BIOS: Basic Input/Output System - A set of programs encoded in Read Only Memory (ROM) to facilitate the transfer of data and control instructions between the computer and peripherals.

CMOS: Complementary Metal-Oxide Semiconductor - An energy-saving chip fabricated to duplicate the functions of other chips, such as memory chips or microprocessors. The system settings for most PCs are stored in the CMOS.

It is recommended that the help file be read from the **<u>Readme.hlp</u>**. The Vocab.hlp is designed for linking purposes only.

ISP: Internet **S**ervice **P**rovider

PCI: Peripheral Component Interconnect local bus - This architecture is the successor to VLB.

QEMM: Quarterdeck Expanded Memory Manager from Quarterdeck Corp.

RAM: Random Access Memory

URL: Uniform **R**esource Locator - An addressing scheme used to link resources on the World Wide Web. Using URLs, a web browser can point to most resources on the net.

VESA: Video Electronics Standards Association.

VLB: VESA Local **B**us - A high-speed bus for graphics cards that provides better video performance on high-end machines.