Ratification of GSSC Assumptions

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Outline

1. **User Support Drivers for Tool Release**
2. **Review of GI Proposal Tools**

User Support Drivers for Tool Release

- The following are the user support drivers for releasing the analysis tools. I would like the GUC to ratify the resulting release schedule.

- GUC beta-test—after DC2, in November '06. The tools need to be more polished than for a DC, but not as polished for release for the general scientific community.

- NRA release (~1/07)—since GIs will not be analyzing LAT data during Cycle 1, they do not need the SAE to prepare proposals; the web-based detectability and simulation tools (see AI#15) should suffice.

- GLAST Science Symposium (~2/07)—the tools will be demonstrated during the Symposium, and some tools will be available for users to play with at the Symposium, but the full suite will not be released.

User Support Drivers for Tool Release, cont.

- Cycle 1—While GIs will NOT have access to LAT photons during the first year, scientists should start learning how to use the tools. Some simulated data should accompany the tools.
  - The exception are the ~2 tools needed for analyzing GBM data (which will be released from the beginning of the mission). These tools can be released early.

- This argues for the full release of the SAE towards the end of '07 (e.g., 12/07). The LAT team's experience with the data and the SAE will lead to updates (e.g., 6/08).

Review of GI Proposal Tools

- **The GI proposal tools will be described in AI#15 discussion.**

- **The GUC should review these tools (agreed?)—how and when?**

- **Proposal: the GUC will remotely beta-test and then comment upon these tools in September, 2006.**

  - **GI Cycle 1 proposal season begins 12/15/06 and ends 3/15/05.**