ABS alternate bearing support
ACE attitude control electronics
ACS attitude control subsystem
ACSS acquisition sun sensor
A/D analog to digital

ADC analog to digital converter

ADI Applied Dynamics International

ADS angular displacement sensor

A-hr Amp hour

AMF apogee motor firing

AND (a logical function, as in AND gate)

AQM sun acquisition mode

ATC Assurance Technology Corporation

BC bus controller

BCC battery charge control

BCVM battery cell voltage monitor

BDC battery discharge control

B/S Beamsplitter

BSS Boeing Satellite Systems
BVC bus voltage control
BVL bus voltage limiter

C Celcius

CCD charge coupled device

CCSDS Consultative Committee for Space Data Systems

CDA Command and Data Acquisition

CDAS Command and Data Acquisition Station

CDRL contract data requirements list
CDS Correlated double sampling
CEI coherent error integrator

CF center frequency cm centimeters

CME coronal mass ejection

COMSEC communications security

CONUS contiguous United States (lower 48 states)
CTCU Central telemetry and command unit

D/A digital to analog
DAB deployable aft blanket
DCP data collection platform

DCPI data collection platform interrogate
DCPR data collection platform report

DCS data collection system

DDB digital data bus
DEB data electronics box

DGS Diego Garcia station (USAF)
DID dynamic interaction diagnostic
DMC dynamic motion compensation
DoC Department of Commerce
DPU digital processing unit
DSN Deep Space Network

ECRA electrical contact ring assembly

EED electro-explosive device

ELT emergency locator transmitters
EMC electromagnetic compatibility
EMI electro mechanical interference

EMWIN emergency managers weather information network EPEAD energetic proton, electron, and alpha detector

EOC edge of coverage

EOL end of life

EPIRB emergency position indicating radio beacon EPROM erasable programmable read only memory

EPS energetic particle sensor, electrical power subsystem

EUV extreme ultraviolet

E-W, ew, E/W east-west

EWSK east-west stationkeeping FDB frame definition block

FEMA Federal Emergency Management Agency

FOV field of view

FPGA field programmable gate array

ft feet

GFE government furnished equipment

GIMTACS GOES I-M telemetry and command system
GMS Geostationary Meteorological Satellite

GMT Greenwich mean time; ground multiband terminal

GN ground network

GOES Geostationary Operational Environmental Satellite

GSFC Goddard Space Flight Center

GTACS GOES telemetry and command system

GVAR GOES variable data format HASS high accuracy sun sensor

He Helium

HEB HASS electronics box

HEPAD high energy proton and alpha particle detector

HgCdTe Mercury Cadmium Telluride

HIRU hemispherical inertial reference unit

HSE Hughes spacecraft emulator
IF intermediate frequency
IFC in flight calibration

IFOV instantaneous field of view

IGFOV instantaneous geometric field of view

IMC image motion compensation
 IMCGEN IMC generation function
 IMP instrument mounting platform
 INR image navigation and registration

IOO instrument of opportunity
IOS Indian Ocean Station
IP internet protocol

IPC Integrated power controller

IR Infrared

IRTCU instrument remote telemetry and command unit ISEC instrument systematic error compensation

ITT ITT Industries, Inc.
KSS Keyhole sun sensor
K Kelvin temperature

km kilometers kw kilowatts

LAM liquid apogee motor
LAN local area network
lb-f pound-force

LEO light emitting diode LEO low earth orbit

LMATC Lockheed Martin Advanced Technology Center

LOR launch and orbit raising

LOS line of sight

LRIT Low Rate Information Transmission

LTT low thrust thrusters
LVC launch vehicle contractor

LW long wave m meters

MAGED magnetospheric electron detector MAGPD magnetospheric proton detector

MDL multi-use data link

METEOSAT Meteorological (European Space Agency) Satellite

min minutes

MLI multilayer insulation

MMC mirror motion compensation
MMH monomethylhydrazine

MRS&S MDL receive system and server

MUX multiplexer MW Mid wave N Newton

NASA National Aeronautics and Space Administration

NESDIS National Environmental Satellite, Data, and Information Service

NGDC National Geophysical Data Center

NOAA National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

NRZ non-return to zero
N-S, ns, N/S North-South

NSA National Security Agency
NSI NASA standard initiator
NSSK north-south stationkeeping

NT nano Tesla

NTACTS N-Q telemetry acquisition and command transmission system

NTO nitrogen tetroxide

NW Northwest

NWS National Weather Service

O&A orbit and attitude

OAD orbit and attitude determination
OATS orbit and attitude tracking system

OBP onboard processor

OGE operations ground equipment

OPS Operations

OSC on-board star catalog
OSR optical solar reflector
PCM pulse code modulation
PDR processed data relay

PDU power distribution unit PEB power electronics box

PES performance evaluation system

PLB personal locator beacon

PM product monitor

PMD propellant management device

PMF perigee motor firing PMT photo multipler tube

POES Polar-orbiting Operational Environmental Satellite

PSS precision sun sensor
PWDT Processor watch dog timer
QPSK quadrature phase shift keyed
RAM random access memory

RF radio frequency
RT remote terminal
RTS real time station

RWA reaction wheel assembly SAA solar array actuator SAD solar array drive

SAIC Science Applications International Corporation

SAR search and rescue

SARSAT search and rescue satellite aided tracking

S/C spacecraft

SCP Spacecraft control processor

SD sensor data

SDA Subsystem design and analysis

SDU squib driver unit SEU single event upset

SEC Space Environment Center of NOAA

SEM space environment monitor

SESC Space Environment Services Center

SFSS satellite field service station

SIAD stellar inertial attitude determination

SLT Spacecraft local time

SMS Synchronous Meteorological Satellite

SPS sensor processing system

SOC state of charge

SOCC Satellite Operations Control Center

SRSO super rapid scan operation

SSD solid state detector

SSGS spacecraft support ground system SSPA solid state power amplifier

ST star tracker STM storage mode

STDN Satellite Tracking and Data Network

SW short wave SWD solar wing drive

SWSI single wire serial interface SXI Solar X-ray Imager

T&C telemetry and command
TBS To be specified (or supplied)
TC&R telemetry, command, and ranging
TDRS Tracking Data Relay Satellite

TLM telemetry

TOSS transfer orbit sun sensor
TWDT thruster watch dog timer

UAQPSK unbalanced asynchronous quadrature phase shift keyed

UQPSK unbalanced quadrature phase shift keyed

UHF ultrahigh frequency

UTC universal time coordinated UWDT Unit watch dog timer

VAS visible and infrared spin scan radiometer atmospheric sounder

VIS visible

VME versa-bus module eurocard

WBU Wallops Backup
WEFAX weather facsimile
WFC wide field collimator

XRP x-ray platform, x-ray positioner

XRS x-ray sensor
XUV extreme ultraviolet

µm micrometers

µrad microradians

1553 RT 1553 Data bus remote terminal