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Before his position at NASA Headquarters, Greg was a telecommunications systems engineer at NASA Goddard Space Flight Center. He spent the early parts of his career developing high altitude GNSS receiver technology and then six years supporting the Tracking Data Relay Satellite Project, contributing to the construction, launch, and commissioning of TDRS 11, 12, and 13. He holds a B.S. and M.S. degree in Aerospace Engineering from Purdue University.