

## PREFACE

The success of the first edition of the *Handbook of Sulphuric Acid Manufacturing* has surprised even myself and greatly exceeded my expectations. This success demonstrates that the writing of the handbook was long overdue and that there was a real need for a reference book on the sulphuric acid industry.

The first edition can be found in plants and offices around the world. I have received many positive comments regarding the book. Nothing makes me happier than to hear that someone has found the book useful in solving a problem in the plant or they have learned something that they did not know before about the sulphuric acid industry. If you have found the book useful in the same way, then the intent of me having written and published the book has been satisfied.

The first edition was never meant to be a complete reference book on the subject of sulphuric acid manufacturing, plant design, operations, maintenance, etc. It was always my intent that a second edition would be written which would expand on the material in the first edition and include information on subjects not currently covered in the first edition.

I hope that you get as much out of the second edition as you and others have gotten out of the first edition. As before, the second edition is by no means the final edition of the *Handbook of Sulphuric Acid Manufacturing*.

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