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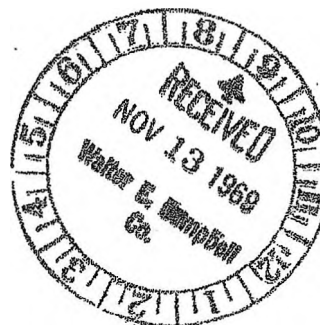
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Dear Mr. Ennis:

This follows your correspondence with Dean Cox concerning "Thermal Insulation" by J. F. Malloy. Dr. Cox has furnished me copies of your letters of September 18 and October 16 to him and his letter of October 2 to you.

Dr. Cox has also given me the privilege of reviewing the book and has asked that I respond to you directly concerning possible uses of it in our instructional program.

Obviously, the book is an excellent reference, and I shall ultimately place the copy you have sent us in our departmental library. In the meantime, I am giving several of our faculty members interested in thermal engineering an opportunity to review the book before it goes into the library, so that they may know about it and so that they can make its availability known to students.

Please let me offer my congratulations to you on having such an important role in the publishing of this book. Certainly it is devoted to one of the more important topics in heat transfer and mechanical engineering, but more than that, it is concerned with something quite important nationally in the conservation of our energy resources. Wise use of thermal insulation is often the exception rather than the usual practice, and I am sure this book will be significant in providing information which will hopefully make many of those who specify and install insulation more aware of the problems they face.

You may be aware that the modern mechanical engineering curriculum at Auburn causes students to assimilate engineering science knowledge at senior level by means of individual and group project and design courses which are required of all students. Students at this level will undoubtedly find many topics of special interest in this book.

Mr. J. P. Ennis

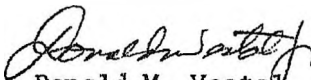
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A specific course in thermal insulation is possible, with this book available. It may be desirable to introduce a technical elective on this subject, after we have learned, through experience with directed reading, design, and project courses, how it may most effectively be taught and what topics should be included. For such a course, the Malloy book would be the text.

Let me thank you again for introducing this book to me and to our faculty. We shall try to make good use of it in our educational program.

Sincerely,


Donald M. Vestal, Jr.
Professor and Head

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cc: Dean J. Grady Cox