LETTER FROM THE EDITOR

I would like to welcome Dr. Joseph Magee as the new assistant editor of the Chemical Information Bulletin (CIB). Joe joined the permanent staff of the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) in Boulder, Colorado in 1986 after completing doctoral studies (Rice University, 1983) and two postdoctorate appointments. Recently, Joe's research efforts at NIST have focused on thermodynamic and transport properties for greener refrigerants, greener solvents, and biologically active proteins. Joe's interests in the area of scientific publishing include appointments as an associate editor of the ACS Journal of Chemical and Engineering Data, as a division representative to the NIST Editorial Review Board, and as a member of the editorial advisory boards for the Thermodynamics Research Center's Tables Project and the Journal of Chemical and Engineering Data. I look forward to working with Joe in making the Bulletin a more interesting and valued publication. Joe can be reached by email at joe.magee@nist.gov.

We have some good news for the CIB subscribers in the United States. At the ACS Spring National Meeting in Atlanta, the CINF Executive Committee approved mailing of CIB to U.S. subscribers to be done by First Class Mail (until now, the issues were mailed by Third Class Mail and they sometimes arrived after the national meetings).

We have also made a decision to do a Survey about the Bulletin, to find out how people are using it and what they would like to see in it in the future. Please help us make CIB a better and more interesting publication by responding to the survey. You can do that by answering the questions found on p. 5 of this issue and mailing the form back to us, or you can fill it out online at www.acscinf.org.

Svetla Baykoucheva, Editor

LETTER FROM THE PUBLICATIONS COMMITTEE

It has been an exciting and busy time this year since I took on the duties as Chair of the Publications Committee. I extend sincere thanks to the wonderful members of the committee who made everything flow smoothly even during the occasional crisis. Special thanks to Svetla Baykoucheva who single-handedly produced her first issue of the Chemical Information Bulletin! The CINF E-News received an ISSN this year. Rick Williams, CINF webmaster, has been busy improving the CINF site.