

Letter from the Editor

In recognition of the need for a journal that focuses on cement and concrete, ASTM, through the sponsorship of Committees C-1 on Cement and C-9 on Concrete and Concrete Aggregates, is inaugurating the publication of a new journal, *Cement, Concrete and Aggregates*. This is the first issue.

Committees C-1 and C-9 are complementary in their spheres of activity. Committee C-1 has jurisdiction over the development of specifications, methods of test, recommended practices and definitions involving hydraulic cements: portland, natural, blended, and special cements. Committee C-9 studies the effects of characteristics of constituent materials and mixtures on the properties of concrete, development of tests therefor, and formulation of pertinent specifications and recommended practices. Both committees are concerned with the improvement and refinement of current standards and the introduction of new standards as the need arises.

It is necessary, therefore, that data and other information be forthcoming in order that these missions of the two committees may be accomplished. This Journal provides an excellent opportunity for able technologists, through their writings, to communicate not only with committee members, but also with that segment of the technical community that is concerned with these very important materials.

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