

## Letter from the Editor

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No hard scrutiny will be necessary for you to see that the cover of JOTE has had since January a change in both layout and color. These changes are a result of continuing efforts by the Editorial Board members, the Editor, and the staff of ASTM to improve the Journal and increase its value to the technical community. We hope that readers will like the new look and that the color will give instant identification when copies of the Journal are seen on shelves in libraries.

Recently four new Editorial Board members have been appointed to JOTE. These members will add a truly international dimension to the Board and the Journal: Ulf Wickström is at the Statens Provningsanstalt in Borâs, Sweden; Gary Burnell works at GEC Turbine Generators Ltd., England; Takao Wakamatsu is with the Building Research Institute, Japan; and Adam Jostsons is employed by the Australian Atomic Energy Commission in Lucas

Heights, Australia. As members of the Editorial Board, these new colleagues are charged with maintaining the standards of quality and credibility in the published articles by means of the peer review system; recommending policy and procedures to the Editor; soliciting manuscripts, reviewing manuscripts, or seeing that they are reviewed; and assuring that their editorial services will not compromise the explicit impartiality of ASTM. As Editor of JOTE, I extend a warm welcome to the new members of the Editorial Board and hope that their association with the Journal will be beneficial to them and to JOTE.

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