

# Making Global Air Traffic Surveillance a Reality!

Space-based ADS-B data distribution through REDDIG  
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# Space-based ADS-B System Overview

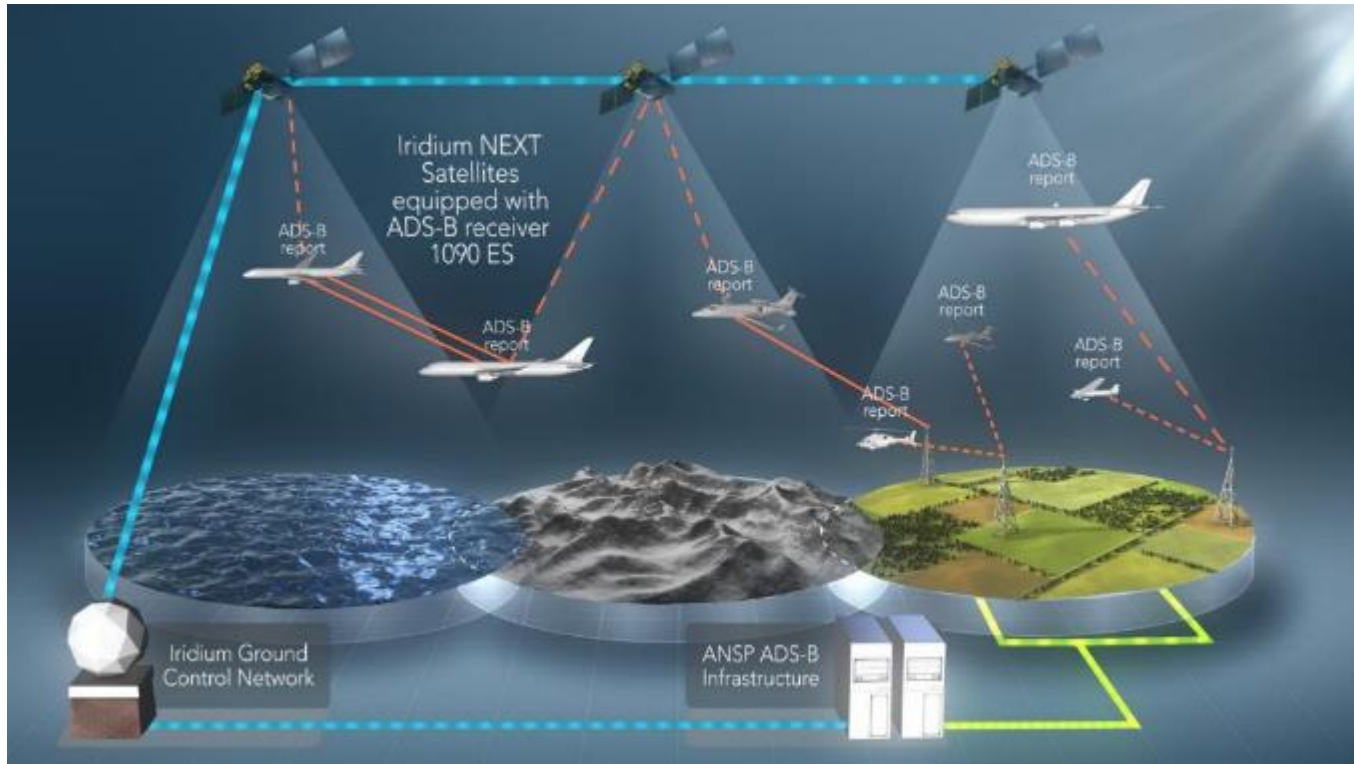


# Investors, Customers and Innovators:

*A company created by ANSPs for ANSPs and Airlines*

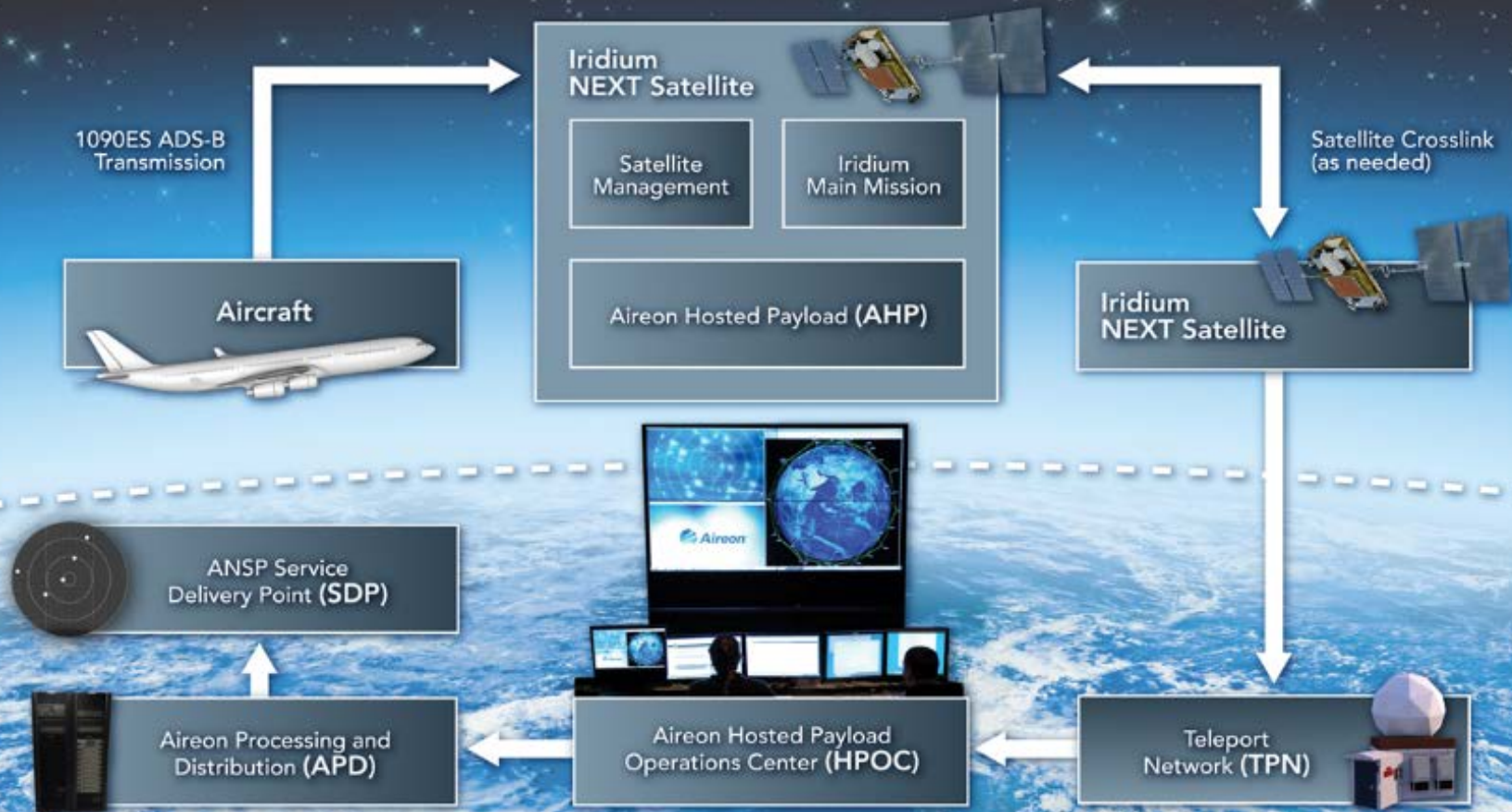


# Space-based ADS-B Concept



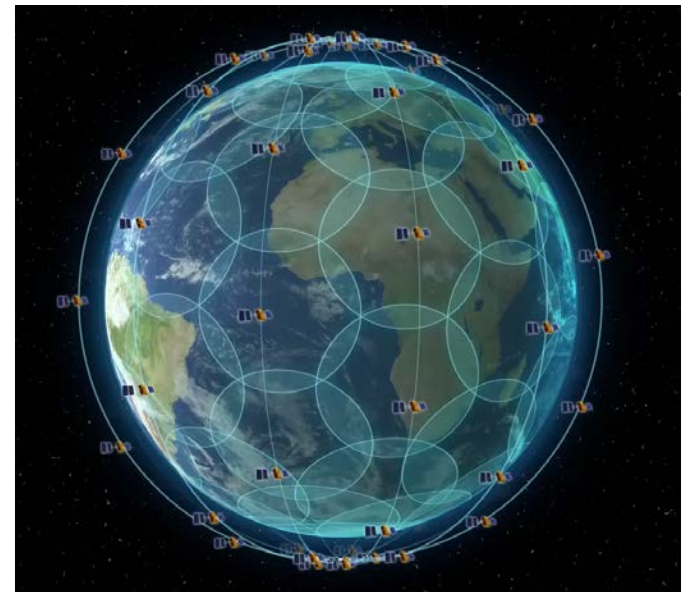
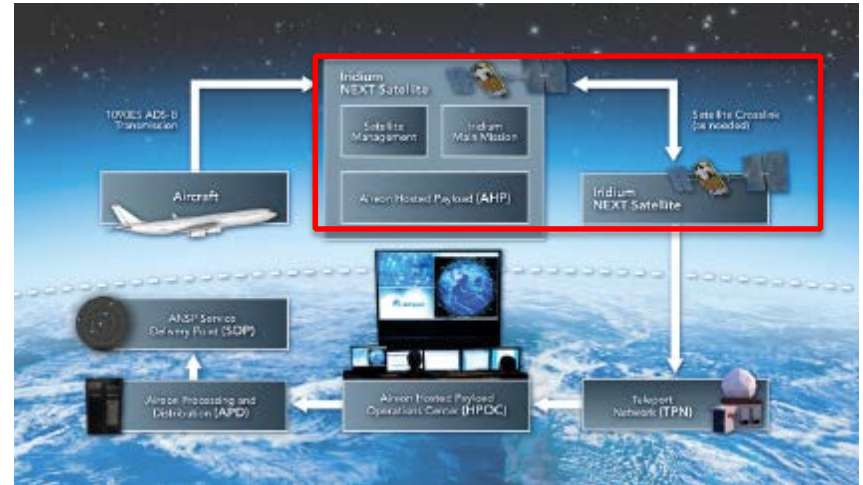
- Augments current radar systems with oceanic and remote air space coverage
- Delivers true pole-to-pole global coverage, with near real-time delivery of “ADS-B Out” data to Air Navigation Service Providers (ANSPs)
  - No additional aircraft equipage by using 1090 MHz ES
  - Adheres to all current and future ADS-B standards

# The Aireon System



# Iridium NEXT Constellation

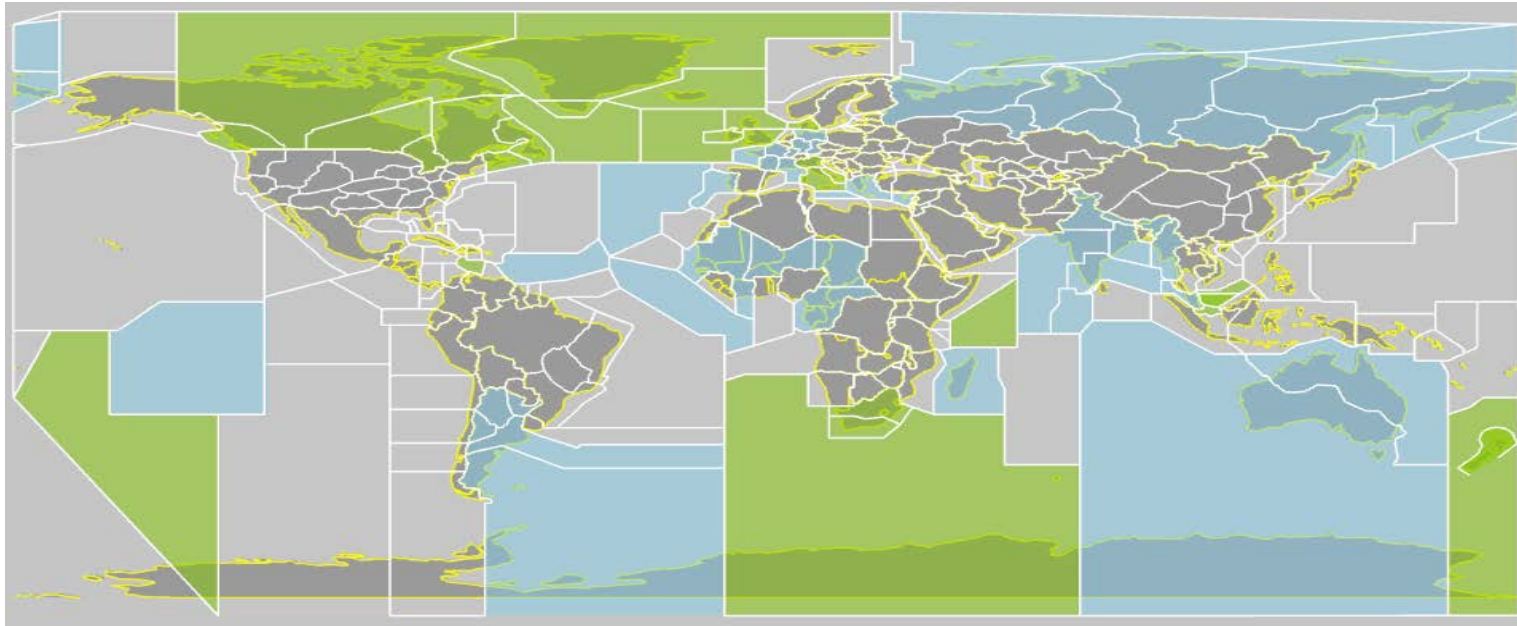
- Satellites in orbit: 66
  - 11 satellites per plane
  - Plus 6 in-orbit spare satellites
  - 9 ground spare satellites
- Orbital Planes: 6
- Operational altitude: approximately 485 miles (780 km)
- Availability:  $\geq 0.999$
- Latency:  $\leq 2s$
- Update Interval:  $\leq 8s$
- En-route Services
- Typical Lifecycle: 14 years



# Iridium NEXT Satellite



# Global ANSP Customers Supporting Rollout



Data Services Agreement	Service Delivery Point Complete or Nearing Completion
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• NAV CANADA</li> <li>• NATS (United Kingdom)</li> <li>• Enav (Italy)</li> <li>• IAA (Ireland)</li> <li>• Naviair (Denmark)</li> <li>• DC-ANSP (Curacao)</li> <li>• Air Traffic Navigational Services Co. Ltd (South Africa)</li> <li>• CAAS (Singapore)</li> <li>• SCAA (Seychelles)</li> <li>• ISAVIA (Iceland)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• NAV CANADA</li> <li>• NATS (United Kingdom)</li> <li>• Enav (Italy)</li> <li>• IAA (Ireland)</li> <li>• Naviair (Denmark)</li> <li>• Air Traffic Navigational Services Co. Ltd (South Africa)</li> <li>• Thales</li> </ul>

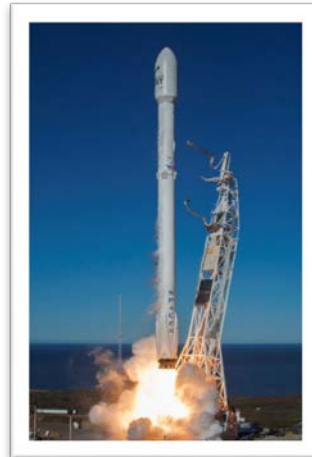
# Aireon System Status

March 2017



# Launch Status

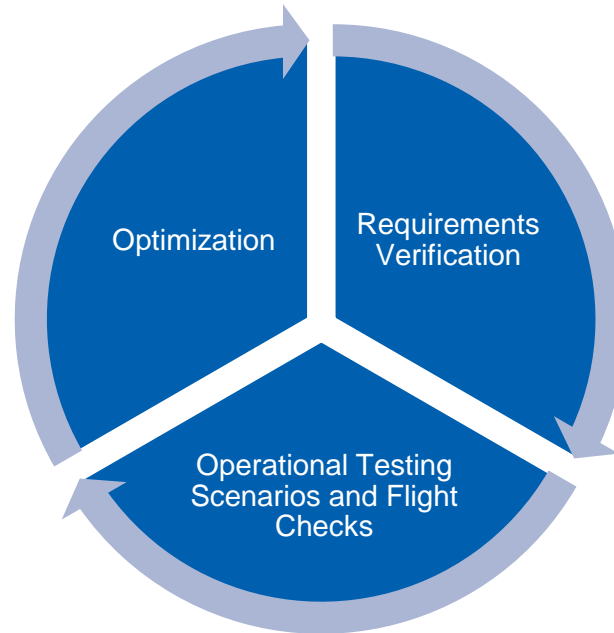
- First Launch: January 14, 2017
- Second Launch: June 2017
- Service Operational: 2018



*Photos: SpaceX*

# On Orbit Test Campaign

- Detailed antenna pattern measurement with ground transmitters
- Time Stamp Accuracy
- Bandwidth Characterization



- Commanding:
  - Test target message rate
  - Antenna schedule dwell
  - Payload Redundancy
- Status:
  - ADS-B target processing
  - Payload Redundancy

- Low-power target performance
- Track Aircraft in high-FRUIT regions
- TPM Collection (Update Interval and Latency)

# Flight Test Aircraft and Tools



**NAV CANADA**



**Iqaluit GBRT**

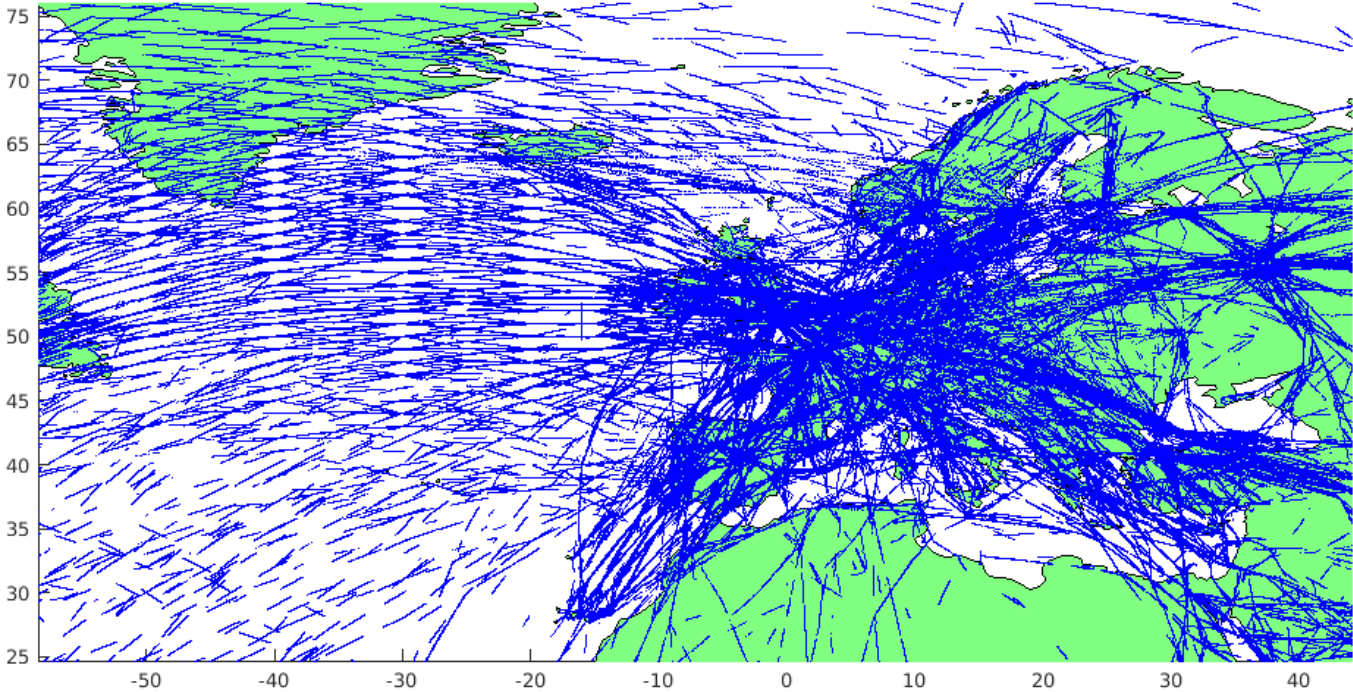


**Polaris**



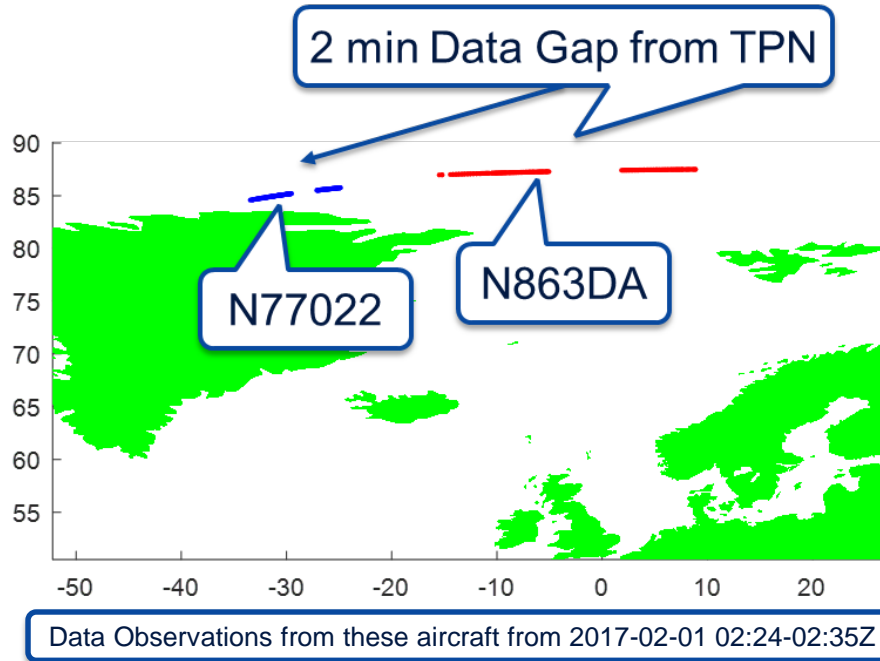
**FAA**

# Preliminary Data



Date / Duration	2017-02-25 to 2017-02-27 / 62 Hours
Unique Aircraft	17,229
Data Points	4,825,579 (256MB of CPR decoded mission data)
Max Slant Range	3,500 km
Types of Aircraft	Commercial Jets, Business Jets, General Aviation, Helicopters
Airspace Domains	Polar, Oceanic, En Route, Terminal, and Surface

# Preliminary Data: Polar Traveling Aircraft



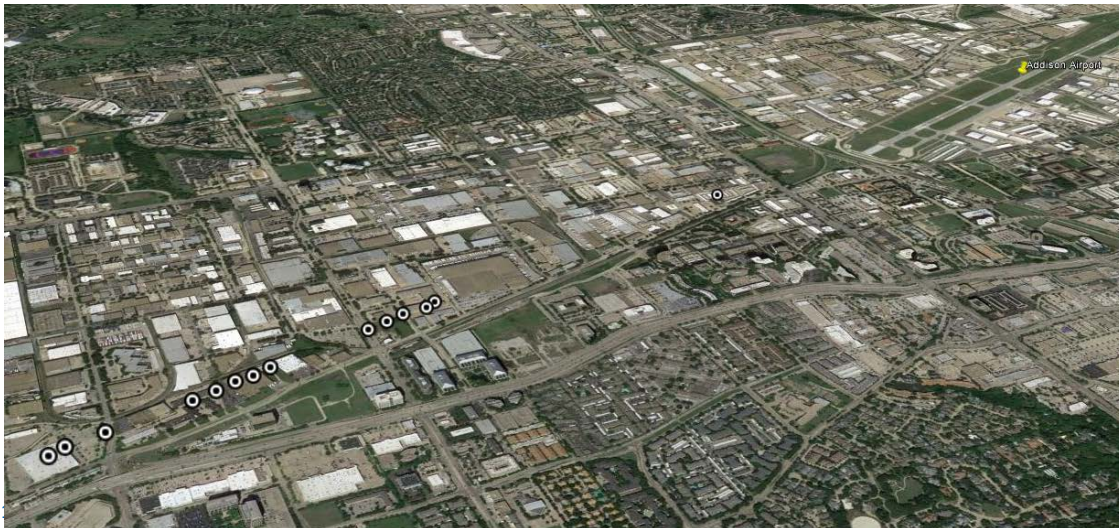
These two aircraft are travelling Eastbound together at about 490 knots at the same altitude (35,000') with a separation distance of  
~155 NM

# Preliminary Data: Surface

*Commercial Aircraft Landing in the Azores*



*Commercial Aircraft landing in Addison, Texas*



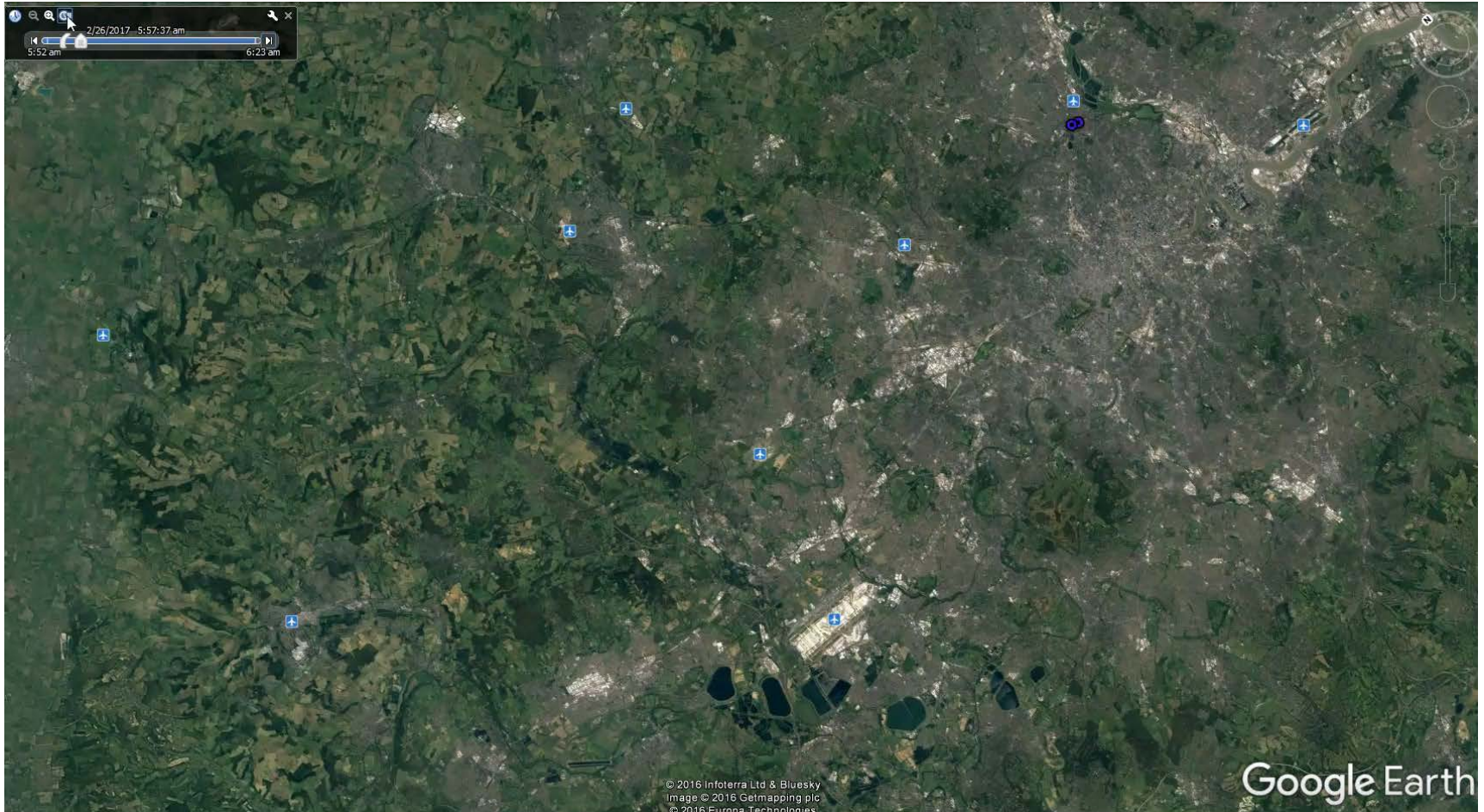
# Caribbean



# South America



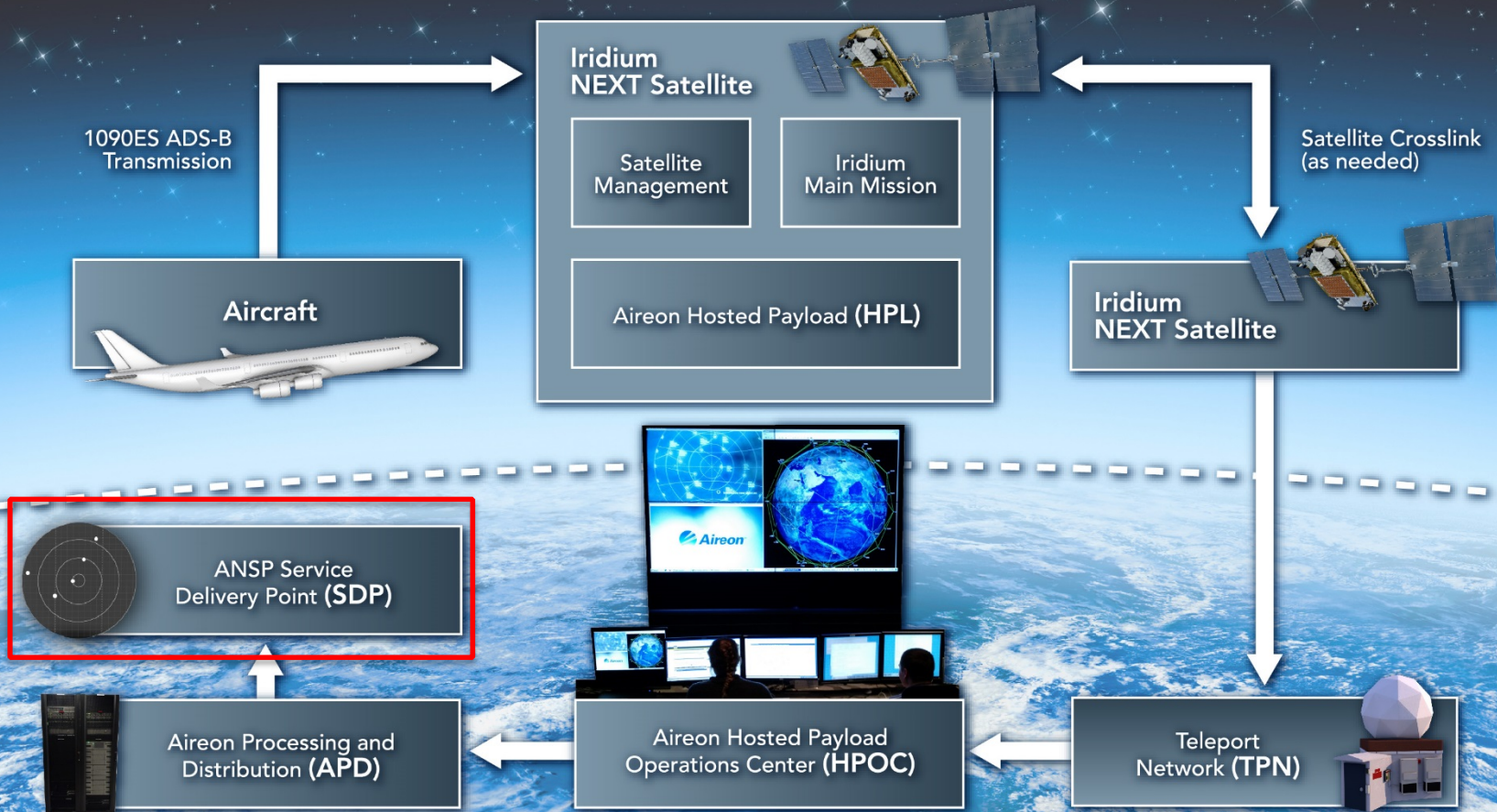
# Landings at Heathrow, UK



# Service Delivery Point (SDP) and Space-based ADS-B data distribution

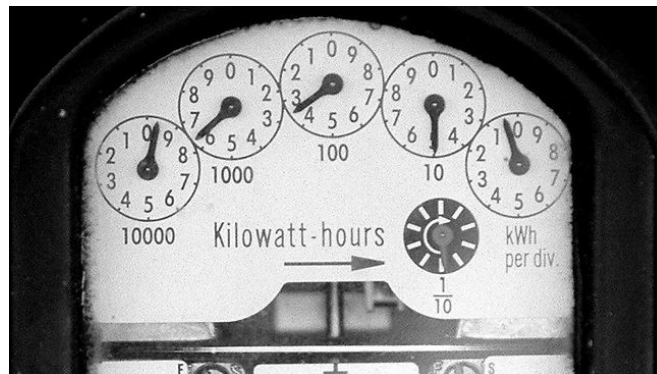


# Service Delivery Point (SDP)



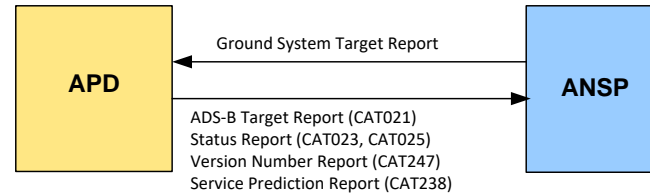
# Service Delivery Point (SDP)

- The SDP is the demarcation point for Aireon ADS-B Data
- The SDP consists of a router and monitoring server – both have redundant backups.
- The monitoring server is the TPMM, or Technical Performance Measure Monitor.
  - Determines Update Interval for each target.
  - Determines Latency for each target.
  - Monitors availability.
- The TPMM is like a power meter, but for ADS-B data



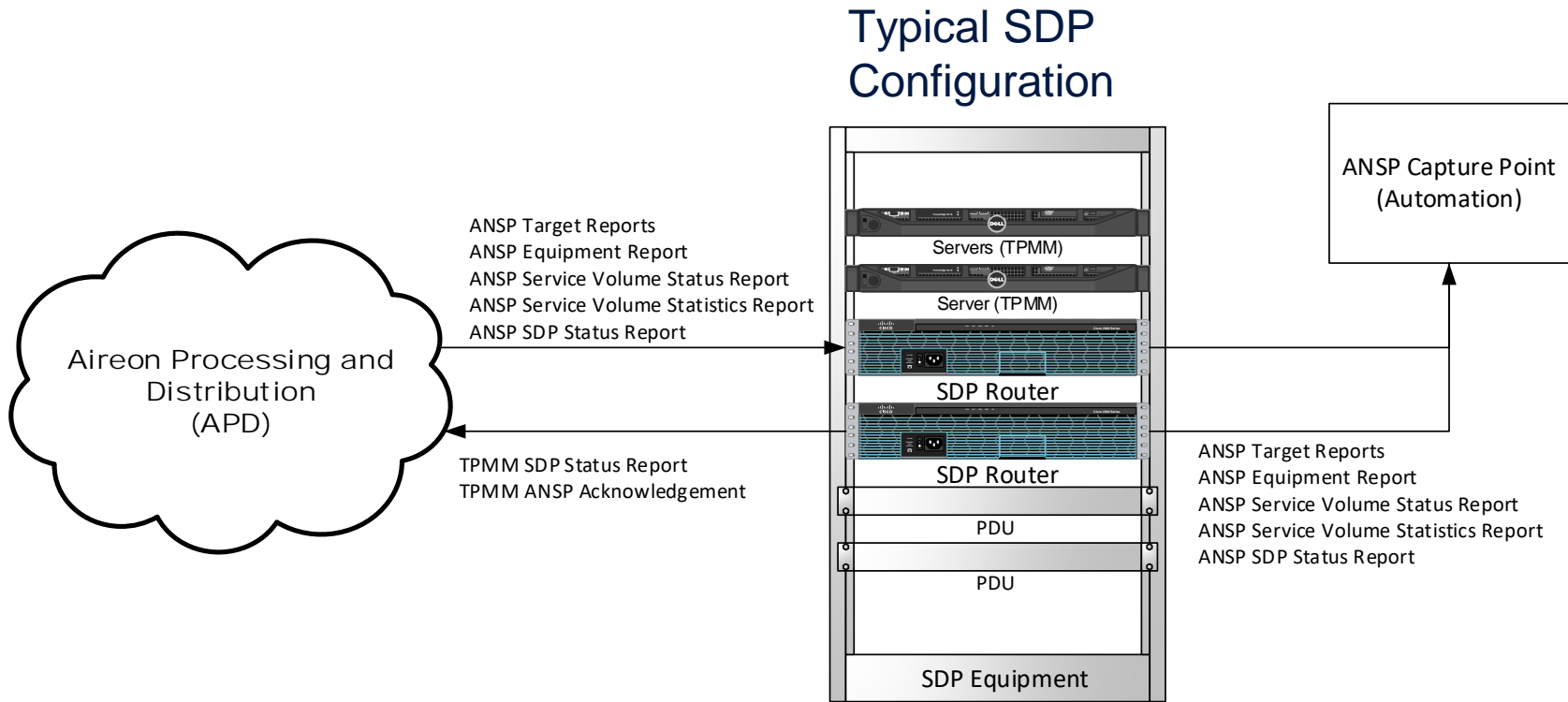
# ASTERIX Overview

- Examples of common categories:



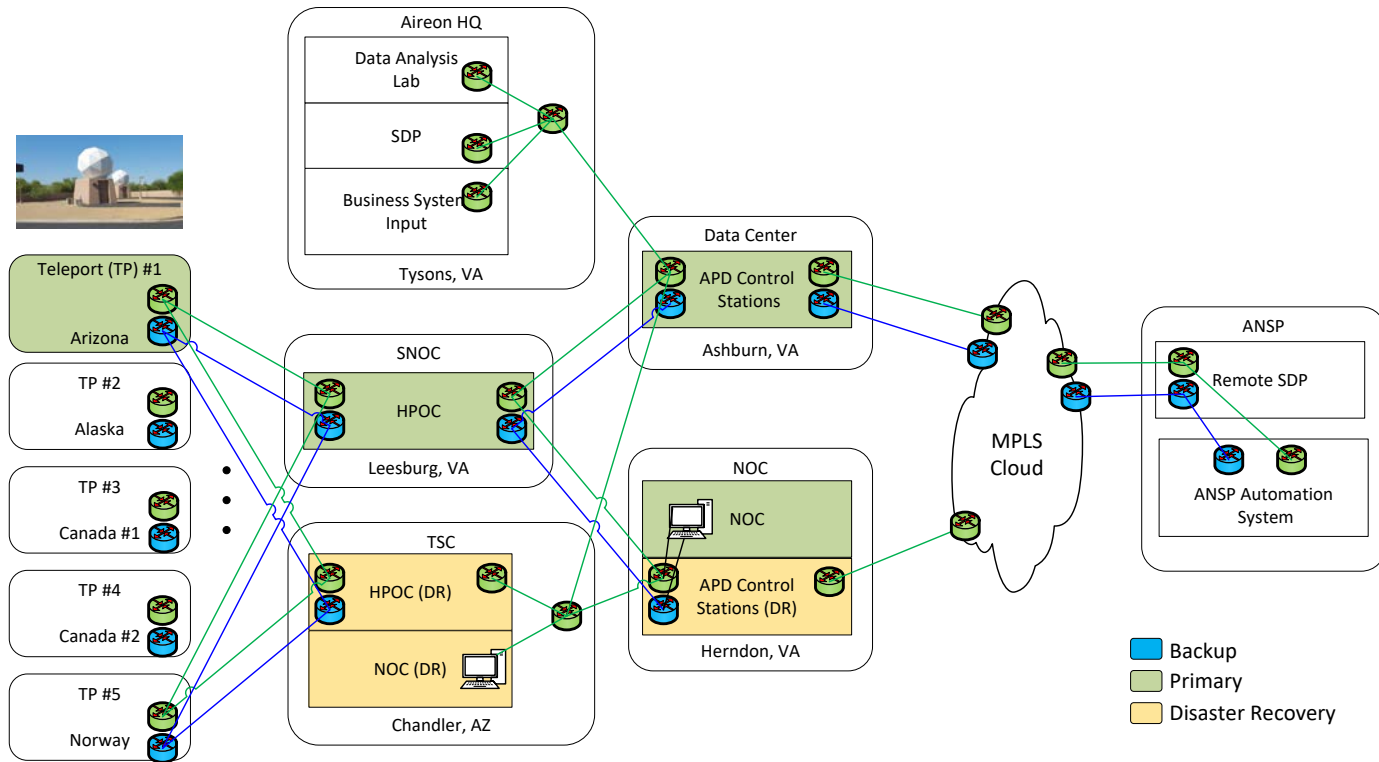
Category	ASTERIX Message
CAT021	ADS-B position and velocity reports
CAT023	Ground station (equipment) status
CAT025	Surveillance system status reports (In progress, new for ED-129B)
CAT247	Version number exchange
CAT238	Service Prediction reports
CAT253	Two-Line Element (TLE) report

# Typical SDP Architecture (Single Node)



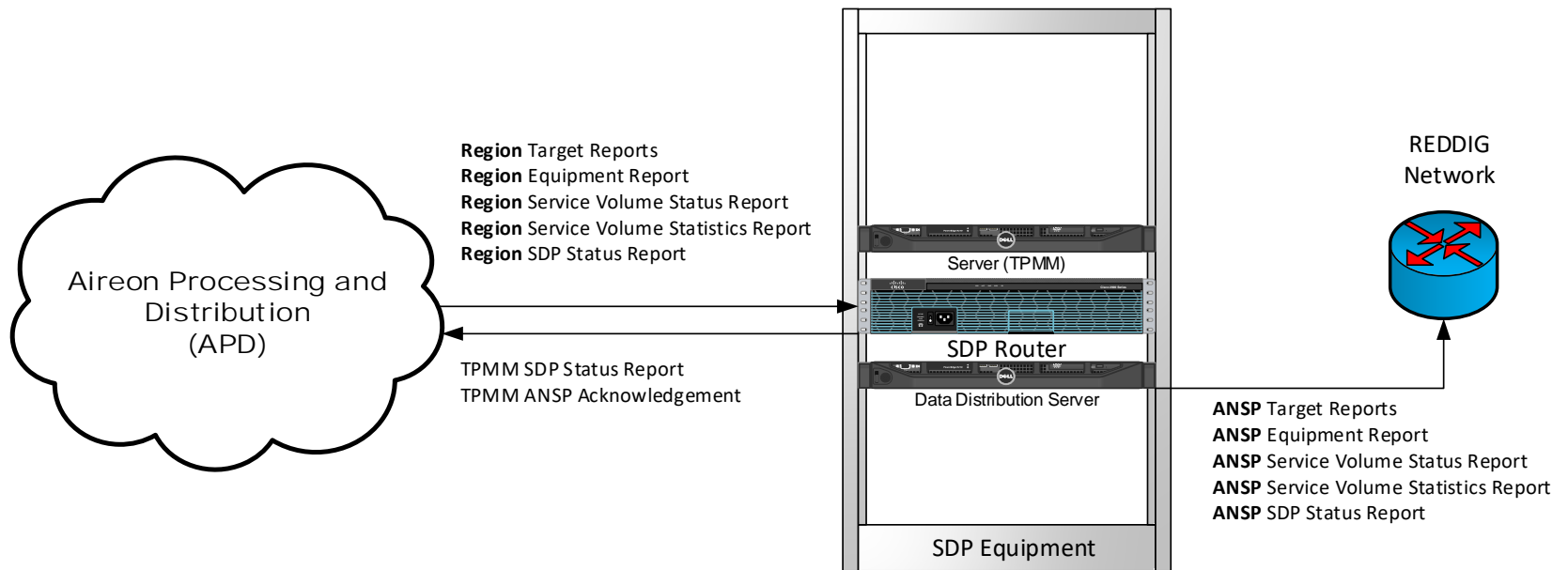
# Typical SDP Network Diagram

## Aireon Global Surveillance Network Overview



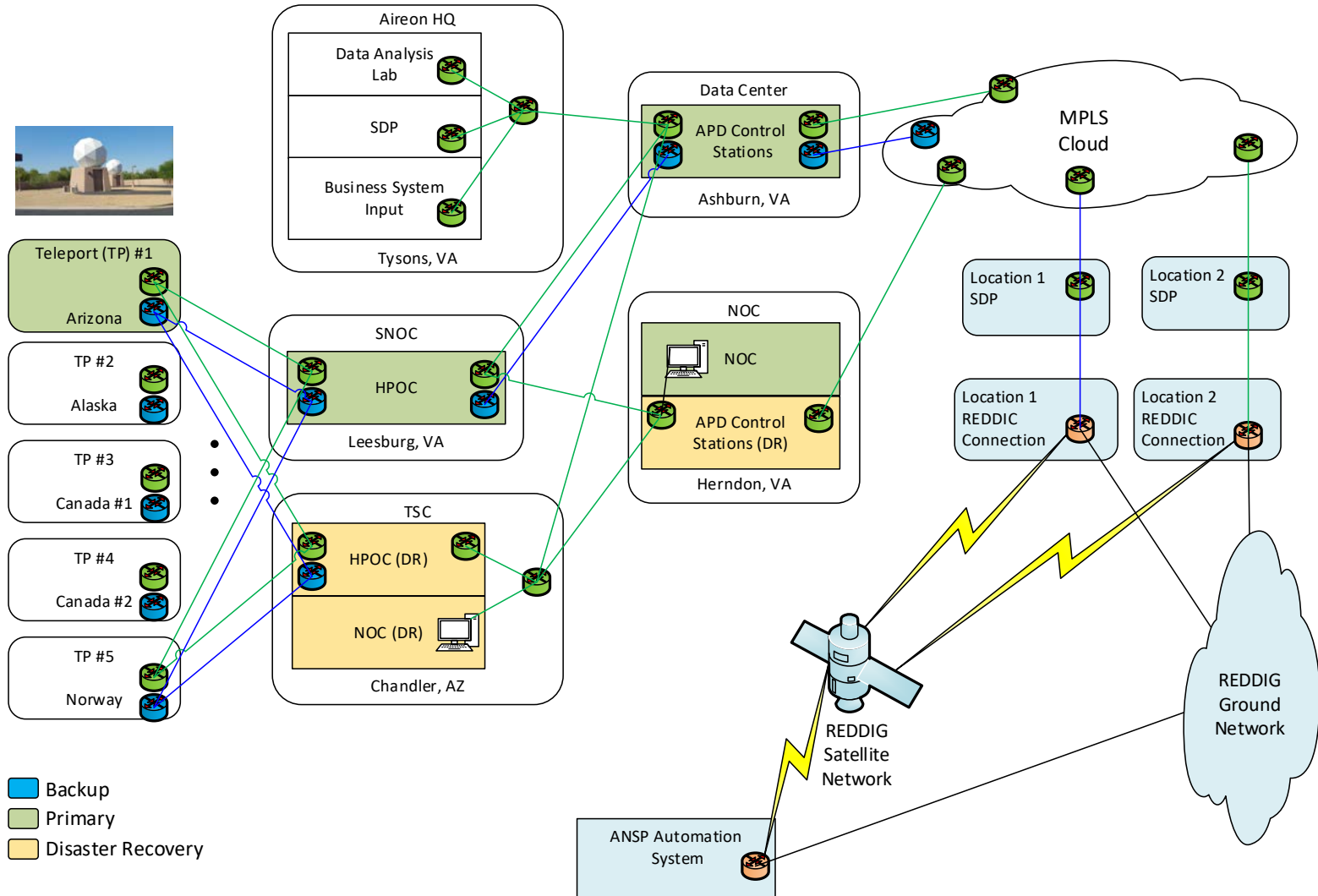
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# REDDIG SDP Architecture (Dual Nodes)



# REDDIG SDP Network Diagram

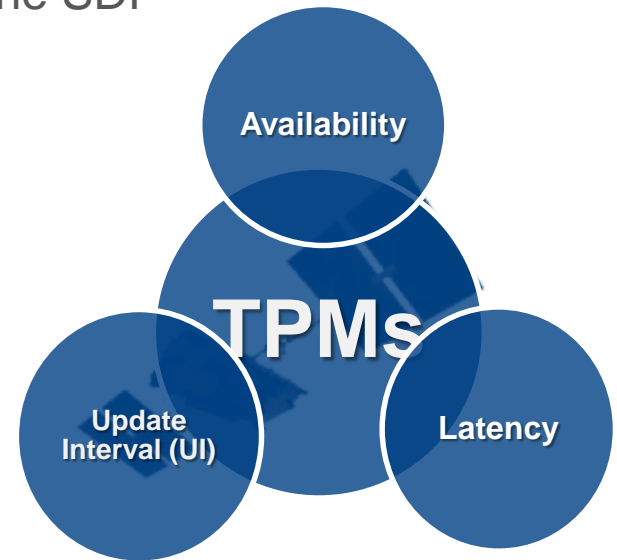
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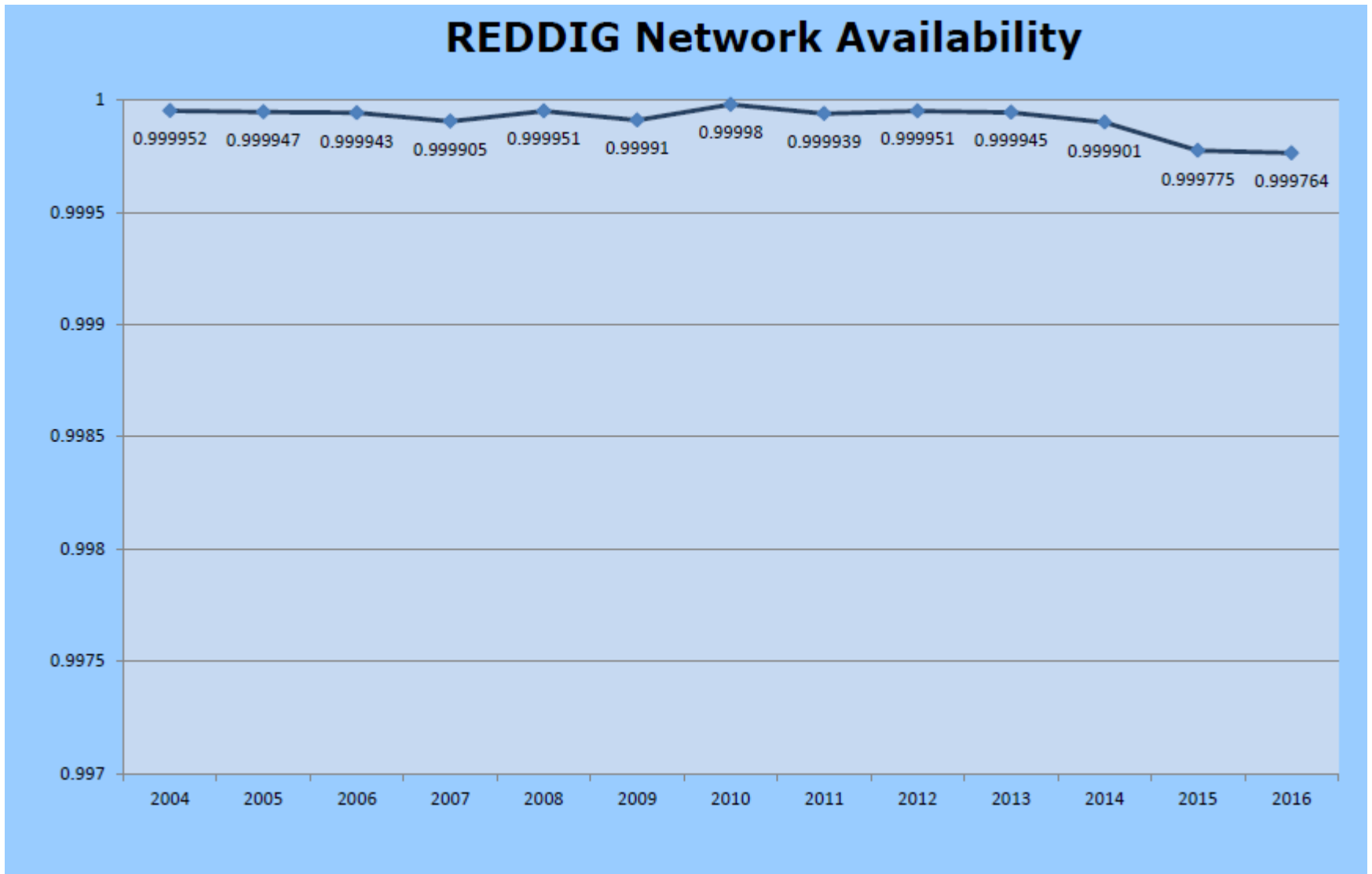
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# Things to Note about using the REDDIG Network

- TMPs are measured at the SDP
  - Availability - 0.999
  - Update Interval – 8s,  $\geq 96\%$
  - Latency -  $\leq 2s$ 
    - ◆ Availability and Latency will be affected by the REDDIG network and is not included
- Data billing is calculated on what is delivered to the SDP
- Aireon will maintain configuration of all system components up to the SDP
- Aireon will maintain security up to the SDP
- We need to rely on REDDIG's system to deliver data to ANSPs across SAM region

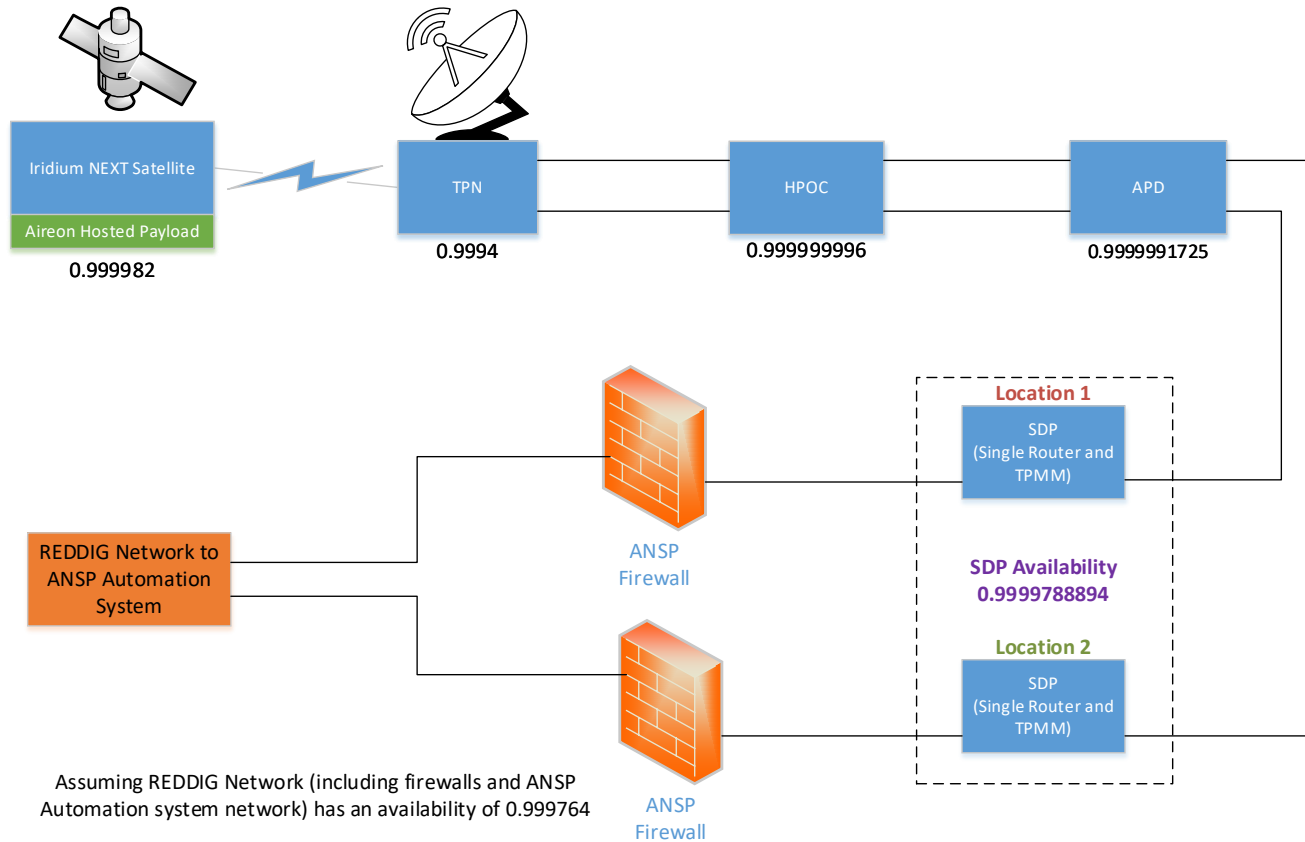


# REDDIG AVAILABILITY



# Calculated Availability System using REDDIG Network

Availability using two single string SDPs that feed a single Automations Systems



**System Availability is 0.99912**

# REDDIG Network Requirement

- System Availability > 0.999
- Accepts Multicast Data
- Delivery to Automation system in low latency
- Surveillance data segregation for each of the connected ANSP
- Bandwidth:
  - Argentina: estimated traffic for all FIRs 170,000 flight hours/year -> 170MB/year
  - Bolivia: estimated traffic 79,530 flight hours/year -> 80MB/year
  - Brazil: estimated traffic for all FIRs 1,600,000 flight hours/year -> 1600MB/year
  - Chile: estimated traffic for all FIRs 100,000 flight hours/year -> 100MB/year
  - Colombia: estimated traffic for all FIRs 374,000 flight hours/year -> 374MB/year
  - Ecuador: estimated traffic for all FIRs 78,000 flight hours/year -> 78MB/year
  - Guyana: estimated traffic 10,000 flight hours/year -> 10MB/year
  - Paraguay: estimated traffic 14,000 flight hours/year -> 14MB/year
  - Peru: estimated traffic for all FIRs 248,000 flight hours/year -> 248MB/year
  - Suriname: estimated traffic 7,000 flight hours/year -> 7MB/year
  - Uruguay: estimated traffic for all FIRs 36,000 flight hours/year -> 36MB/year
  - Venezuela: estimated traffic for all FIRs 160,000 flight hours/year -> 160MB/year

# Conclusions

- Initial assessment shows it is feasible to distribute space-based ADS-B air traffic surveillance data, through REDDIG
  - Reduction in SDP and Telco costs for ANSPs
- Aireon would guarantee availability to the SDP and REDDIG system guarantees availability to ANSPs sites
- Suggested Action:
  - Develop detailed architecture for distribution of Space-based ADS-B surveillance data through REDDIG
  - Test and validate through implementation of a Service Delivery Point (SDP) in one or two nodes in the SAM region:
    - ◆ Connect interested States to Aireon's Processing and Distribution Center data through the REDDIG network to test their own airspace data
    - ◆ Perform an evaluation of ADS-B surveillance data distribution through the network

Thank you

Questions?

