



Delta Air Lines Selects Hughes Fusion Simultaneous Multi-Orbit In-Flight Connectivity Solution for Select Future Delivery A350 and A321neo Aircraft

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Simultaneous Multi-Orbit and Multi-Band Solution is the First in Aviation Connectivity

WASHINGTON, March 6, 2025 /PRNewswire/ -- **(Satellite Show 2025 Booth 1902)** – Hughes Network Systems, LLC (HUGHES), an EchoStar Company (Nasdaq: SATS), today announced the revolutionary Hughes Fusion Simultaneous Multi-Orbit In-Flight Connectivity Solution is coming to Delta Air Lines for select new delivery A350 and A321neo aircraft. This adds to the already awarded 400+ Delta ERJ, CRJ, and Boeing 717 aircraft. This innovative industry-first solution was developed for commercial aviation to simultaneously blend LEO and GEO satellite capacity to set a new standard for the in-flight connectivity experience. This solution will be introduced onboard Delta's 717 aircraft in the second half of 2025. This forward-looking solution provides Delta the utmost flexibility to deliver an elevated seamless experience.



"The Hughes Fusion Simultaneous Multi-Orbit In-Flight Connectivity Solution represents a first-of-its-kind innovation in commercial aviation for a more consistent and reliable customer experience for every flight and every passenger," said Reza Rasoulia, SVP & GM, Hughes Aviation. "This 'no compromise' solution simultaneously utilizes capacity from different orbits and bands to provide passengers the highest and best level of connectivity globally. This enables Delta to take advantage of the diversity, improved performance, and lower risk of using two satellite networks simultaneously. It redefines in-flight connectivity and ensures passengers remain connected from gate-to-gate, enjoying a level of resiliency previously unattainable in the aviation industry."

After extensive system analysis, lab evaluation and in-flight testing, Delta partnered with Hughes to support Delta's next generation in-flight entertainment experience and selected the new Fusion system for installation for its new delivery Airbus A321neo, A350-1000 and Boeing 717 aircraft.

"This industry-first solution ushers in a new era of connectivity experience for Delta. Using multiple antennas, we can now dynamically deliver the best experience for customers based on location, demand and network conditions," said Glenn Latta, Managing Director, Delta. "Our partnership with Hughes to design, test, and refine this next generation connectivity solution gives us critical and unique insight into how the next generation experience will be unlocked in the years ahead."

For more information about the Hughes Fusion In-Flight Connectivity Solution, please visit the Hughes booth 1902 at Satellite 2025 in Washington, D.C., or 2B70 at AIX in Germany.

About Hughes

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Through exceptional service and the power of innovation, Delta Air Lines never stops looking for ways to make every trip feel tailored to every customer.

There are 100,000 Delta people leading the way to deliver a world-class customer experience on up to 5,000 peak day flights to more than 290 destinations on six continents, connecting people to places and to each other.

Delta served more than 200 million customers in 2024 -- safely, reliably and with industry-leading customer service innovation -- and was recognized by J.D. Power for being No. 1 in First/Business and Premium Economy Passenger Satisfaction. We remain committed to ensuring that the future of travel is connected, personalized and enjoyable. Our people's genuine and enduring motivation is to make every customer feel welcomed and cared for across every point of their journey with us.

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