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**SATELLITE INDUSTRY ASSOCIATION STATEMENT
ON ADOPTION OF SPECTRUM FRONTIERS RULEMAKING
BY FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION**

Washington, D.C., October 22, 2015 – Satellite Industry Association President Tom Stroup today issued the following statement upon the adoption by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) of a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking regarding the future deployment of “5G” wireless services in spectrum bands above 24 GHz:

“The future deployment of 5G provides an opportunity for consumers to continue to enjoy the unparalleled benefits of satellite technology. The satellite industry will play an essential role in the 5G ecosystem by off-loading traffic from congested terrestrial wireless networks, providing reliable and resilient backhaul services, and providing mobile broadband to vehicles and airplanes. We look forward to working with the FCC as it considers how to provide spectrum access to all technologies in a manner that does not constrain the deployment of the satellite services that are currently operating or planned in the future.”

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About The Satellite Industry Association

SIA is a U.S.-based trade association providing worldwide representation of the leading satellite operators, service providers, manufacturers, launch services providers, and ground equipment suppliers. Since its creation almost twenty years ago, SIA has advocated for the unified voice of the U.S. satellite industry on policy, regulatory, and legislative issues affecting the satellite business. For more information, visit www.sia.org.

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