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SKY Perfect JSAT Corporation

SKY Perfect JSAT Selected as a Ground Station for NASA's Artemis II — The Only Private-Sector Participant in Asia —

SKY Perfect JSAT Corporation (Head Office: Tokyo; Representative Director, President & Chief Executive Officer: Eiichi Yonekura; “SKY Perfect JSAT”) today announced that it has been selected as a participant to track the Orion spacecraft during the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA)’s crewed Artemis II mission*¹. Using its ground-based antennas, SKY Perfect JSAT will passively track radio waves transmitted by Orion spacecraft and submit tracking data to NASA to help assess and augment mission support. SKY Perfect JSAT is the only private company in Asia selected as a ground station for this activity.

In this mission, aSKY Perfect JSAT’s ground stations will support one-way Doppler measurement*² of signals from Orion throughout its approximately 10-day journey around the Moon and back to Earth. Specifically, SKY Perfect JSAT will operate three 13.5-meter antenna systems to receive Orion spacecraft’s radio signals, precisely measure frequency shifts (Doppler), and provide the resulting tracking data to NASA.

*¹ Artemis II: The first crewed mission of NASA’s Artemis campaign. Orion spacecraft will carry four astronauts on an approximately 10-day flight around the Moon and return to Earth. (Target launch schedule per NASA communications; see related links below.)

*² One-way Doppler measurement: A technique that estimates a spacecraft’s velocity and orbital parameters by receiving signals at a ground station and analyzing frequency changes (Doppler shifts) in the transmitted radio waves. This method supports mission tracking and operational safety.



(Left) SPE: Space Port East: One of the ground facilities that receives signals from Earth orbit and the Earth–Moon region for one-way Doppler measurements in the Artemis II mission.

(Right) Antenna facility equipped with a protective structure (“radome”) covering the antenna: Photographed from the ground, with the red-circled area on the left highlighted.

Since the launch of Japan’s first privately operated communications satellite in 1989, SKY Perfect JSAT has been operating satellites and ground stations for more than 35 years. Today, we own and operate numerous antenna systems across six satellite control facilities throughout Japan. The ground station facilities utilized for this mission are also employed in “JSAT Space Line,” a commercial near-Earth tracking network service launched in September 2025, and represent an important application of the service for lunar exploration.

Looking ahead, SKY Perfect JSAT will continue to expand infrastructure from the ground to cislunar space, contributing to the safety and reliability of exploration missions and addressing diverse customer needs as a Space Solutions Provider.

■ Related Links

- Official Announcement by NASA: January 23, 2026
NASA Selects Participants to Track Artemis II Mission
<https://www.nasa.gov/technology/space-comms/nasa-selects-participants-to-track-artemis-ii-mission/>
- “Artemis II Mission”, Official NASA Website
<https://www.nasa.gov/mission/artemis-ii/>

■ Company Overview

SKY Perfect JSAT Corporation

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Business Overview: Positioning ourselves as “Space Business Pioneers,” SKY Perfect JSAT operates two core businesses: Space and Media. In Space Business, we provide satellite communication services using geostationary satellites and are actively developing our Space Intelligence Business, which leverages satellite data. We have also decided to own low Earth orbit (LEO) Earth observation satellites, expanding our services into diverse fields including national security. In our Media Business, we provide broadcasting and distribution services through “SKY PerfectTV!”, along with B2B media solutions, and fiber-optic retransmission services. We are also expanding into the global IP content market to further diversify our business.

SKY Perfect JSAT Group Website: <https://www.skyperfectjsat.space/en>

Space Business Website: <https://www.skyperfectjsat.space/jsat/en/>