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FOREWARD

As in the past two years, this Proceedings is intended to supplement the regular editions of the Journal of the Transportation Research Forum. The purpose of this volume is to capture more completely the presentations and papers that did not appear in the Journal. It is also intended to communicate the flavor of discussions which take place at the annual meeting.

The Proceedings for the 1988 Annual Meeting is the first year that certain Forum Panel Sessions were included in the program and, in most cases, recorded. These Forum Sessions were organized by their respective chairpersons and included invited experts to deal with specific issues. In most cases no hard copy was available--thus the need to record the sessions. TRF's ability to add this feature to the 1988 Meeting was made possible as a result of a grant from the UPS Foundation. The edited transcripts from the Forum Sessions are contained in a separate section within this volume.

A word of caution regarding the transcripts of the Forum Sessions. The process of transcribing oral presentations to rough hard copy and then to an edited version for inclusion in this volume was a hazardous process. At a minimum the editing process makes one wonder about the value of adverbs--particularly when trying to conserve space. At any rate, we believe that we have retained the meaning and intent of each presentation through these edited versions. However, readers are encouraged to check directly with the authors before citing material contained in this volume.

The other sections of this volume are the comments of the meeting's keynote and luncheon speakers, and summaries of sessions in which papers were presented. The summaries were made by the chairperson for each session and I want to thank each of them for their efforts in making the 1988 meeting successful. Finally, this volume contains a research paper which had been inadvertently left out of an earlier edition of TRF's Proceedings. TRF apologizes to the authors.

By the time the 1988 Meeting in Toronto rolled around I was impressed at how insignificant my role had become. There are at least two reasons for this. One is that I was supported by a great number of people who probably feared leaving me in charge. I want to express my thanks to those people who kept me on the straight, narrow, and schedule. A listing of their names would duplicate the officer list in TRF's Directory. The second reason goes to the heart of what the annual meeting is, i.e., a meeting for the members conducted by the members of TRF. The success of any TRF meeting depends on authors willing to express ideas and an audience willing to debate. In this regard Toronto was successful, and I want to express my appreciation to all of those authors, reviewers, and panelists who took the risk of participating in the 1988 Meeting. It is a better organization because of you. Finally, I want to express my thanks to Karen Saravaniaval who was a great help in producing this volume.

See you in Williamsburg!

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