ABBREVIATIONS

AAD/T Australian Antarctic Division/Territory overseen by the

Commonwealth

AAPT AAP Telecommunications is an Australian telecommunications

carrier

Australian Broadcasting Authority regulates radio and ABA

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

AM Amplitude Modulation radio frequency broadcasting standard **AMPS** Analogue Mobile telephone System as distinct from GSM

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

Frequency Modulation radio frequency broadcasting standard FM Global System Mobile digital telephone system as distinct from **GSM**

AMPS

GWN Golden West Network provides television service to Western

Australia

IDD International subscriber Direct Dialling used for overseas

telephone calls

International Maritime Satellite Organisation for mobile **Inmarsat**

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

telecommunications carrier

PABX Private Automatic Branch Exchange serves as a local telephone

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 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