## **ABBREVIATIONS**

AAD/T	Australian Antarctic Division/Territory overseen by the Commonwealth
AAPT	AAP Telecommunications is an Australian telecommunications
ABA	carrier Australian Proceeding Authority regulates radio and
ADA	Australian Broadcasting Authority regulates radio and television services
ABC	Australian Broadcasting Corporation provides radio and
	television services
ACA	Australian Communications Authority regulates
	telecommunications
ACCC	Australian Competition and Consumer Commission
AEST	Australian Eastern Standard Time as applies to the eastern states
AFP	Australian Federal Police
AIS	Australia-Indonesia-Singapore undersea telecommunications cable
AM	Amplitude Modulation radio frequency broadcasting standard
AMPS	Analogue Mobile telephone System as distinct from GSM digital
ANZCAN	Australia-New Zealand-Canada undersea telecommunications cable
BBC	British Broadcasting Corporation
BMAC	Broadcasting Media Access Control protocol code encrypted television
BRACS	Broadcasting for Remote Aboriginal Communities Scheme
DRCS	Ditital Radio Concentrator Systems
E(FT)POS	Electronic (Funds Transfer at) Point-of-Sale on-line banking facility
FM	Frequency Modulation radio frequency broadcasting standard
GSM	Global System Mobile digital telephone system as distinct from AMPS
GWN	Golden West Network provides television service to Western Australia
IDD	International subscriber Direct Dialling used for overseas telephone calls
Inmarsat	International Maritime Satellite Organisation for mobile communications
Intelsat	International Telecommunications Satellite Organisation global system
IOT	Indian Ocean Territories of Christmas Island and Cocos (Keeling) Islands
ISDN	Integrated Service Digital Network that combines voice and data services
ISP	Internet Service Provider provides customer access to the WorldWide Web

kbps	Kilo (1 000) bits per second data transfer rate
MDS	Microwave Distribution System used to transmit radio or
	television
NIBS	Norfolk Island Broadcasting Services provides radio and
	television service
NIDS	Norfolk Island Data Services
NIG	Norfolk Island Government
Optus	Optus Communications Ltd is an Australian
PABX	telecommunications carrier Private Automatic Branch Exchange serves as a local telephone
FADA	switch
Palapa	Indonesian telecommunications and broadcasting satellite
	system
PanAmSat	Pan American Satellite is now a global telecommunications
	system
PMFM	Perth radio station also re-broadcast on Christmas and Cocos
	Islands
POP	Points Of Presence
PSTN	Public Switched Telephone Network is a basic
	telecommunications system
RABS	Remote Area Broadcasting Service comprise ABC, SBS and other RCTS
RCTS	Remote Commercial Television Services delivered by satellite
RTIF	Regional Telecommunications Infrastructure Fund
SBS	Special Broadcasting Service Corporation provides radio and television
STD	Subscriber Trunk Dialling used to connect separate local
	exchanges
Telstra	Telstra Corporation Limited is an Australian
	telecommunications carrier
TIO	Telecommunications Industry Ombudsman handles carrier
	complaints
UHF/VHF	Ultra/Very High Frequency radio bands used by television
	service channels
UPU	Universal Postal Union
Vodafone	Vodafone Pty Ltd is an Australian telecommunications carrier