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A Word from the New Editor

On June 1st, 1999 the Editorial Office of Philosophy of Science moved from San Diego to Bloomington. Thanks to Philip Kitcher and his staff, the transition went smoothly and they left us with just enough articles in the pipeline to complete the issues for 1999. Both Indiana University and the Philosophy of Science Association are kindly providing financial support for the journal and the faculty and students of the Department of History and Philosophy of Science are great sources of information and encouragement.

My main goal is to publish the very best papers in all branches of philosophy of science, continuing a tradition well established by my predecessors—most recently, Philip Kitcher, and before that, Merrilee Salmon and Robert Butts. In a thriving discipline such as ours, it will be a real challenge to provide an outlet for technical work in established specialities as well as philosophical work on new scientific research programs. Philip once told me that in each issue he endeavored to publish something of interest to everyone. I strongly endorse both readings of the quantifiers: we will not only cater to a broad spectrum of philosophical tastes, but also seek out innovative articles that we hope will become must-reads for everyone.

Both the quality and the efficiency of the editorial evaluation process depends crucially on the contributions of the Associate Editors and Editorial Board. Given the resources of the Internet, it is now easier to include philosophers of science from around the world in all aspects of the journal's operation and we hope in this way to increase the international appeal of the publications of the Philosophy of Science Association. The Editorial Assistant, Robert Brosnan, is developing our website in order to make the journal visible to a wider community. We will post there Tables of Contents for forthcoming issues as well as detailed instructions for submitting articles, information about the essay contest for young scholars, and other materials that may be useful to our readers.

With sincere thanks to all those who have supported the journal thus far and a warm invitation to all members of the PSA to become more involved—it is *your* journal!

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