

Space Transportation Advisory Committee



COMSTAC

Commercial Space Transportation Advisory Committee

FAA Office of Commercial Space Transportation

- First established in February 1984 by Executive Order 12465
- Originally under the Office of the Secretary of the Department of Transportation; transferred to the Federal Aviation Administration in 1995
- Responsible for both regulating commercial space activities and promoting the industry
- Office is led by Dr. George Nield



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- Established in April 1984 by Order of the Secretary of Transportation
- Members are appointed by the U.S. Secretary of Transportation for two-year terms
- The COMSTAC is comprised of 26 members including executives from Boeing, SpaceX, Lockheed Martin, Virgin Galactic, and Blue Origin

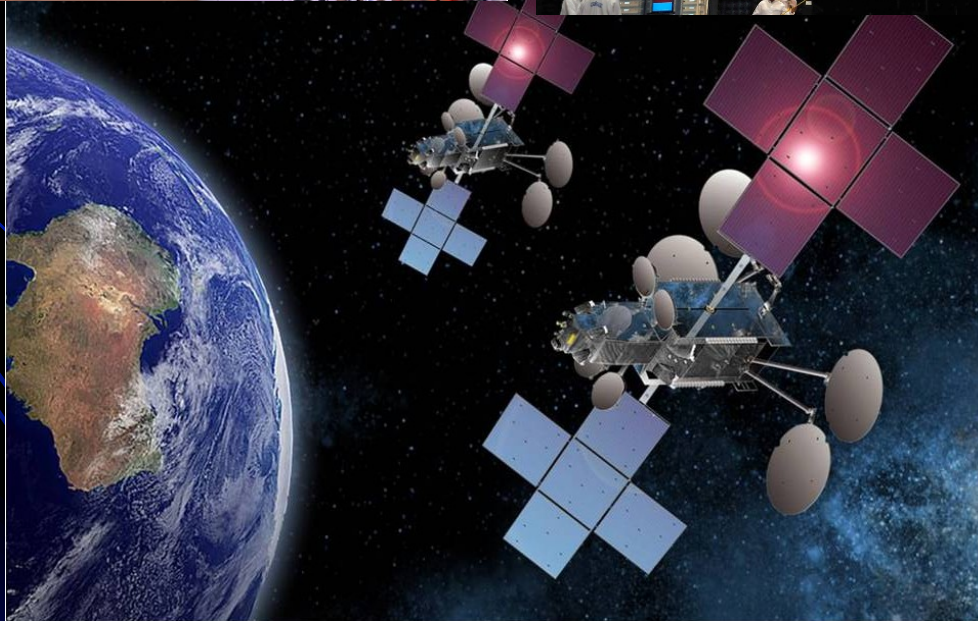
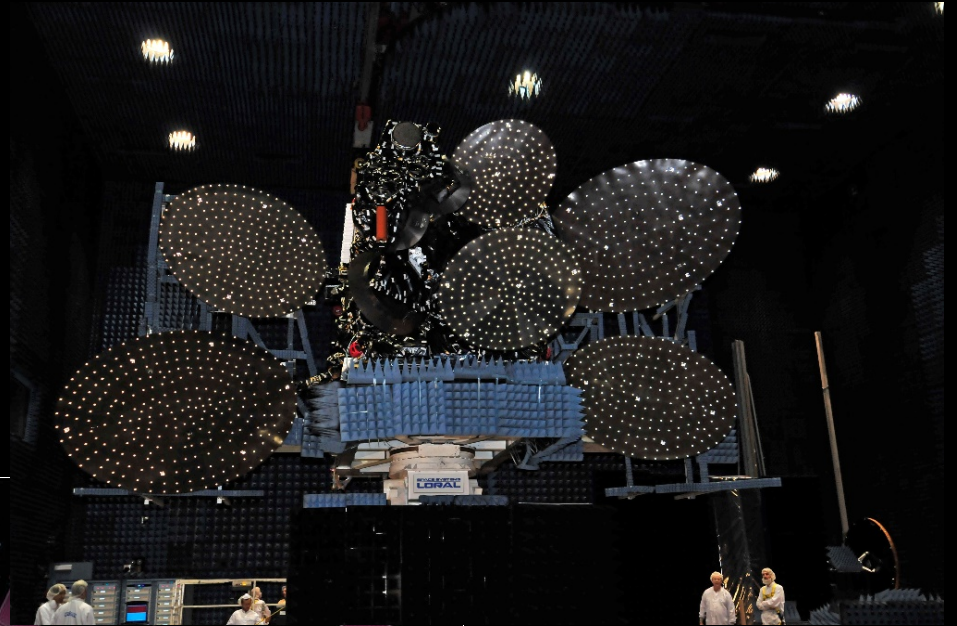


COMSTAC Leadership

- Chair: Mike Gold
- Vice Chair: Michael Lopez-Alegria
- Four Working Group Chairs and Vice Chairs



LEO Has Been Commercialized



Transportation



Regulatory Barriers

- FAA AST Funding Levels

- Article VI Issues

- Export Control



BUREAUCRACY

Nothing can stop it.

Public Private Partnerships



The FAA's Commercial Space Transportation Advisory Committee (COMSTAC) will meet on April 27-28, 2016 at the National Transportation Safety Board Conference Center, 429 L'Enfant Plaza, S.W., Washington, DC.