39 satellites to clients that include broadcasters and broadcasting associations, pay-TV operators, video, data and Internet service providers, enterprises and government agencies. Eutelsat's satellites provide ubiquitous coverage of Europe, the Middle East, Africa, Asia-Pacific and the Americas, enabling video, data, broadband and government communications to be established irrespective of a user's location. Headquartered in Paris, with offices and teleports around the globe, Eutelsat represents a workforce of 1,000 men and women from 37 countries who are experts in their fields and work with clients to deliver the highest quality of service.

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