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To: OPRA Multicast Subscribers

Subject: **New OPRA Dynamic Rebalance Symbol Distribution – Industry Tests and Go-Live**  
**Date: November 23, 2026 - Updates to Industry Test Dates, and Documentation**

**What's New:**

As [previously announced](#), OPRA is implementing a change to the message traffic distribution and balancing method it currently uses. After receiving survey feedback from over 40 OPRA Subscribers, to provide ample time for all OPRA consumers to be ready, the go-live implementation date will be **November 23, 2026**.

Certification (Cert) System Testing:

- Begins **Monday, August 24, 2026** (Functional testing)

Planned Industry Test dates:

- **Saturday, August 29, 2026** (Functional testing)
- **Saturday October 3, 2026** (Functional, Failure/Recovery, and Capacity testing)
- **Saturday, October 17, 2026** (Intraday fallback to November 20, 2026, symbol routing)
- **Saturday, October 31, 2026** (Final Functional testing)
- **Saturday, November 21, 2026** (Confidence Test prior to Go-Live)
- **Monday, November 23, 2026: Activation Go-Live**

**Documentation:**

Following documents have been updated.

- [OPRA Pillar Output Specification](#)
- [Common IP Multicast Distribution Network Specification](#)
- [Multicast Channel Dynamic Balancing Plan](#)

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