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The detection of vapor during the loading of propellant on the upper stage of a Boeing Delta II rocket has delayed Sunday's, April 26, launch for the Iridium system from Vandenberg Air Force Base, Calif. A new launch date will be established as soon as the issue is resolved.

The Iridium system is a global wireless communications network that will combine the worldwide reach of 66 low-Earth-orbit satellites with land-based wireless systems to enable subscribers to communicate using handheld telephones and pagers virtually anywhere in the world.

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