

Description of Lost Comm Procedures JPL Titan Aerobot Testbed Flights

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The only communications link used in the JPL blimp test flights is that between the ground crew and the local air traffic control. If this link is lost, the following steps are taken:

1. If the blimp is in the air, it is immediately brought back to home base.
2. The ground crew will use a cell phone to contact the main switchboard at SCLA and have them inform the tower that communications have been lost.
3. We will work with local support personnel to restore communications before continuing with the flight tests.