Glossary

**Evaporation:** The changing of a liquid to a gas.

**Condensation:** The changing of a gas to a liquid.

**Precipitation:** When liquid or solid water particles fall to the Earth's surface. Types of precipitation include rain, hail, sleet, and snow.

**Convection:** The vertical movement of gases or liquids caused by changes in temperature.

**Air Compression:** When air is squeezed together.

**Air Expansion:** When air is spread farther apart.

**Artificial Satellite:** An object in orbit around the Earth for the purpose of scientific research, Earth applications, or military observations.

**Natural satellite:** A moon that revolves around a planet.

**Water vapor:** Water in the gas state.