XVI. TABLE OF ACRONYMS

ACRONYM	DEFINITION
ABET	Accreditation Board for Engineering and Technology
AC	Advisory Committee
ACM	Association for Computing Machinery
ACSI	American Customer Satisfaction Index
AGI	Arabidopsis Genome Initiative
ARPANET	Advanced Research Projects Agency Network
ATM	Atmospheric Sciences
BART	Bay Area Rapid Transit
BBC	British Broadcasting Corporation
BGE	Baltimore Gas and Electric?
BIO	Biological Sciences
CARA	Center for Astrophysics Research in Antarctica
CAREER	Faculty Early Career Development Program
CCR	Computer-Communications Research
CETP	Collaboratives for Excellence in Teacher Preparation
CFA	County Fire Authority
CHE	Division of Chemistry
CIA	Central Intelligence Agency
CISE	Computer and Information Science and Engineering
CMB	Cosmic Microwave Background
CMU	Carnegie Mellon University
COV	Committee of Visitors
CREST	Centers of Research Excellence in Science and Technology
CRS	Congressional Research Service
CS&E	Computer Science and Engineering
CSNET	Computer Science Network
CTS	Chemical and Transport Systems
DARPA	Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency
DBI	Biological Infrastructure
DMII	Design, Manufacture, & Industrial Innovation
DMP	Distributed Mentor Project
DOE	Department of Energy
ECS	Electrical and Communications Systems
EEC	Engineering Education and Centers
EHR	Education and Human Resources
EIA	Experimental and Integrative Activities
ENG	Engineering
EPA	Environmental Protection Agency
EPSCoR	Experimental Program to Stimulate Competitive Research
ERC	Engineering Research Centers
ESIE	Elementary, Secondary and Informal Education
ESR	Educational System Reform
FBI	Federal Bureau of Investigation
FCSM	Federal Committee of Statistical Methodology

FEC	Forward Error Correction
FFRDC	Federally-Funded Research and Development Center
FY	Fiscal Year
GAO	General Accounting Office
GEO	Geosciences
GIST	Geoscience Interactive Simulations for Teaching
GPA	Grade Point Average
GPRA	Government Performance and Results Act (of 1993)
GRT	Graduate Research Traineeships
HBCU	Historically Black Colleges and Universities
HHS	Health and Human Services
HRD	Human Resource Development
I/UCRC	Industry University Cooperative Research Centers
IBM	International Business Machines
IBN	Integrative Biology and Neuroscience
IEEE	Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers
IG	Inspector General
IGERT	Integrative Graduate Education and Research Training
IIS	Information and Intelligent Systems
IR	Information Retrieval
IRIS	Information, Robotics, and Intelligence Systems
ITR	Information Technology Research
K-12	Kindergarten through twelfth grade
K-16	Kindergarten through college
KMPG LLC	(accounting firm)
LEARN	Laboratory Experience in Atmospheric Research
MCB	Molecular and Cellular Bioscience
MIT	Massachusetts Institute of Technology
MPS	Mathematical and Physical Sciences
MRI	Major Research Instrumentation Program
NAEP	National Assessment of Educational Process
NAPA	National Academy of Public Administration
NASA	National Aeronautics and Space Administration
NCAR	National Center for Atmospheric Research
NEC	Nippon Electric Corporation?
NIST	National Institute for Science and Technologies
NOAA	National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration
NSB	National Science Board
NSF	National Science Foundation
NSFNET	National Science Foundation Network
OCE	Ocean Sciences
OIA	Office of Integrative Activities
OIG	Office of the Inspector General
OLPA	Office of Legislative and Public Affairs
OMB	Office of Management and Budget
ONR	Office of Naval Research
OPP	Office of Polar Programs
PACI	Partnerships for Advanced Computational Infrastructure
PAT	Program Announcement Template
PFSMETE	Postdoctoral Fellowships in Science, Mathematics, Engineering and Technology Education

PI	Principal Investigator
POL SCI	Political Sciences
PRS	Project Reporting System
PwC	PricewaterhouseCoopers
R&D	Research and Development
REU	Research Experiences for Undergraduates
RUI	Research in Undergraduate Institutions
S&E	Salary and Expenses
SBE	Social, Behavioral, and Economic Sciences
SBIR	Small Business Innovation Research Program
SGER	Small Grants for Exploratory Research
SHEBA	Surface Heat Budget of the Arctic Ocean Project
SMET	Science, Mathematics, Engineering and Technology
SOARS	Significant Opportunities in Atmospheric Research and Science
SOC	Sociology
SRC	Semiconductor Research Corporation
SRS	Science Resource Studies
SSI	Statewide Systemic Initiative Program
STC	Science and Technology Center
TAAS	Texas Assessment of Academic Skills
TCP	Transmission Control Protocol
TCP/IP	Transmission Control Protocol/Internet Protocol
TE	Teacher Enhancement
UCAR	University Corporation for Atmospheric Research
UCLA	University of California at Los Angeles
UCSC	University of California at Santa Cruz
UCSD	University of California at San Diego
UNIDATA	UNIDATA (previously University Data Systems)
USGS	U.S. Geological Survey
USI	Urban Systemic Initiative
VBNS	Very High Speed Backbone Network Service
Y2K	Year 2000