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# Tachyon Selects Eutelsat SESAT 2 Satellite to Expand Service Offering in Southwest Asia Region

An Additional 54MHz of Capacity Available for Fixed, Portable, COTM and Airborne Networking Applications

March 15, 2011 Paris - San Diego, CA, Tachyon Networks, developer of the aXiom Series of end-to-end remote networking solutions for fixed, portable and comms-on-the-move (COTM) applications and Eutelsat America Corp., the American subsidiary of Eutelsat Communications (Euronext Paris: ETL), one of the world's leading satellite operators, today announced that Tachyon is expanding its broadband capacity over Southwest Asia with a capacity lease on Eutelsat's SESAT 2 satellite. The 54MHz of Ku-band capacity has been deployed to meet high demand for satellite services in the Afghanistan-Pakistan region. Additionally, Tachyon's global network enables reachback from Southwest Asia to the United States and locations worldwide, and is especially tailored to airborne and mobile COTM applications.

"We are pleased to be able to offer our customers this additional 54MHz of high-performance satellite capacity as a part of our global satellite broadband coverage", stated Dan Negroni, VP of Sales and Marketing for Tachyon Networks. "Demand for aXiom 7000 Series end-to-end solutions for air, land and sea has continued to grow, and this partnership with Eutelsat America allows us to better serve our military and enterprise customers for Managed Solutions or other capacity needs in Southwest Asia."

Demand for satellite broadband communication services in Southwest Asia, especially for Comms-on-the-Move (COTM) applications, has grown significantly in recent years. However, lack of supply of satellite broadband capacity with sufficient power has thwarted market growth. Located at 53° East, SESAT 2 provides high-power Ku-band coverage in Southwest Asia for telecommunications and broadband services and is also ideally suited for Airborne COTM networking.

Ron Samuel, Chief Executive Officer of Eutelsat America Corp., responded, "We are delighted that the bandwidth, reach and quality of our satellite solutions meet the exacting

requirements of Tachyon, a leading provider of end-to-end Airborne COTM solutions for Southwest Asia, and extremely successful for over a decade in delivering unique and mission critical Managed Solutions on a worldwide basis."

In addition to satellite capacity, Tachyon's aXiom 7000 Series solutions include all hardware, application integration, engineering services, as well as active network management and monitoring for both secure and non-secure, public and private satellite networks. Tachyon's 24/7 Network Operations Center (NOC) manages and monitors a wide range of network activity, settings and conditions and provides an integrated set of tools for airborne networking. Tachyon provides customers with a high level of visibility into their network including real time and historical network health and monitoring statistics as well as traffic usage data.

## **Availability**

Capacity is available today to customers as a stand-alone service or as a part of Tachyon's aXiom 7000 Series end-to-end network solutions. aXiom solutions will be on display at Satellite 2011 March 15 through 17 at the Walter E. Washington Convention Center in Washington D.C. booth 280.

### **About Tachyon Networks**

Tachyon Networks, developer of aXiom end-to-end satellite solutions for fixed, portable and COTM applications, delivers the highest quality managed network services for data, voice and video. Tachyon serves government agencies and enterprises that require secure, mission-critical communications over air, land and sea. Enabled by the software-based aXiom Services Platform (ASP), Tachyon's technology-agnostic solutions include management and operation of space segment capacity and teleport facilities, VSAT equipment and antennas and managed network services. Tachyon's financially backed industry-leading service-level agreement (SLA) guarantees a superior quality of service (QoS). For additional information, please visit <a href="https://www.tachyon.com">www.tachyon.com</a>.

#### **About Eutelsat America Corp**

Eutelsat America Corp. is a wholly owned subsidiary of Eutelsat Communications providing satellite communications services to clients in North America and also specialising in Government services.

#### **About Eutelsat Communications**

Eutelsat Communications (Euronext Paris: ETL, ISIN code: FR0010221234) is the holding company of Eutelsat S.A.. With capacity commercialised on 27 satellites that provide coverage over the entire European continent, as well as the Middle East, Africa, India and significant parts of Asia and the Americas, Eutelsat is one of the world's three leading satellite operators in terms of revenues. At 31 December 2010, Eutelsat's satellites were broadcasting more than 3,700 television channels to over 200 million cable and satellite homes in Europe, the Middle East and Africa. The Group's satellites also serve a wide range of fixed and mobile telecommunications services, TV contribution markets, corporate networks, and broadband markets for Internet Service Providers and for transport, maritime and in-flight markets. Eutelsat's broadband subsidiary, Skylogic, markets and operates access to high speed Internet services through teleports in France and Italy that serve enterprises, local communities, government agencies and aid organisations in Europe, Africa, Asia and the Americas. Headquartered in Paris, Eutelsat and its subsidiaries employ 683 commercial, technical and operational employees from 28 countries.

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