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## A THANK YOU

During the past nine years that I have been privileged to be the Editor of the *Journal*, there have been essentially no editorials—nor is this one. It is simply an expression of appreciation to those members of the profession who have taken the time to review papers for the *AIChE Journal*. You have set the standards for publication, and I believe that they were properly high.

Some months ago, I became the sole remaining member of the editorial team of nine years ago. That alone is a sufficient reason to complete the turnover process, to bring in the fresh enthusiasm of a new editor. Professor Morton M. Denn who will become the Editor on July 1 has that fresh outlook, and he has a renewed commitment from AIChE to maintain and enhance our research publications.

Ten years ago, editor Bob Reid observed that declining manuscripts was not a way to make friends. Like Bob, I declined over a thousand papers. But I am pleased that our discipline is mature enough that the pain so incurred has been kept largely at the professional level. I am also convinced that our R&D community is highly conscientious and ethical. All of this combines to make the *Journal* a pleasure to edit.

To all who did the managing and production, both in New York and Ann Arbor, my thanks—and to the Editorial Board members who solved the really tough problems.

I earnestly solicit your support in the future to help Mort Denn to continue and improve the AIChE Journal.

Robert H. Kadlec EDITOR

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