Boeing Delays Delta III Launch of Orion 3 Satellite

Boeing has delayed the launch of a Delta III rocket to assess any potential implications from the U.S. Air Force launch of a Titan IV rocket earlier today.

The Delta III had been scheduled to make a launch attempt from Cape Canaveral Air Station, Fla., on Sunday, but Boeing officials have put off the launch until at least Tuesday, May 4. The launch window for the Orion 3 satellite built by Hughes Space and Communications opens at 8:56 p.m. and closes at 10:04 p.m. EDT.

Loral Space & Communications will own and operate the satellite, which will expand the Loral satellite service fleet by providing telecommunications for the entire Asia-Pacific region.

For the latest information on the Orion 3 launch, please call the Boeing launch hotline at (714) 896-4770.

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