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**SOLAR RACING NEWS**

## **Solar Car Race Video Available Via Satellite Uplinks**

**What:** The American Solar Challenge, a 2,300-mile solar car race from Chicago to the Los Angeles area along historic Route 66. The American Solar Challenge is an educational event in which university teams, companies and clubs compete to build and race solar-powered cars across the country. The car with the fastest cumulative time will win the competition.

**When:** The race runs July 15-25. It begins at 9 a.m. CDT, Sunday, July 15, at the Museum of Science and Industry, Chicago, Ill. The race finish will be at approximately 11 a.m. PDT, Wednesday, July 25, in Claremont, Calif. Video of the race will be available via satellite at the following times. (All B-roll will be different. July 15 video will include team preparations and the race start; July 21 will include various race segments between Chicago and Albuquerque, N.M.; July 25 will include footage from Albuquerque to the race finish in Claremont, Calif.).

**Uplinks:**

Sun. July 15 1-1:15 p.m. Central Daylight time (CDT)  
Telstar 4, Transponder 11  
C Band  
3920 MHz, Vertical

Sat. July 21 1:15-1:30 p.m. Mountain Daylight Time (MDT)  
Telstar 6, Transponder 3, Upper  
KU Band - Analog  
Audio 6.2, 6.8

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## AMERICAN SOLAR CHALLENGE

Wed. July 25 1-1:15 p.m. Pacific Daylight Time (PDT)  
GE-2, Transponder 13  
KU Band  
11960 Vertical

**How:** Daily race results will be posted on the Internet at [www.formulasun.org/asc](http://www.formulasun.org/asc).

Photos of the cars are also available at this site. The location of the solar cars can be tracked at: [www.formulasun.org/asc/tracking/index.html](http://www.formulasun.org/asc/tracking/index.html).

The American Solar Challenge News Center will be operational July 16-25. Call Gary Schmitz at 909-869-4863 for information, or email at [gary\\_schmitz@nrel.gov](mailto:gary_schmitz@nrel.gov).

The race is sponsored by the U.S. Department of Energy and its National Renewable Energy Laboratory (NREL), Golden, Colo.; EDS, Plano, Texas; and Terion, Melbourne, Fla.

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