## **Journal Support**

THIS issue is one where, as Editor-in-Chief, I can use a small space to acknowledge all of the important contributors to this journal and thank them. The contributors are all of the authors, reviewers, associate editors, and AIAA staff editors who have been associated with the *Journal of Spacecraft and Rockets (JSR)* in 1995.

I first want to thank the authors who have chosen the JSR as the solution to disseminate their research to the technical aerospace community. I hope that they felt that the peer review process was professional and constructive. The peer review process and the high quality of the AIAA journals would not exist if it were not for the reviewers who voluntarily give of their time and provide in-depth reviews. Although it is only a small token of appreciation, their names are listed in this issue. The associate editors are the centerpieces of this peer review process. They have the responsibility for the technical evaluation of the proposed articles and for maintaining the high quality in the published version. Their biographies are also included in this issue. Unfortunately, I have to say "so long" to a few of them. Alfred Vampola, Earl Thornton, and James Weilmuenster have all

decided to attempt to answer the question, "Can people who are not AIAA Associate Editors enjoy life?" Earl, however, will continue to serve the journal as our new Book Review Editor. It has been a real pleasure to be associated with such dedicated conscientious individuals. JSR can only be better off as a result of their association with it. We finally arrive at the AIAA editorial staff. I first want to extend thanks to Everett Johnson and Jason Peak for their timely processing of the accepted papers. To Jacqueline Dupree, I want to wish her good luck as she moves to other challenging AIAA tasks, but I foremost want to thank her for her patience and understanding in dealing at times with a somewhat disjointed Editor-in-Chief. That task now falls to Saturia Lake, who until recently worked on JSR from the vantage point of our composition vendor. I will be happy to continue working with her as she assumes the Managing Editor position.

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