

# Making Global Air Traffic Surveillance a Reality!

Space-based ADS-B data distribution through MEVA III  
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# Space-based ADS-B System Overview and Implementation Status

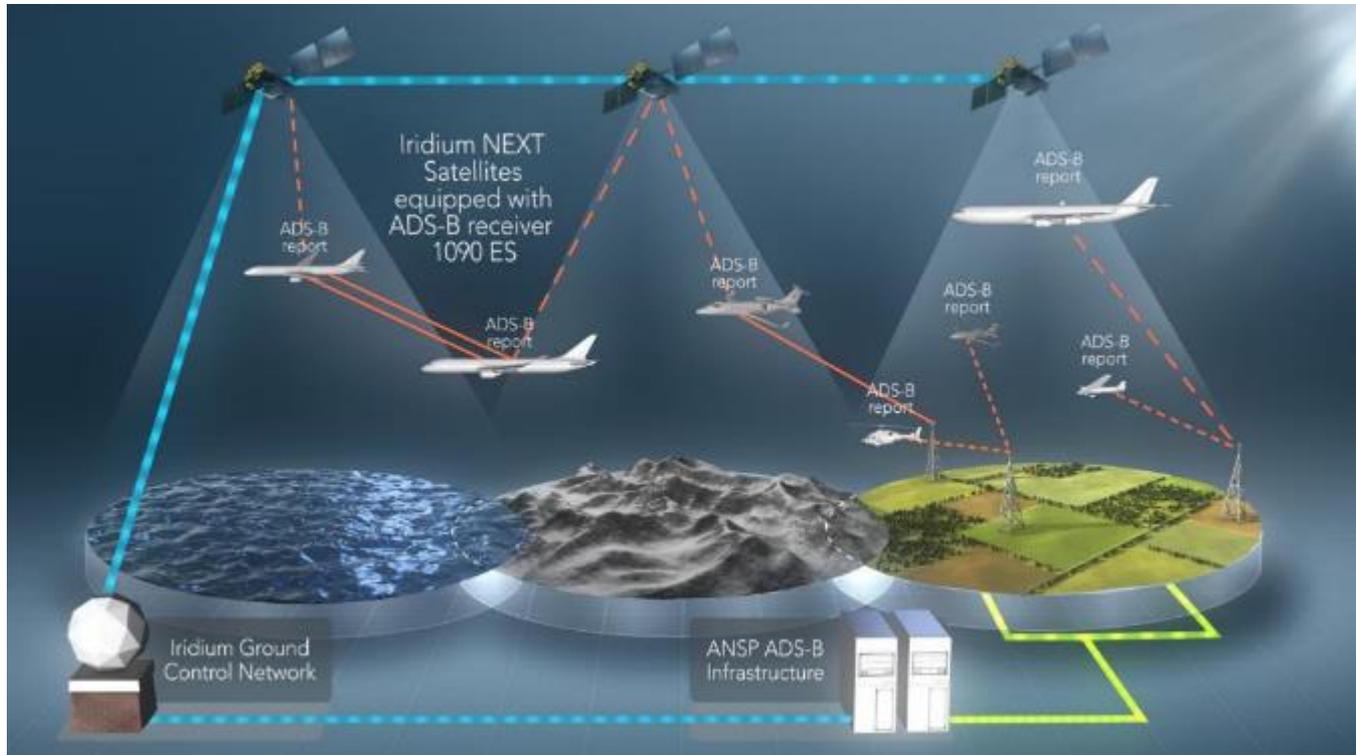


# Investors, Customers and Innovators:

*A company created by ANSPs for ANSPs and Airlines*

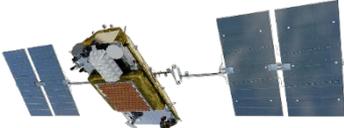


# Space-based ADS-B Concept



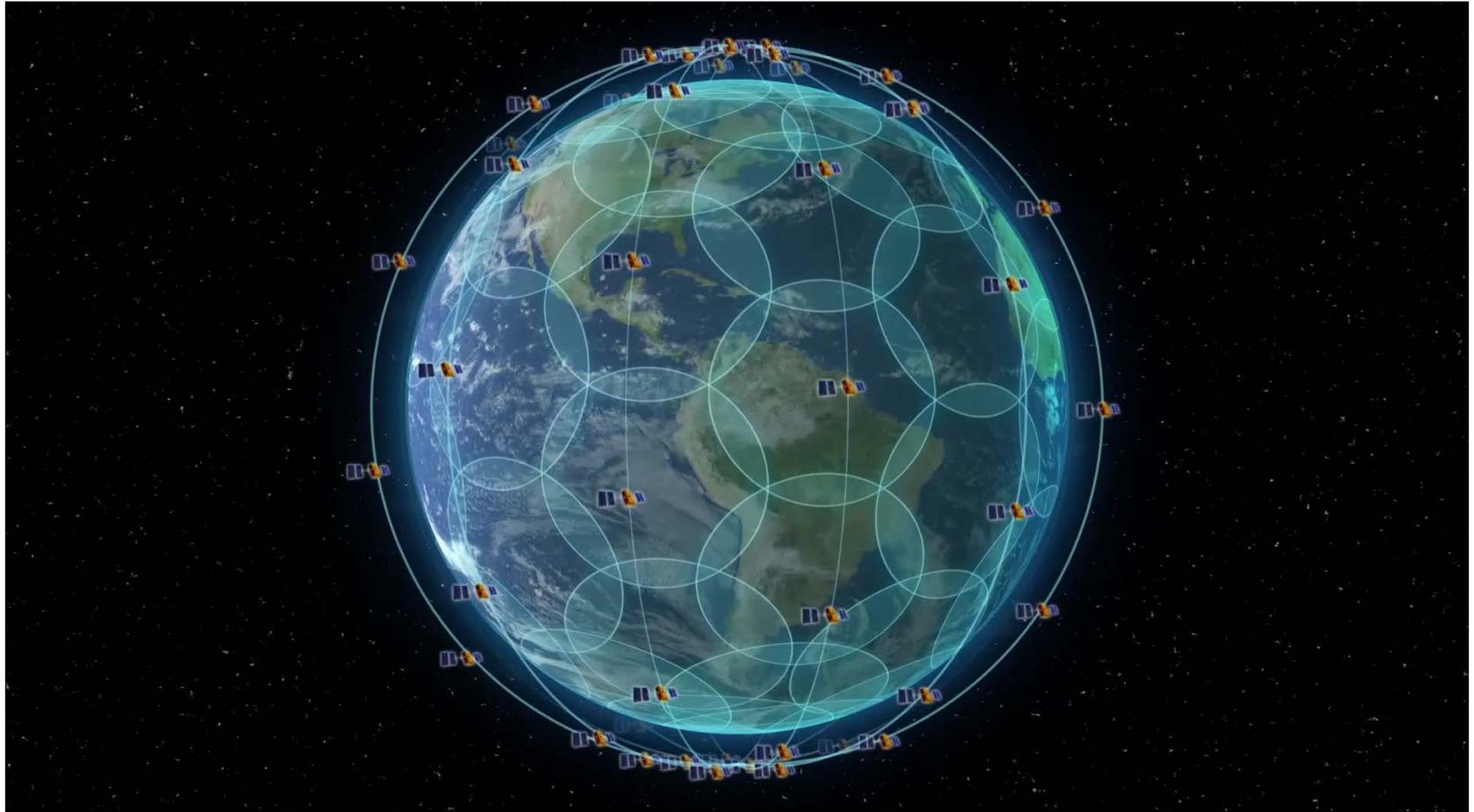
- Augments current radar systems with oceanic and remote air space coverage
- Delivers true pole-to-pole global coverage, with near real-time delivery of “ADS-B Out” data to Air Navigation Service Providers (ANSPs)
  - No additional aircraft equipage by using 1090 MHz ES
  - Adheres to all current and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

# In 2018...100% Global Air Traffic Surveillance

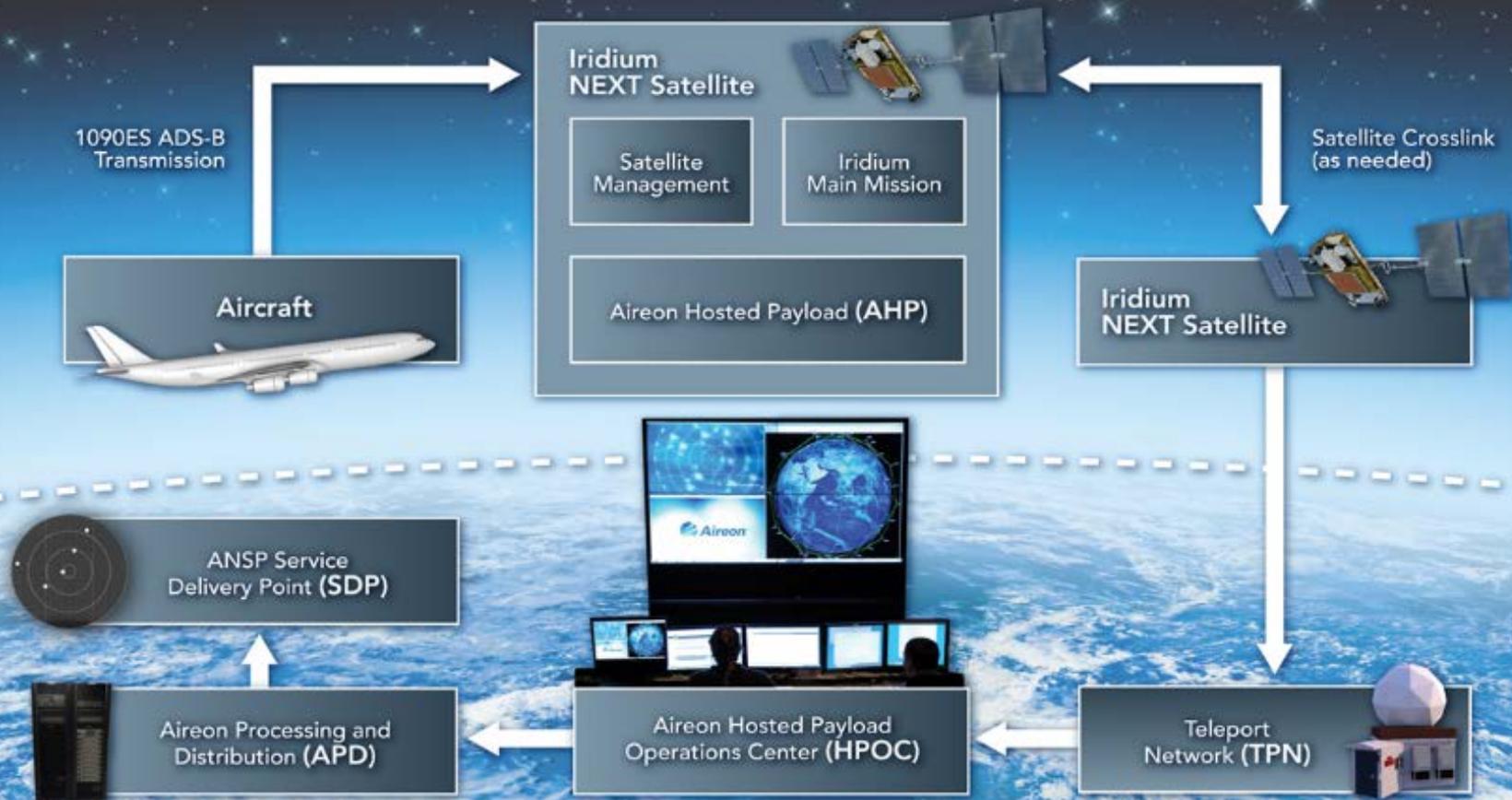


**AIREON**  
**GLOBAL**  
**COVERAGE**

# Iridium NEXT Constellation



# The Aireon System

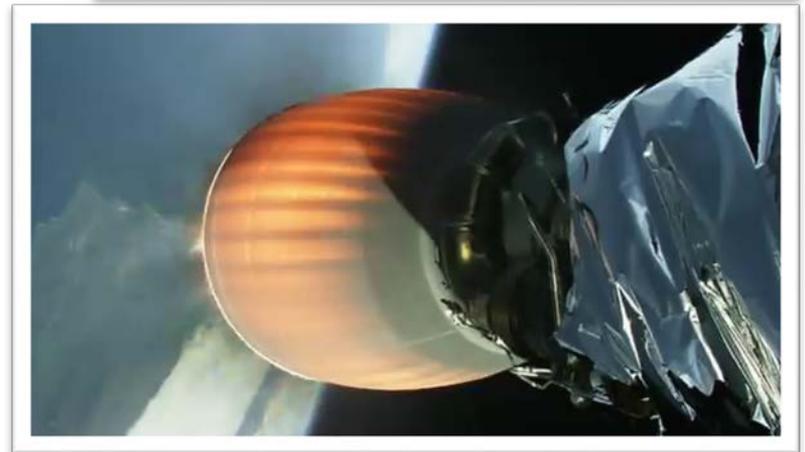


**Our launch customer for the LATAM/CAR region is DC-ANSP**



# Launch Status

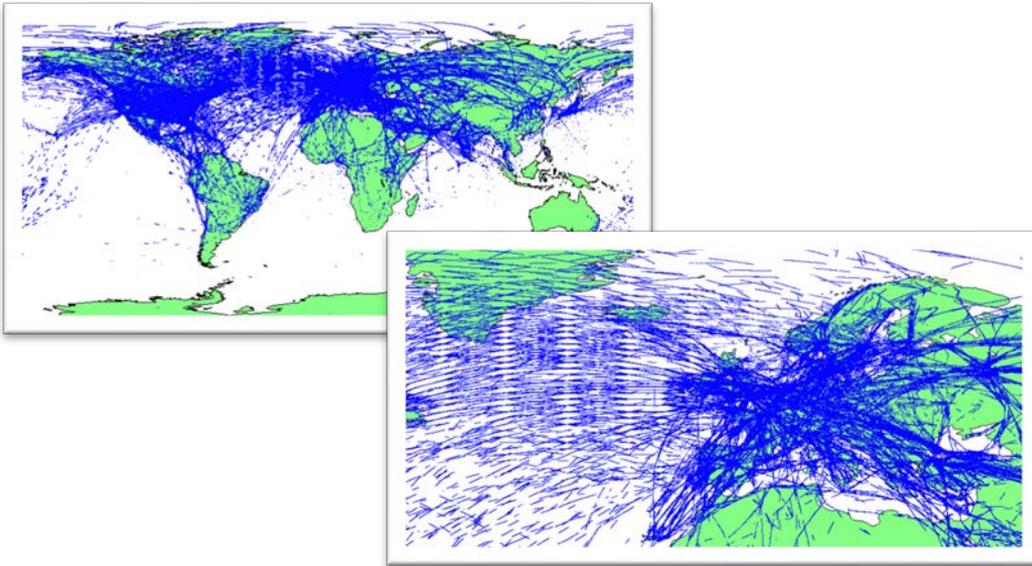
- First Launch: January 14, 2017
- Second Launch: June 2017
- Service Operational: 2018



*Photos: SpaceX*

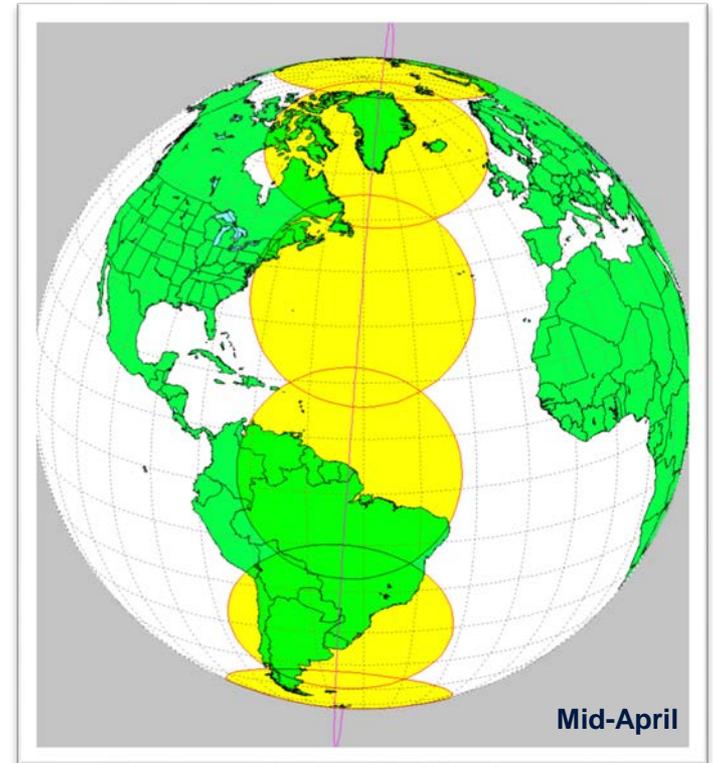
# Launch 1 Coverage

*Data from One Payload Stitched Over 62 Hours*



Date / Duration	2017-02-25 to 2017-02-27 / 62 Hours
Unique Aircraft	17,229
Max Range	3,500km
Types of Aircraft	Commercial Jets, Business Jets, General Aviation, Helicopters
Airspace Domains	Polar, Oceanic, En Route, Terminal, and Surface

*Slots 1-7 and 11 are Filled*



# 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: Successful Results



**NAV CANADA**



**Iqaluit GBRT**

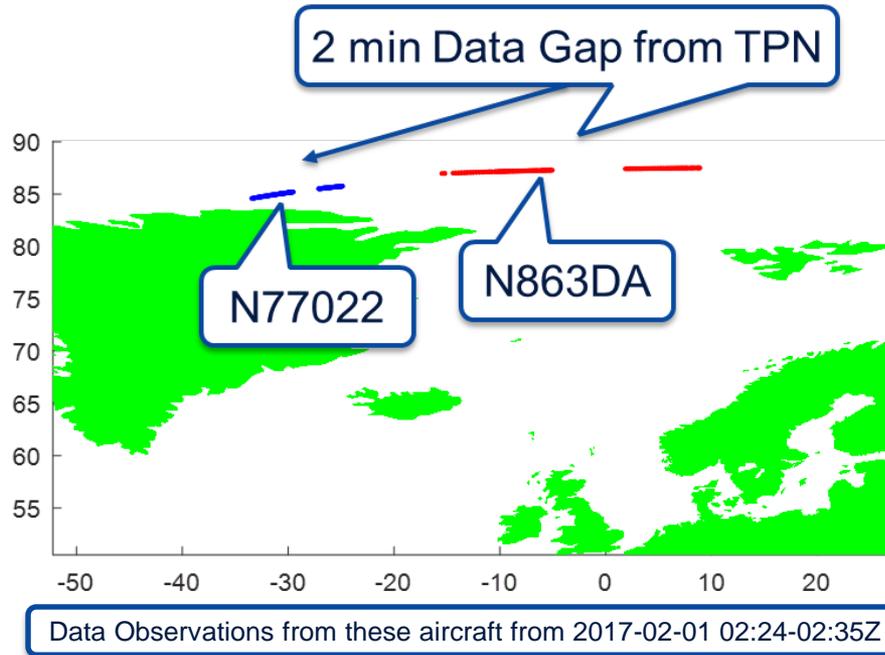


**Polaris**



**FAA**

# Preliminary Data: Polar Traveling Aircraft

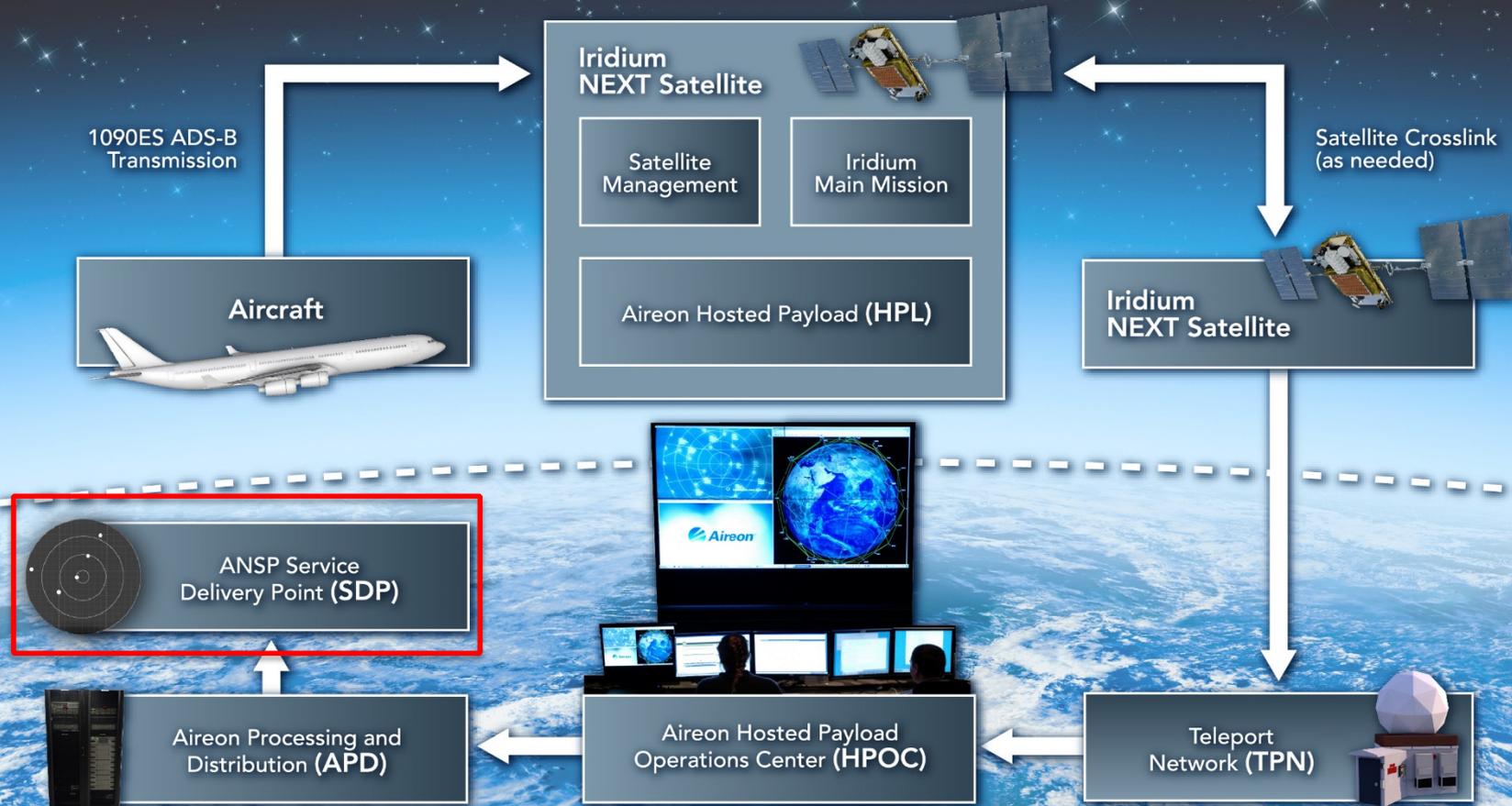


These two aircraft are travelling Eastbound together at about 490 knots at the same altitude (35,000') with a separation distance of  
~155 NM

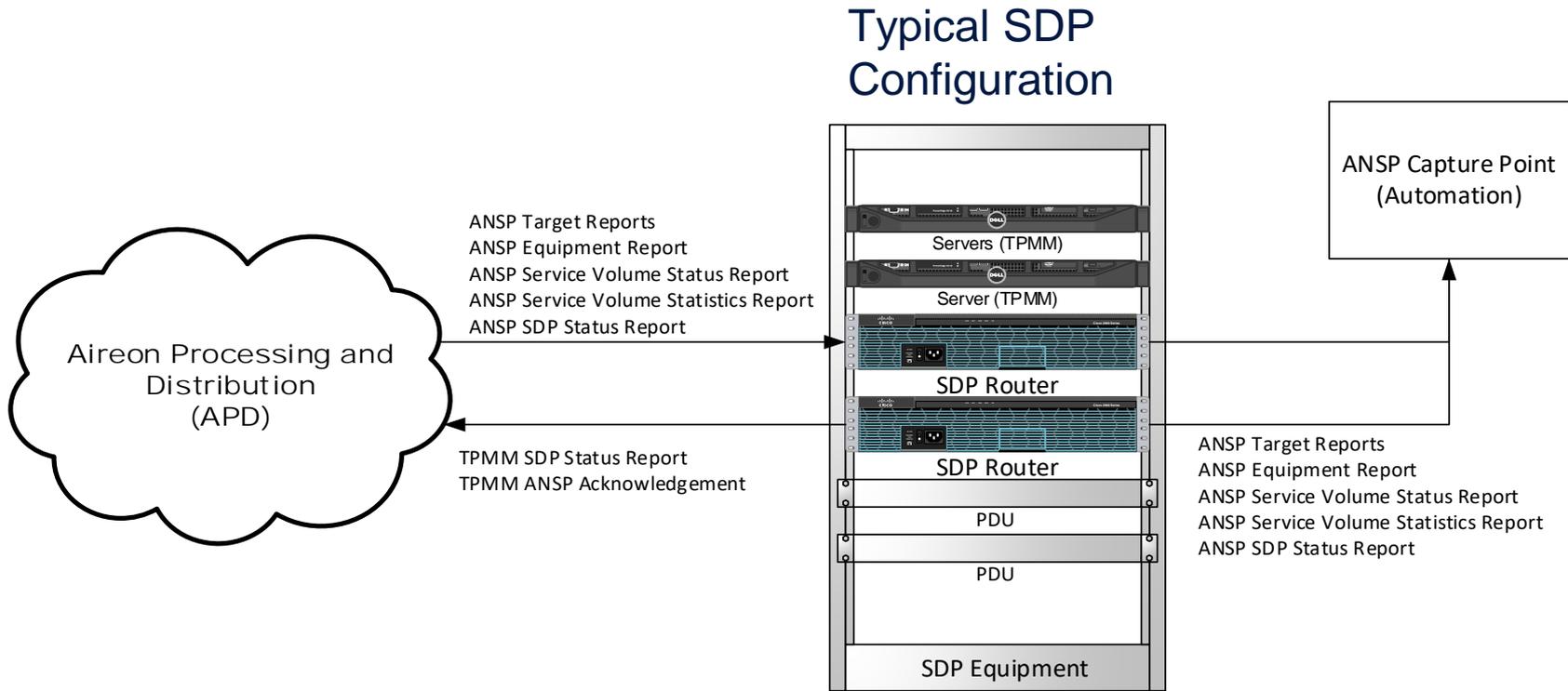
# Service Delivery Point (SDP) and Space-based ADS-B data distribution



# Service Delivery Point (SDP)

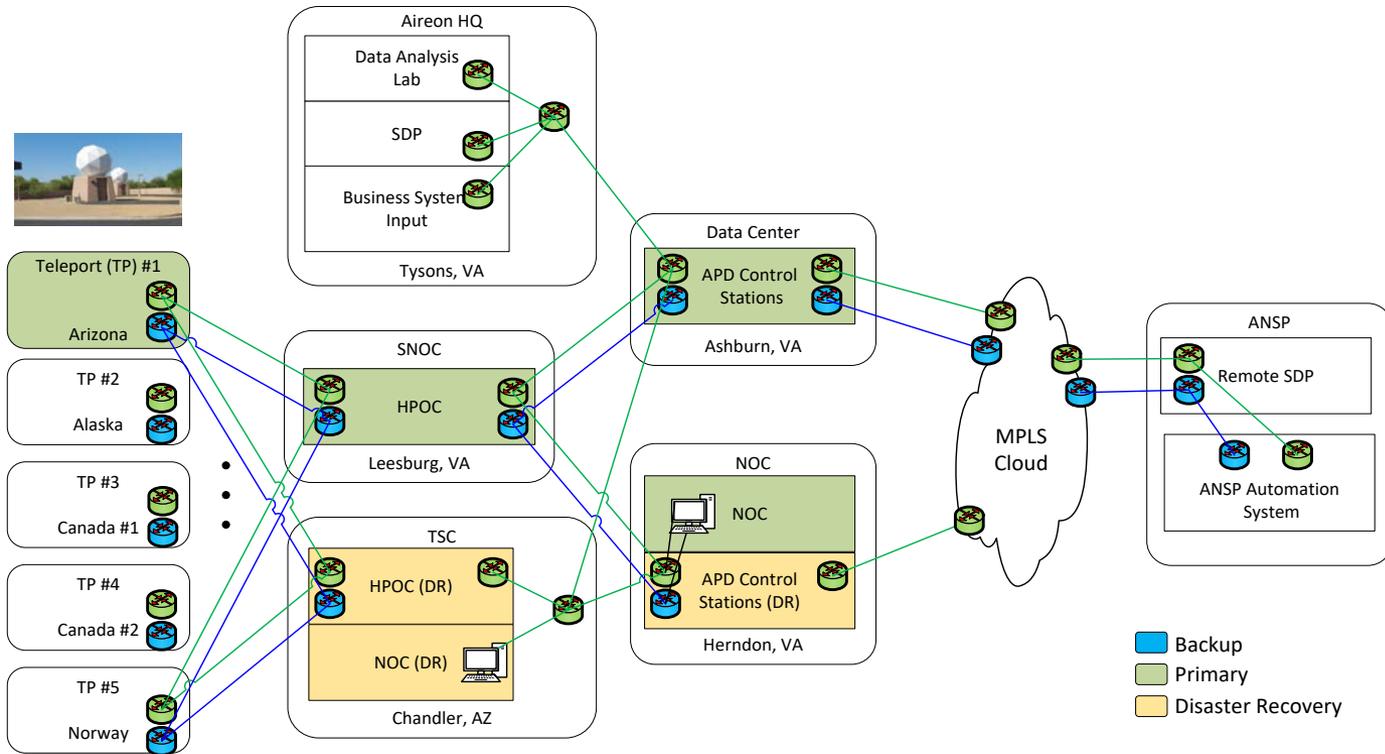


# Typical SDP Architecture (Single Node)



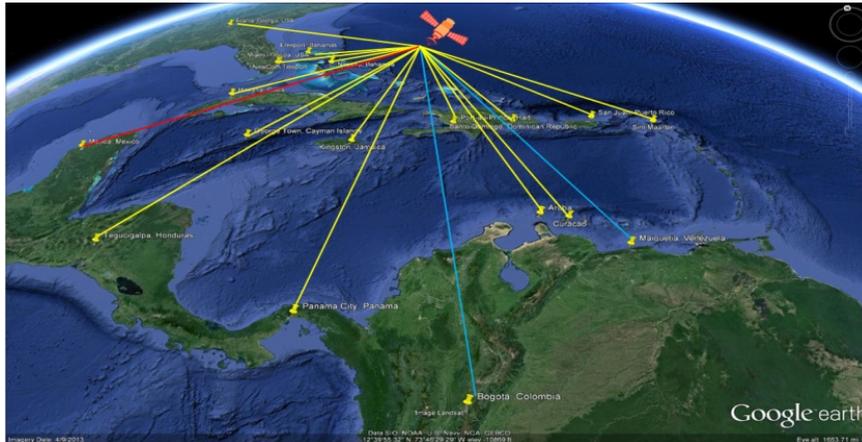
# Typical SDP Network Diagram

## Aireon Global Surveillance Network Overview



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# MEVA III Regional Network



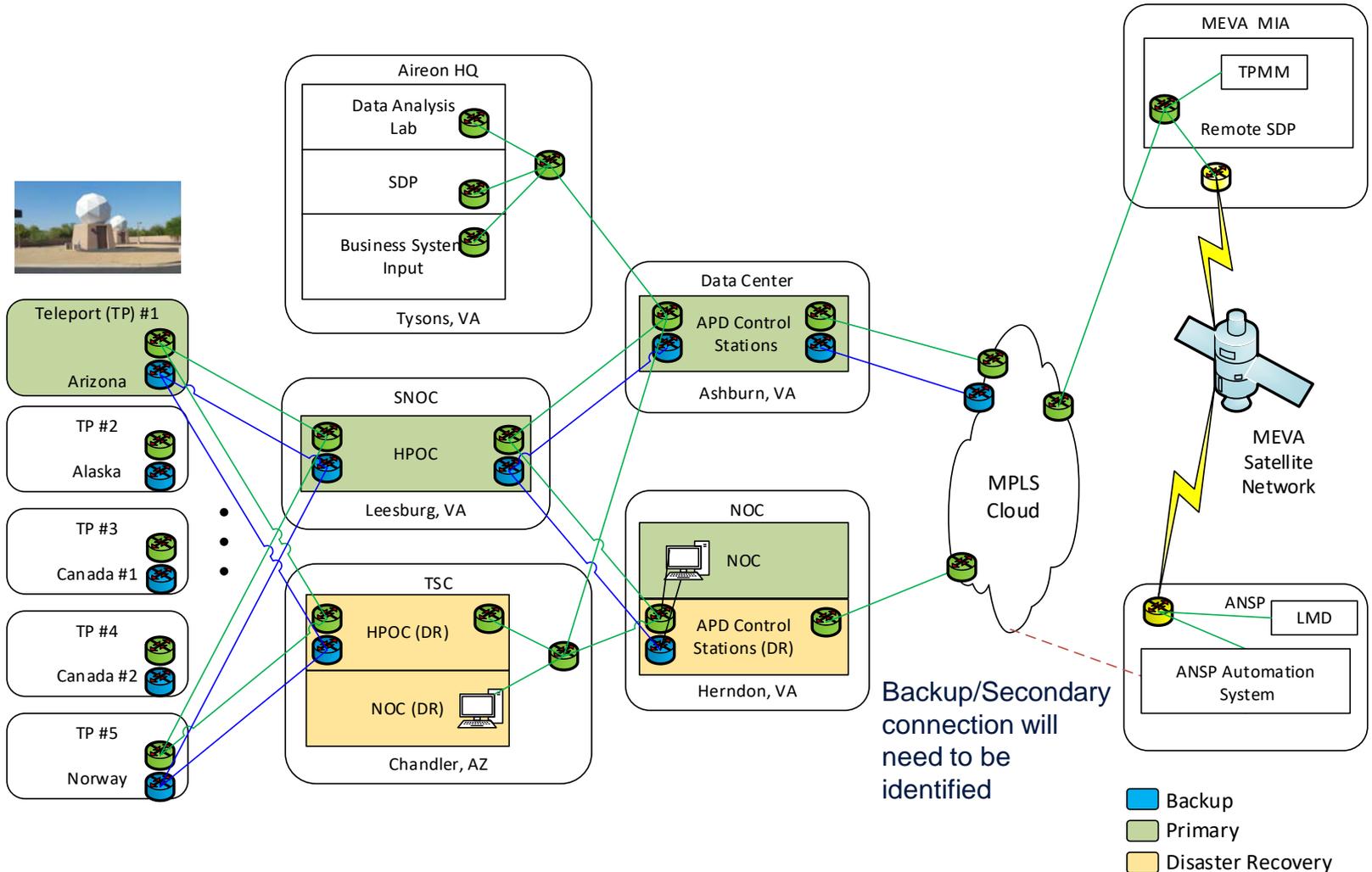
- **18 nodes**
- **19 States/ Territories**
- **6 fully redundant sites**
- **Satellite: Intelsat 14 @ 315°E**  
(expected lifetime: 2035)
- **Overall bandwidth (customer usable):**  
1.820 kbps
- **2 REDDIG interconnection nodes**  
(Colombia and Venezuela)
- **2 Master stations (Atlanta & Miami)**

By using the Regional Network, States can benefit from:

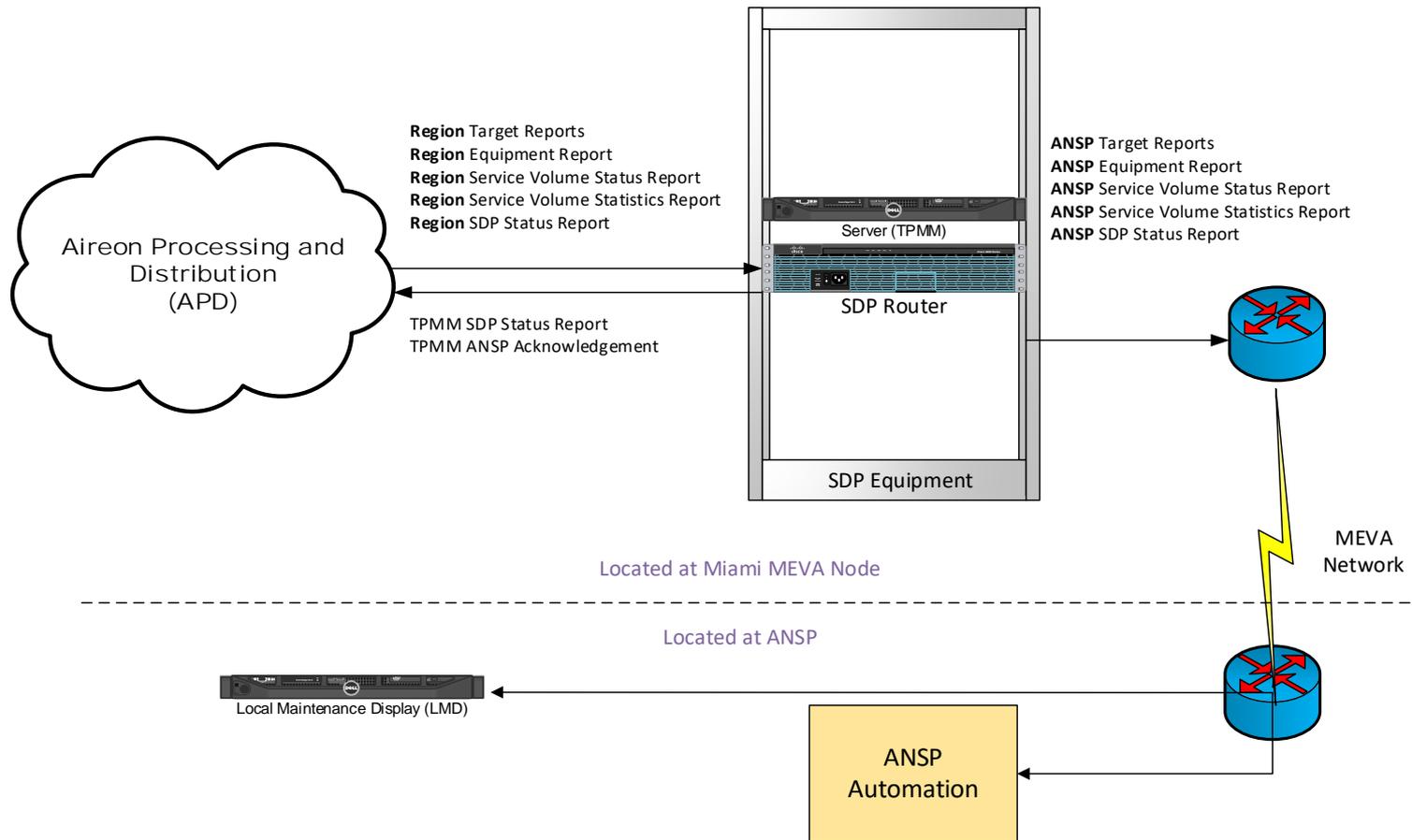
- Reduction of telco lines cost
- Reduction of SDP cost
- Platform for data sharing for ATFM, SWIM and other applications

# MEVA SDP Network Diagram

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# Aireon Hardware Needs to Support MEVA



# Bandwidth Requirements for Connections

FIR	CAT021		CAT025		CAT238		CAT253		Total	
	Mean (kbps)	Max (kbps)								
MUFH	13	30	0	1	0	17	6	32	19	80
MMFR	37	69	0	1	0	39	6	32	43	141
MHTG	18	34	0	1	0	32	6	32	24	99
MKJK	8	23	0	1	0	17	6	32	14	73
TNCF	6	17	0	1	0	16	6	32	12	66
MTEG	1	9	0	1	0	15	6	32	7	57
MDCS	5	15	0	1	0	15	6	32	11	63
TJZS	11	27	0	1	0	18	6	32	17	78
SKED	25	51	0	1	0	22	6	32	31	106
TTZP	9	23	0	1	0	29	6	32	15	85
<b>Total</b>	<b>133</b>	<b>298</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>220</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>320</b>	<b>193</b>	<b>848</b>

# Initial Testing Technical Scorecard – Update Interval

Metric	Design Goal	Measured	Performance Gauge
Update Interval 125 Watt Max UI 95%	8 seconds	<b>6.21 seconds</b> (using known targets)	
Update Interval 400+ Watt Max UI 95%	8 seconds	<b>7.01 seconds</b> (global, using targets of opportunity, SV109 excluded)	
Update Interval North Atlantic Max UI 95%	8 seconds	<b>6.99 seconds</b> (using targets of opportunity, SV109 excluded)	

# Initial Testing Technical Scorecard – Latency

Metric	Design Goal	Measured	Performance Gauge
<b>Latency</b> Payload to APD Input Maximum	429 ms	<b>321.29 ms</b> (8 payloads, limited bandwidth, 11 April 2017)	
<b>Latency</b> Payload to APD Output Maximum	634 ms	<b>450.77 ms</b> (8 payloads, limited bandwidth, 11 April 2017)	

# Network Requirement

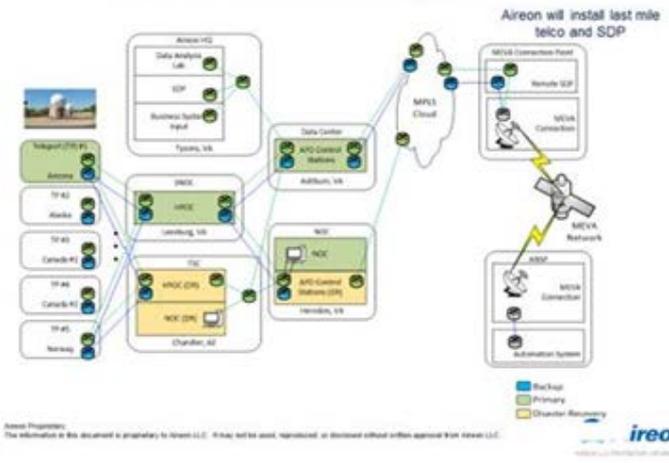
- System Availability > 0.999 - This typically requires 2 connections
  - Backup/Secondary connection needs to be identified
- Multicast Data
- Delivery to Automation system with low latency
- Surveillance data segregation for each of the connected ANSP

# New MEVA III Circuits: AIREON Services

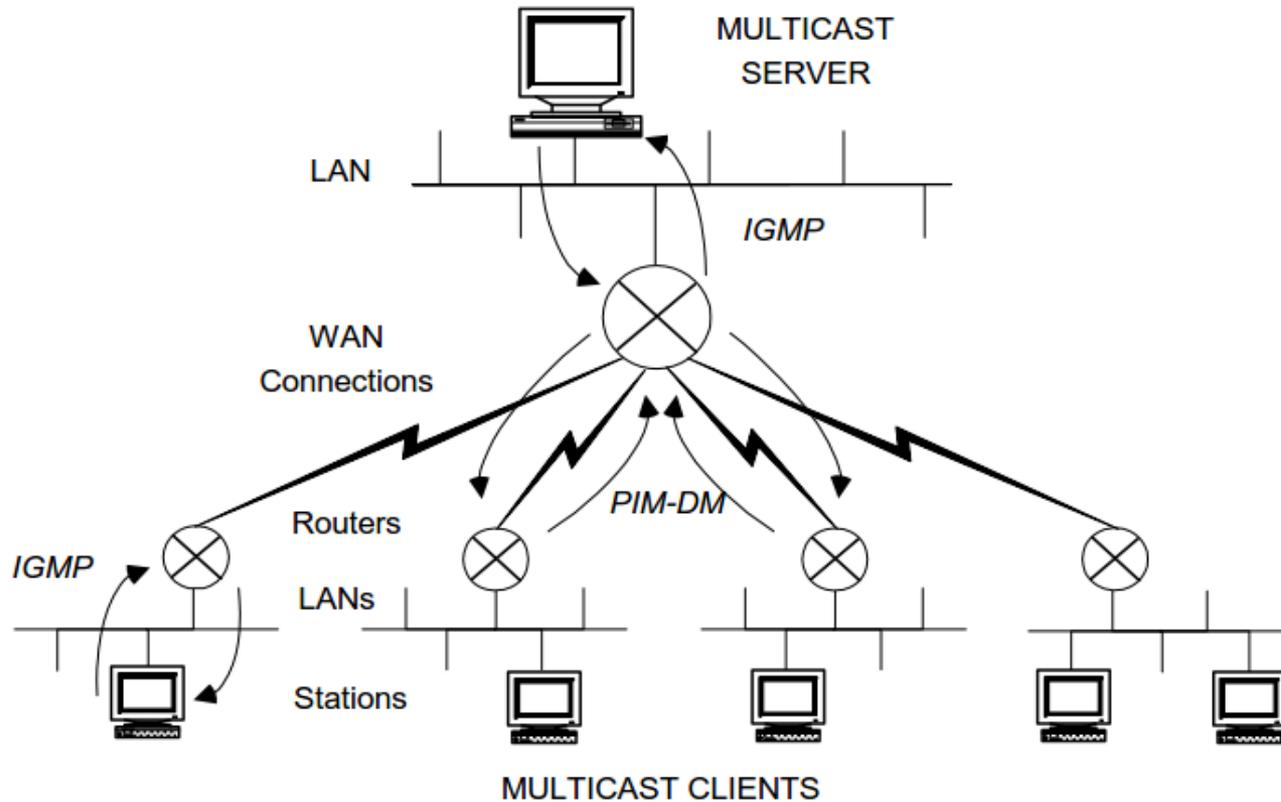
## AIREON services request:

- To connect to the MEVA III network at Miami (TP) by Ethernet
- AIREON to deploy a Service Delivery Point (SDP)
  - by MPLS Ethernet connections from AIREON system to the SDP
- AIREON to send the SDP data for the region that would need to be sent to the correct ANSP
- AIREON SDP would connect to the MEVA III Network and provide Multicast data to each specific ANSP

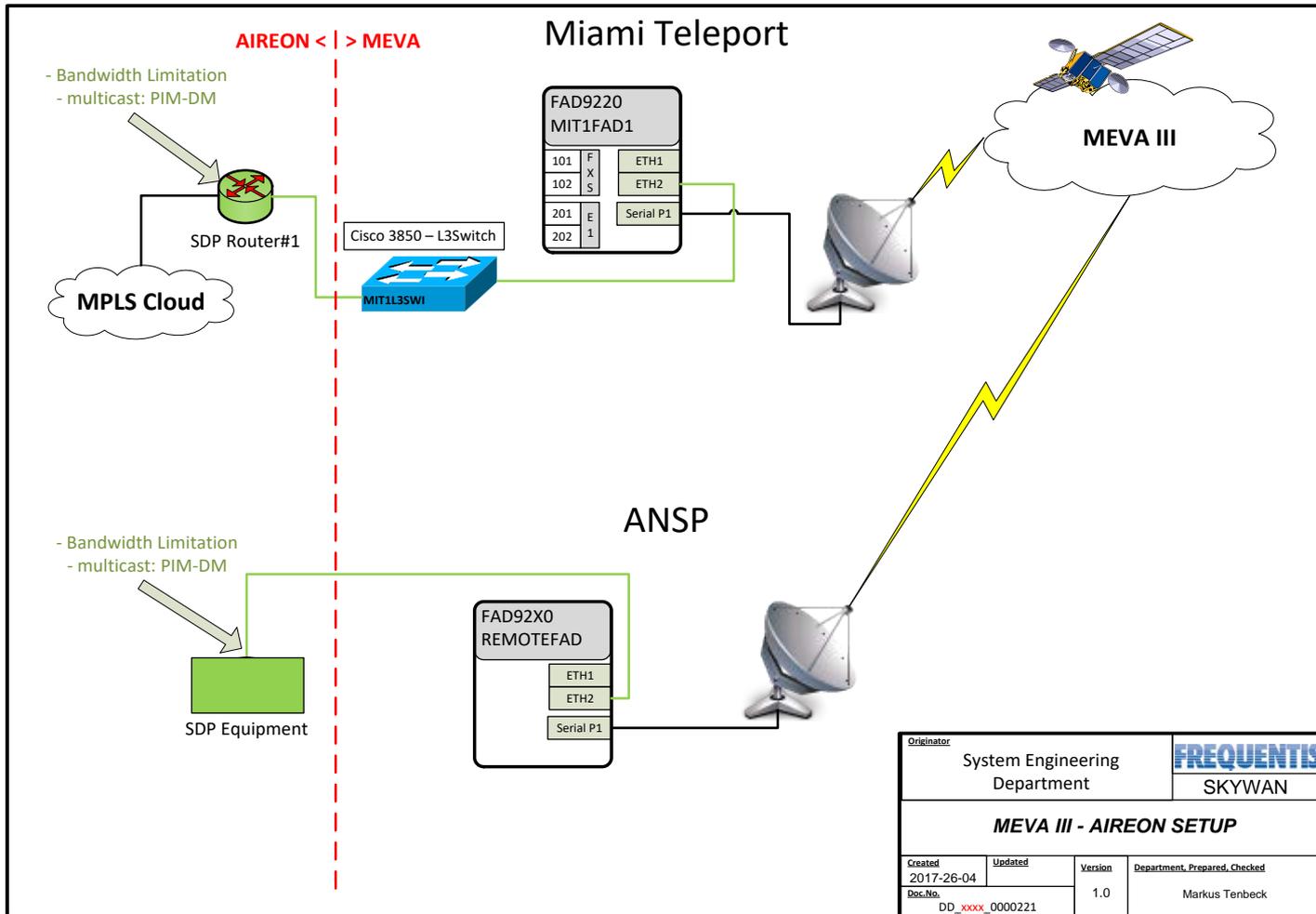
MEVA SDP Network Diagram  
Aireon Global Surveillance Network Overview



## Multicast principle in MEVA III network:



# New MEVA III Circuits: AIREON Services



## Multicast benefits in MEVA III network:

- Only one data stream for service
  - remote stations addressed by IP addresses and port numbers
  - no influence on existing services
    - parallel to future VLAN and monitoring/remote access IP network
    - network carrier upgrade per additional ANSP service delivery
  
- The FAD uses the PIM-DM protocol (Protocol Independent Multicast - Dense Mode)
  - This is a routing algorithm designed for multicast groups that are densely distributed across the network.

# Conclusions

- It is feasible to distribute space-based ADS-B air traffic surveillance data, through MEVA III
  - Reduction in SDP and Telco costs for ANSPs that wish to use the network for implementing Space-based ADS-B
  - No additional cost for users of MEVA III not using Space-based ADS-B service
  - No interference with current services running over the MEVA III network
  - Platform to cooperate among States for other regional projects as ATFM
  - MEVA would be primary way to connect. Secondary line/backup to be identified with each State
- Aireon would guarantee availability to the SDP and Frequentis guarantees availability to ANSPs sites
- Suggested Action:
  - Develop detailed architecture for distribution of Space-based ADS-B surveillance data through MEVA III and define costs for interested States
  - Implementation in Curacao through MEVA III
    - ◆ Testing and validating for Curacao can help other States

Thank you

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