



"LIGHTS OUT" IN NEW YORK

Every night, all over the world near local midnight, a 500-mi high polar orbiting Defense Meteorological Satellite "sees" and records this view. The night of July 13, 1977 was no exception. On this night, there was a marked difference in the usual picture of the East Coast of the U.S.. New York City was undergoing a massive power failure. The lightless area was vividly depicted on the nighttime, visual photo received at the U.S. Air Force Air Weather Service's Satellite Receiving Station on Cape Canaveral Station, FL at 1:00 am, July 14, 1977. --- H.W. Brandli, Environmental Research & Technology, Inc., Satellite Beach, FL 32937, and D.L. Reinke, Lt., USAF, Cape Canaveral Air Force Station, FL.