



Full circle

I am really excited to begin as editor-in-chief of the *PCI Journal*. After a career in academia, research and development, consulting, and testing, joining PCI feels like coming full circle. My first job after graduation was at ABAM Engineers—it wasn't BergerABAM in those days. I learned to detail spiral reinforcement around anchorages, helped design a floating prestressed concrete oil exploration structure, and did the legwork for a study of nonmagnetic prestressed concrete. Several projects took me to Concrete Tech, where I got a plant tour from Art Anderson himself. I still remember when he pointed out to me where he'd placed strain gauges to measure long-term deformations in the roof girders.

The *PCI Journal* is unusual in our industry for having such a broad readership. Balancing the sometimes-conflicting tastes and interests of academics, engineers, architects, precasters, suppliers, owners, and the public is challenging. In the coming months, our staff will be working with the Journal Advisory Committee to make the *PCI Journal* more attractive to potential contributors so that we can maintain and maybe even improve the quality of the technical content. We'll also take a look at matters of appearance and style.

Your active participation makes this a journal we can all be proud of, the preferred source of technical information about precast concrete. Do you love (or hate) something that appears in these pages? Tell us how you'd like to see it done next time. Have you agreed to review a manuscript? Give it a thoughtful review in a timely manner so we can publish good papers—and reject bad ones—quickly. Have you done some research, designed a structure, solved a problem at the plant or on the jobsite? Share what you learned with all of us: write about it. As with participation in PCI, the more you put into the *PCI Journal*, the more you get out of it. **■**

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